

# Green Bay Area Youth Hockey Association Board Meeting Minutes

<b>Date:</b> January 14, 2025	<b>Time:</b> 7: 05 PM – 8:40 PM	<b>Place:</b> Rinkside Room/Cornerstone
<b>Meeting Called By:</b> GBAYHA Board of Directors		<b>Type of Meeting:</b> GBAYHA Monthly Meeting
<b>Meeting Facilitator:</b> Nick Glander		<b>Notetaker:</b> Kelly Losey
<b>Board Attendees:</b>		
Jenny Blodgett* Kelly Losey* Natalie Mitchell Joni Gegare Tori Szkodzinski* Christian Bialk* Dove McDowell Jessie Pondell Nick Maricque* Jessica Kimps* Nicole Smith Nick Glander* Amanda Sargent Nathan Conoley *current term ends April 8, 2025		
<del>Joey Gerarden – Hockey Director Mike Szkodzinski – Cornerstone Rep</del>		
<b>Guest Attendees:</b>		
<b>Meeting Topics</b>		
<b>Topic:</b>	<b>Presenter:</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Call to Order Roll Call	Nick G.	Nick @ 7:05pm
Approve Agenda	Nick G.	1 <sup>st</sup> - Natalie Mitchell 2 <sup>nd</sup> - Tori Szkodzinski All in favor, none opposed.
Approve Prior Meeting Minutes	Nick G.	1 <sup>st</sup> - Natalie Mitchell 2 <sup>nd</sup> - Nicole Smith All in favor, none opposed.
Raffle Ticket Drawing Winners	Nick G.	(4) \$50 winners 1.- \$50 – Sheena Knoespel 2. - \$50 – Cindy Aho 3. - \$50 -Vance Albrecht 4. - \$50 -Kayla Gorman

Presidents Update	Nick G.	<p>Rink 4 Fundraising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plan – Golf Outing – July 11<sup>th</sup>- Mid Vallee Golf Coarse</li> <li>• Committee is being established.</li> <li>• Dibs can people volunteer for Golf Outing and get their Dibs taken care of for this current year 2024-2025 or 2025-2026?</li> <li>• Expect every Board Member to Host a foursome at the event. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Need commitment and participation.</li> <li>○ Save the Date info will be going out within 2 weeks.</li> <li>○ Each team will be asked to donate a raffle basket</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Playdowns are set.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sent to each team coach and Manager. Good Luck.</li> </ul> <p>End of Year Survey.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do we want to do it again? Yes, it seems to allow parents to recap how the year went.</li> <li>• Recommend not being anonymous, put your name &amp; contact info.</li> </ul>
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It is recommended that you have the option to put your name and contact information on the survey.</li> <li>• Do we make it an option to put your name on it.</li> <li>• Should we condense it to be brief? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ What is going well for you &amp; your player?</li> <li>○ Whis is not going well? What do you see as the issue?</li> <li>○ Regarding what is not going well, what suggestions do you have to improve you experience?</li> <li>○ Other comments or questions</li> <li>○ Do the coaches fill out anything at the end of the year, to evaluate the season and how it went for them. Nothing specific to each child but the season as a whole, and how can we as an organization help them improve YOY.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Cornerstone Update	Mike Szkodzinski	<p>Continuing to fundraise.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● \$17.7M has been raised.</li> <li>● \$23M is the Target</li> </ul>
Director of Hockey	Joey Gerarden	<p>Coaching Committee Meeting – Dec. Update</p> <p>Update given by Nick Glander</p> <p>Not much has come out of the December Coaching Meeting</p> <p>Joey is not available tonight.</p> <p>Why wasn't there a coaches meeting held at the beginning of the season? Nick will mention this to Joey.</p>

<p>Agenda Topics</p>	<p>Nick G.</p>	<p><b><u>Committee Updates:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Fundraising – Chair – Dove M.</u></b>  <b><u>Restaurant Nights Schedule –</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Feb - Working on Riverside Pizzeria Feb. 6th</li> <li>● Panera Event - \$85.38</li> <li>● Scott Subs - \$260</li> <li>● Pints with a purpose @ Zambaldi. \$67.00</li> <li>● Feedback: a lot of people didn't know about the fund raiser</li> <li>● Start to enter the Fundraisers on Crossbar at each individual level or have an entire GBAYHA member page on Crossbar.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>50/50 Raffle Events</u></b>  <b><u>Gambler Game</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Jan 25<sup>th</sup> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Staffing set? Yes it is set.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b><u>Rockers Game</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Aug 7<sup>th</sup> – ½ price beer night. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Staffing probably vol. hrs for '25-26 season.</li> <li>○ \$500.00 off the top from Rockers.</li> <li>○ May need 6 people to staff.</li> <li>○ Possible get your volunteer hours before the season even starts for next season.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b><u>Apparel – Nicole</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working on GBAYHA State Bound Shirts. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Limited options – quick turn close Feb 5<sup>th</sup>?</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b><u>Registrars / WAHA – Chair – Natalie M</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coaches / Staff / Locker Room Monitors have been notified if they did not complete their requirements prior to Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>.</li> </ul>
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- Not allowed on ice anymore.

### **Growth Committee**

#### **Girls Liaison – Jessie**

- Try Hockey for Free in November
- 40 kids registered for the main event and 15 girls for the girls event ● Try Hockey for Free – Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>. Possibly looking at moving the date. February 22<sup>nd</sup> may be too late. Looking at the weekend of February 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> – weekend of playdowns
- The average age of boy at Try Hockey for Free 6 years 4 months
- The average age of girls at Try Hockey for Free was 8 years 11 months – How can we get these girls at an earlier age and/or how do we develop them at an older age to get them up to speed.
- Transition from Learn to Play – numbers are coming from Stephanie ● Late Start Program / Pathway
- SNC Program – Jan 19<sup>th</sup> = Titledown Skating & Taco Bar
- Alternative Camps (other than Crazy Eights) – Are there other summer camps we can do to help develop these younger players and replace Crazy Eights since they are not returning.
- How do we as an organization evaluate the kids over the year – do we give them an end of the year report card.
- Jessie will look at a Try Hockey for Free on February 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Nate will look at something to help develop players who are starting late to play hockey.

#### **Boys Liaison – Nate**

- Try Hockey for Free - Next Event?

#### **Development Option – Joni**

- GBAYHA Purchase ice time for open hockey.
  - Not games, just open ice for skating / practice
  - 2 age groups (Mites-Squirrels) and (Peewee to Bantam)
  - Volunteers to Run
  - Nick will have to look into the rules to see how this will run.

### **Home Tournaments**

- Jan 25-26<sup>th</sup> – Bantam (14U Co-ed) B Tournament
- Feb 1-2<sup>nd</sup> – Chaos @ Cornerstone (8U)
- Feb 7-9<sup>th</sup> – PW (12U Co-ed) and SQ (10U Co-ed) C Tournament
- Feb 14-16<sup>th</sup> - Girls Tournament
- Feb 21-23<sup>rd</sup> – PW (12U Co-ed) and SQ (10U Co-ed) B Tournament • Plan to sell beer at the Feb Tournaments (excluding Chaos).
- Waiting for forms back to Boomerang before we can submit.
- Plan to submit by end of next week.
- 15% back from Boomerang if we get it.
- How do we address open shifts at home tournaments?
  - What is the contingency plan?
- Why is there a Hallway Monitor – It was determined to take away the hallway monitors add to more positions for raffle tables, 50/50 etc...

### **Equipment needs**

- Goalie Sticks and Helmets – Jeremiah is working with Tom.

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		<b><u>Chaos Committee</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$1000.00 worth medals purchased. (donated Money)</li> <li>• 9 members who are running the chaos tournament</li> <li>• They have 48 teams registered</li> <li>• How do we make the chaos committee a seamless transition each year. • Maybe they come in front of the board each year November or December meeting and say this is what we want to do and the board approves it or denies it.</li> <li>• Tori will follow up with the committee and will offer some guidance and set some expectations.</li> <li>• Has Chaos asked or need any volunteers for this event. Nicole believes the family of the 8u parents have been asked to volunteer for this.</li> </ul>
Future Topics	Nick G.	Future Considerations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Photos               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ A percentage back to the association</li> <li>◦ Doesn't have to affect the agreement for tournaments</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Jerseys status</li> <li>• Planning for 2025-26 season</li> <li>• Tournament apparel</li> <li>• Sell old jerseys.</li> </ul>
Treasurer's Report	Tori	Concessions kick-back: Nov – \$1,375.72 Dec – \$2,014.96
Closed Session	Nick G.	
Motion to Adjourn		Motion to adjourn at: 8:40pm 1st: Natalie Mitchel 2nd: Jessie Pondell All in favor, none opposed
<b>NEXT BOARD MEETING – TUESDAY – February 11, 2025 – 7PM</b>		

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Committees/Positions	2024-25 Leader Name(s)	Additional Comments
<b>Hockey Operations / Coaching Committee</b>		
Hockey Director	Joey Gerarden	
<b>Fundraising - Chair – Dove McDowell</b>		
GBAYHA Fundraising	Dove McDowell / Kelly Losey	
Tournament Raffle Coordinator	Amanda Aplin Sara Vaessen	
Scripts Coordinator	Melissa Phillips	
Calendar Raffle	Shane Streckenbach / Tami Prucha	Mandi Thiel

50/50 Gambler game	Amanda Aplin Sara Vaessen	
Apparel	Nicole Smith	
<b>Registrars / WAHA Compliance – Chair – Natalie Mitchell</b>		
Registrar	Amanda- Finance Natalie Mitchell- all other things	
Safety Coordinator	Christian Bialk	
Cultural Education Liaison	Natalie Mitchell	
Conduct Committee	Megan (Chair) Mike Kowalczyk Steve Linssen	Megan (Chair) willing to stay on for another year to mentor future Chair.
<b>Growth Committee – Chair - Nathan Conoley</b>		
Youth Girls Growth Liaison	Jessie Pondell	
Youth Boys Growth Liaison	Nathan Conoley	
Cultural Growth	Jessie Pondell, Nathan Conoley, Natalie Mitchel.	
Try Hockey for Free Coordinator	Nathan Conoley	
8U Mites Liaison	Mandi Thiel	
<b>Volunteer Hours Coordinator – Chair – Joni Gegare</b>		
Volunteer Hours / Credits	8U - Abbie Gazella 10U – 14U– Joni Gegare	
Concession Stand	Joni Gegare	
<b>GBAYHA Positions – Chair - OPEN</b>		
Manager & Locker Room Coordinator	Jenny Blodgett	
Goalie Equipment	Jeremiah Muenhow	
Equipment/Jerseys	Amber Bagnat / Kelly Losey	
Tournament Coordinator	Kevin Leigang	