



**CHIPPEWA YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING AGENDA
Wednesday, July 15, 2026
LOCATION: Lobby, at 7pm**

President: Mike Patten
Vice President: Doug Custer
Treasurer: Dom Ryder
Secretary: Rachelle Flater
Directors:
2027 Nick Hart, Derek Darrow, Eric Mueller, Conrad High
2028: Ashly Steinke, Jason Sullivan, Doug Custer, Rachelle Flater
2029: Steve Gibbs, Ryan Hanrahan, Mike Patten, Dom Ryder
Rink Manager: Bob Normand

General Meeting The meeting was called to order by President Mike Patten at **7:01 PM**. Jennifer Lindstrom Present

1. Secretary's Report: the June meeting minutes were approved as presented. No additional report.

2. Treasurer's Report : The Treasurer's Report had been distributed prior to the meeting. The refinance of our association loans has been completed. Thanks to Dom's hard work and dedication, he was able to secure an excellent 5.95% interest rate with Northwestern Bank.

This refinancing will help reduce our interest costs and is another positive step toward strengthening CYHA's financial future.

We also want to recognize Northwestern Bank for being a great partner to our association throughout this process. Their support has meant a great deal to CYHA, and we appreciate everything they have done for us.

Motion: Accept the Treasurer's Report made by Steve Gibbs **Second:** Doug Custer **Motion carried.**

3. Correspondence/Officer Reports No major correspondence to report.

President's Report: Report has been sent, Members please see attachment letter.

4. Old Business

A. Work Nights

- Scheduled for **July 27**- steps are completed, thank you Jason Simpson for completing the steps in locker room D-

B. Lobby Facelift Project

- Sherwin-Williams has been contacted and a meeting is set up to see if what they can do to help us with the paint for the lobby. We will need volunteers to help when we get to that point.

C. NAHL Games

- We have been asked to host 2 NAHL games, we will be given like our contract with the Steel on Concessions and Beer sales, they will pay ice time to the association as well. We will use these as a "bonus fundraiser game" to hopefully generate some more funds at the rink!

Motion: Accept the proposal. **Made by:** Ashly Steinke **Second:** Steve Gibbs **Motion carried.**

D. Squirt Development Model

John Ippel met with WAHA regarding the Squirt Development Model.

- Teams will initially be rostered alphabetically to WAHA
- Tryouts will be held the week before Thanksgiving.
- An amendment to team submitted placement may be submitted before December 31.

Motion: Adopt the Squirt Development Model. **Made by:** Nick Hart **Second:** Ashly Steinke **Motion carried.**

5. New Business-

A. Membership Fees

The Board discussed increasing registration fees due to rising operating costs while maintaining affordability. \$20 if the increase will be applied to put towards tournaments due to the large increase in tournament fees.

Motion: Approve the proposed 2026-2027 registration fees. **Made by:** Doug Custer **Second:** Eric Mueller **Motion carried.**

2026-2027 Registration Fees

2026 - 2027 CYHA Registration	Paid with Registration	1st Installment Paid Dec 15	2nd Installment Paid Jan 15	Full Price
1st Year Skater	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50.00
Mighty Mites/6U Girls	\$ 100.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 160.00
Mites/8U Girls	\$ 150.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 330.00
Squirt/10U Girls	\$ 175.00	\$ 160.00	\$ 160.00	\$ 495.00
PeeWee/12U Girls	\$ 175.00	\$ 160.00	\$ 160.00	\$ 495.00
Bantam/14U Girls	\$ 175.00	\$ 160.00	\$ 160.00	\$ 495.00
Bantam - Eligible Freshman	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 600.00
Fundraising Fee	Paid Oct 31			
Fundraising - Family Fee	\$ 310.00			
Fundraising - Family Fee - Partial	\$ 260.00			
Fundraising - Calendars Only	\$ 150.00			

B. Fundraising Requirement- Discussion

The Board discussed several potential changes to the association's fundraising program for future seasons, including:

- Increasing the calendar fundraiser price to **\$20 per calendar** while maintaining the current seller proceeds.

- Adding the **Beginner** program to the calendar fundraiser requirement, with each beginner family selling **five calendars**.
- Expanding the use of the pizza coupons in the concession stand and at Beerfest.
 - *Note:* Pizza coupons were already used during Beerfest, and the Brewpub donated an additional **12 cases of pizzas** for the event at no cost to the association.
- Exploring a new fundraising model that would include a **required minimum fundraising amount** per family rather than specific fundraiser participation.
- Increasing the **Beerfest member ticket price to \$40**.

Due to time constraints, the Board decided not to continue the discussion during this meeting. Instead, a survey will be sent to the membership to gather feedback on the current fundraising program and potential future changes.

Motion: Keep fundraising requirements the same for the upcoming season. **Made by:** Bob Normand
Seconded by: Steve Gibbs **Motion carried.**

C. Bantam Co-op

Altoona is preparing a proposal outlining available ice time for a potential Bantam co-op.

Discussion was **tabled until the next meeting**.

D. Stick & Puck Sessions

The Board approved offering Stick & Puck sessions for player skill development.

- Cost: **\$10 per skater**
- Sessions will utilize unused ("dead") ice.
- A supervisor/Fee collector, Zamboni operator, must be present.
- Scheduled rentals will take priority and may result in cancellation of stick and puck.
- No assessment hours will be awarded for volunteers.

Motion: Ryan Hanrahan **Second:** Ashly Steinke **Motion carried.**

E. Ice Rental Agreement The Updated Ice Rental Agreement was presented. One change was made of ice time may require a 30% downpayment.

Motion: Approve the agreement. **Made by:** Conrad High **Second:** Doug Custer **Motion carried.**

The DiSalvo Goaltending Agreement was also discussed

F. Emergency Action Plan

- The Emergency Action Plan is currently being finalized.
- Bloodborne pathogen kits have been placed in the first aid kits behind the player benches on both rinks.

6. Finance & Administration (Dom Ryder)

A. Fundraising

Keeping It Cool Capital Campaign

- Nearly all pledged donations have been collected.
- Additional fundraising initiatives will be needed to continue supporting the project.
- Kwik Trip and Festival Foods have each been asked to consider five-year commitments of **\$150,000**.

Bingo

- Current jackpot: **\$1,400**

Golf Outing

Planning continues.

- 80 golfers are currently registered.
- Space remains for 64 additional golfers.
- Jen requested assistance obtaining raffle items.
- Volunteers are also needed to set up raffle tables on **Thursday, August 13**, from approximately **6:00-8:00 PM**. Volunteer shifts are available on Dibs.

Motion to extend the meeting made at 8:29 by Steve Gibbs 2nd Conrad High

Beer Fest- No report.

Advertising Structure

CYHA will resume managing its own rink advertising.

The Board agreed to form a small committee to develop sponsorship opportunities and advertising sales.

Discussion was tabled until the next meeting while Rachelle Flater and Steve Gibbs develop an advertising structure and volunteer plan.

7. Player Development Committee (Nick Hart & Eric Mueller)

- Girls' co-op updates were discussed.
- Registration fees will increase accordingly.
- Continued discussion regarding a Bantam co-op with Altoona.

8. Concessions (Conrad High) No additional report beyond the submitted report.

9. Equipment (Ryan Hanrahan)

- We received 20 new sets of skates for GOAL and received 10-15 sets for rentals through the equipment drive.
- Thank you, Matt Newman, for building the new racks in the pro shop for organizing.

- We will be looking for at least one new pro shop equipment committee member to help in the pro-shop.
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10. Operations & Maintenance (Derek Darrow)

If you are already a certified Zamboni driver, please look at the summer ice maintenance schedule and sign up for available shifts. We are currently struggling to keep the ice maintained this summer and could really use your help.

11. Tournaments / Team Representatives (Ashly Steinke)

- Hockey Day planning continues.
 - Tournament proposals have been submitted.
 - The Board agreed to discontinue the Bloody Mary Bar during youth tournaments and instead focus on family-friendly offerings.
 - The tournament committee held its first planning meeting.
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12. Recruitment & Publicity (Jason Sullivan)

- Planning for participation in the community parade continues
 - We will be looking for some supplies please watch emails for those items.
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13. Facilities (Bob Normand) report has been sent

Motion to adjourn the regular meeting: Doug Custer **Second:** Nick Hart **Meeting adjourned at 9:17 PM.**

Closed Session The Board entered Closed Session at **9:17 PM. Motion to adjourn Closed Session:** 9:30 PM.