



3800 Sunner Ave PO Box 10 Spirit Lake IA 51360

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 8/20/2025

Time: 600PM

Location: Elite Health & Wellness

Call to Order at 602pm

- **In attendance-**

Board Members: Michael Meyers, Ben Raveling, Dan Menough, Allison Worrell, Cassidy Howard, Mark Maeyaert, Greg Stafford, Kristin Hansen

Other Leadership: Brett Hetland, High School Coach

Guests:

Introduction and Open Discussion

1. Approval of Agenda and Request to Add Items

- a. Skate purchase from Hockey Headquarters. Add to New Business

Greg motions to approve the agenda and Mark seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

2. Reports

- a. Secretary

Mark motions to approve previous month minutes and Kristin seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

- b. Treasurer

- Zamboni is paid for.
- Solar is banking 8-10 thousand per month right now. Should have around 30 thousand by the time we turn the chiller on.
- Need policy for spending with out board approval in the future?

- c. President

- Premier Communications will be onsite Sept 9 at 9am. We are the last business still on IGL internet.
 - Package cost: \$150 per month
 - Rent router and other equipment: \$10 per month
 - Plan can be lowered during the off season
 - What is the coverage for the building?
 - Possibly need to move the boxes due to the new locker room.
 - Commercial phone line also available: \$40 per month
- Met with Tanya Thaemlitz for advertising.
- Met with a parent.
- Donar meeting
 - David and Jane Offult-Omaha Community Foundation
 - \$10,000 donation towards scholarship fund.
 - Put into an account that will gain interest?
 - Michael will reach out to Sharon regarding this.
 - Met with the Offult's at the rink during youth roller hockey.

- d. Hockey Director
 - Not present. Report sent.
- e. SafeSport
 - Nothing to Report
- f. Growth
 - Social Media push for registration will go out.
 - Add Advertising for hockey to the lobby somehow?
 - Still working on stencil project
 - Fall Fest (Camp Foster) will be coming up. Will need help!
 - Kiwanis presentation Oct 16 or Oct 23
 - Bring Maddie along to talk about Figure Skating?
 - High School players?
 - Michael would like to find someone to take over growth.
- g. Figure Skating
 - Registration will go live in November
 - Met with Brad to discuss ice times
 - Sunday 515-615
 - Wednesday 615-7
- h. High School Team
 - Golf Tournament Recap
 - Well organized by committee
 - Silent Auction items added this year.
 - Tournament:
 - \$21,536
 - \$3555 expenses
 - \$18,081 net
 - Food cost were a little higher, but will have left overs for multiple team meals.
 - Budget
 - Official cost is up \$5000
 - Possible other ways to raise money.
 - Midwest League
 - Home opener: Oct 25
 - Team Midwest
 - Brayden Garven on team. Headed to Coon Rapids.
 - Pre-season fitness testing: September
 - Parent/Player meetings: September
 - Roller Hockey still on going. Will wind down in the next few weeks once floor is ready to be cleaned.
 - Helmet and Glove Program
 - Sponsors are secured. Payment made from one, waiting on funds from the second.
 - Can they move forward with the purchase since they are returning sponsors and orders need to be placed to be delivered in time for the season.

Allison motions to approve purchase of needed helmets and gloves and Ben seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

 - Hockey Fights Cancer
 - Many teams in the league have a cancer night to raise awareness.
 - 3-4 people to be on committee to plan. Coach Dan H to be HS team contact.
 - More to come on this.

3. Old Business

a. Construction Updates

- Locker Room
 - Currently as is: Cost is around \$15,600. There are possible donations coming in for the project.
 - Do we want to finish the walls and do electrical? Have around \$15,000. Do what needs to be done but keep at \$15,000.
 - Long Term goal: lockers along the wall.
 - Plywood vs Glassboard for the walls
 - Glassboard will have longer life, but add around \$2000. **Yes go with glassboard.**
 - Electrical needs to be done
- Press Box
 - Glass needed to enclose
 - Can not be residential glass.
- Players Entrance
 - Will start 8/21
- Board Cleaning
 - 8/23
- Internet boxes in back corner will need to be moved with walls going up.
- Mirrors in bathrooms going in all bathrooms
 - New soap dispensers
- Carpet and Painting
 - Painting will be done 8/25-8/26
 - Need to move things to the center and wipe down baseboards.
 - Carpet will go in shortly after.
- Zamboni door needs fixed.

b. Scholarship Requests

- 4 requests
 - Only 3 applications
 - 1 expressed interest during registration.
- New application used with the old process
- Ran through scoring process after to see where they sat.
- Look at scoring process to use in the upcoming years.
 - Review applications without names in the future.
 - There is an Iowa based hockey scholarship fund. Possibly make it a requirement to apply to this also in the future.

Cassidy motions to approve as recommended and Mark seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

4. New Business

a. High School Budget

- How many player will actually register? This will effect the budget.
- Volunteer Buyout on budget. Should this money go to LAHA?
 - What is the High School Volunteer requirement? Same as youth.
- Coach wage increases
 - \$100 each coach
 - In future should written notice be given to the board requesting this?
 - Are High School coaches considered employees of LAHA?
 - Process for the future.

Ben motions to approve the high school budget and Cassidy seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

b. Advertising Appointment

- Tanya Thaemlitz has met with Brad and Michael and is willing to take this on.

Allison motions to approve and Greg seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

c. Chiller Turn on Date and Ice Install

- Date: 9/10 or a day or two before
- Need someone to check the chiller. S&P stated last season they would like us to find someone else to take care of the chiller.
 - Mark to check with Brandon Valley for contacts
- Floor Cleaning needs done

d. Board Maintenance

- Mark went and assessed needs.
 - Fasteners need tightened and some need replaced.
 - Kick plate replacement: 12-15 are needed. Estimate \$240 total for project
 - Zamboni Door Glass
 - 4 pieces needed to raise the height of the door.
 - Glass: \$1300
 - Supports: \$340
 - Gaskets: \$64

Allison motions to approve the board maintenance at a \$2500 budget and Cassidy seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

e. Open Skate Staff

- Ethan moved and will not return this season.
- Start advertising now.
 - Michael will work on this.

f. No Pay No Play Policy

- If you have outstanding dues/payments, no ice time. Can have arrangement made with LAHA.
- What is the HD role in this?
- Table until September when Brad is present.

g. Fall Goalie Sessions

- Appoint Drew Hagge as LAHA Goalie Coach at Volunteer Status.
- Fall sessions
- Will work with each team during the season practices.

Greg motions to approve appointment of Drew and fall goalie sessions and Ben seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

h. Updated Crossbar Policy

- Figure Skating Director → Full access
- Should VP have same access as President? **YES.**

Greg motions to approve full access for FS Director and VP and Mark seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

i. Stampede Boji Night

- Options of 10/4 or 10/18

Allison motions to approve 10/18 and Mark seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

j. Try Hockey For Free Dates

- Oct 12 or Dec 14 or both?

Cassidy motions to approve both dates and Ben seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

k. Skates from Hockey Headquarters.

- What do we do with them? We should wait to see what needs are before selling.
- Table for later.

Adjourn at 858PM

Allison motions to adjourn and Dan seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

Next meeting 9/3/2025 530pm at LAHA

Respectfully Submitted,
Allison Worrell
LAHA Secretary

Board Approved: 9/3/2025AW