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Emily Driskill, Scheduler
Faith Glover, Tournament Director

GHA Board Meeting Wednesday, August 20, 2025, 6:00 pm L and H Industrial Conference Room

1. Meeting Called to Order

2. Roll Call:

Board of Directors:

Y Jason Percifield, President

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Y Maggie Sigman, Equipment Director

Non-Voting Members:

Y Ethan Hayes, Hockey Director

Y Alex Stimson, SafeSport Coordinator

N_Fred Neugebauer, CCPRD Rink Manager

3. Approval of Agenda & Minutes

- 3.1 GHA Regular Meeting August 20, 2025 Agenda
- 3.2 GHA Regular Meeting July 16, 2025 Minutes
 - (a) Motion to approve Agenda and Minutes by Jason Percifield second by Mark Bruce, all ayes, motion carried.

4. Public Comment

4.1 Kena Loony - Den Discussion

Kena stated the Den only made money at state. She also stated the Den is not feasible to have open at HS and Girls practices. These age groups do not have parents that attend practice, therefore, no traffic in the store. There is also no help from the organizations parents and she cannot run the whole thing by herself. Kena suggested contracting out the store to make gear with a possible negotiated donation back to GHA. She also mentioned doing a big sale to help get rid of current inventory should GHA not continue with the Den. Emily Driskill stated the Rec Center wants the current location of the Den to be for public use with an hourly rate.

5. Old Business

5.1

6. Reports:

6.1 <u>President's Report</u>:

- (a) The Den Jason Percifield stated that GHA is only pursuing one State Tournament this year. Jason suggested doing a one year contract with GHA selling current inventory, but keeping all the equipment. He also said the one year contract would cover the sales at our hosted State Tournament. Karson Kellebrew said we should make sure our logo is only sold to/for GHA. Jason Percifield made a motion to dissolve the Den for one year and find 3 qualified vendors to operate for that year. Vendors do not necessarily have to be the cheapest, but the most qualified. Emily Driskill seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Kena Loony will head the inventory sale night and help gather qualified vendors.
- (b) 10u half-ice I still need to follow up with Sheridan, Casper, Riverton and Douglas.

Jason Percifield will continue talking to other half ice organizations to see if Jamboree weekends are an option.

6.2 VP/Fundraising Report:

(a) In-ice/dasher update

Mark Bruce said Rick Eiland got the last of the logos in. Ice was going in Spirit Hall on Aug. 22. All 13 in ice logos sold, still working on remaining dashers.

6.3 Scheduler's Report:

a) Proposed practice schedule

Schedule options 25–26

Emily Driskill proposed multiple options for 25-26 season. Much discussion was had about times for age groups and who fit best at what times. The Final 25-26 practice schedule is as follows:

FINAL Practice schedule GHA 25-26.pdf

b) Concussion Baseline Testing

Dan Clouston with GPT will set up two possible dates for baseline testing. Concussion testing is not mandatory, but strongly suggested. 14U and up should be tested every other year and all other age groups are optional.

Testing dates are:

Thursday September 10, 5pm - 8pm at Spirit Hall Saturday September 13, 10am - 1pm at Gillette Physical Therapy c) September Practice - now that Fred doesn't have the budget for skills sessions.

Jason Percifield said GHA will do drop in hockey nights. Ethan Hays and Emily Driskill will put together a schedule.

Schedule starts September 9 as follow:

Tuesday and Thursday

10U/12U/Girls 5:15-6:15

14U/ HS 6:30-7:30

6.4 <u>Hockey Director's Report</u>:

- (a) Coaching Interest
- (b) 6/8u a lot of interest, but no definite coaches yet
- (c) 10u Ryan Mussel and Logan Tomer
- (d) 12u Chris Buness
- (e) 14u Rick Eiland and Caleb Pettigrew
- (f) JV No coaches yet JP Johnson and Ethan Hays still discussing
- (g) Varsity JP Johnson, Josh Tays and one more assistant
- (h) Girls Kayla, Olivia, McKenzie and Alex

Ethan Hays also states he would like all goalies to attend the Goal Robber camp at Spirit Hall 9/5 to 9/7. He said scholarships are available and that they needed 16 to have the camp, but only 10 goalies were signed up. Ethan Hays gave Emily Driskill that camp info and she posted it on Facebook.

6.5 Treasurer's Report

- (a) Status of accounts –
- (b) General Account Balance \$123,834.67
- (c) Merchandise Account Balance \$5,000.00
- (d) Money Market Account Balance \$32,060.90
- (e) Investment Account Balance \$219,367.48
- (f) 6 month CD Balance \$100,000.00
- (g) Treasurer's Report
 - 1. Bills to Pay
 - 2. Revenue and Deposits

Angela Koloski said pucks and jersey orders to date have been paid for. We will have to talk about what to do with 6 month CD as maturity date approaches.

6.6 <u>Secretary's Report</u>:

- (a) Hardship Application to be moved to executive session.
- (b)

6.7 <u>Registrar's Report</u>:

- (a) Sports Expo is cancelled.
- (b) Current registration is at 128.
 - 1. Girls: 10
 - 2. 18U: 28
 - 3. 14U: 21
 - 4. 12U: 25
 - 5. 10U: 22
 - 6. 6U/8U: 22
 - 7. I show 11 new members to GHA. We had 10 graduated seniors last year. I show a potential of 41 unregistered members at this time, that is after removing for sure kids that don't plan to play this season. I emailed out my google doc and if you see a member you know not registered, talk to them please.
- (c) Would the board be interested in spending a little money on Facebook to share our posts and get the word out about registration. Cost is about \$10-\$20/day depending on the level. I would like to run it for about a week and spending \$100-150 on advertisement. Any other advertisement interests? Could Emily possibly help if we make a flyer to get out to the schools?

Jason Percifield said yes to spending money on Facebook advertising.

- (d) Board Roster:
 - 1. Heather missing background check
 - 2. Ethan missing USA Hockey number and can check what else is needing done for the season.
- (e) Getting to be that time of year that coaches and volunteers need to start getting this stuff done. I would really like to have all coaches USA Hockey stuff done before they get on the ice. Need list of potential coaches.

6.8 <u>Referee-in-Chief's Report</u>:

(a) Recruiting

Karson Kellebrew mentioned he has no kids playing in GHA this year. He was questioning what the By-laws say about a board member serving with no kids playing. He said he is more than willing to serve his term.

Karson Kellebrew is getting in contact with potential refs.

6.9 <u>Tournament Director's Report</u>

(a) 3v3 Halloween Havoc

Faith Glover said Halloween Havoc dates are set for October 4 and 5. This date does not conflict with any other association. Faith Glover would like the tournament to cover ages 8U to 18U.

(b) State

Jason Percifield said GHA will apply for 14U A&B as well as Girls state. Faith Glover will start checking on hotel blocks for those weekends.

6.10 Equipment Manager's Report

(a) Equipment purchased

Maggie Sigman said she has purchased 500 pucks and her first jersey order has been placed. Emily Driskill made a Facebook post on behalf of Maggie saying Jersey orders need to be in by August 31 which was also the registration deadline.

(b) Shelving for RP

Jason Percifield said he would look at the storage situation at Rock Pile to see what can be done to make more room.

7.11 <u>SafeSport Coordinator's Report:</u>

(a) Disciplinary Board

Alex Stimson said he still needs to more alternates for the GHA Safesport Board. He is waiting to hear back from what would be the 3rd board member. Alex Stimson is looking at implementing a colored lanyard system for people who have passed a background check and Safesport. This way people would know they are approved to be locker room monitors.

7. New Business

- 7.1 Practices during holiday break future discussion
- 7.2 Sports expo future discussion Expo was cancelled, will deleted from agenda
- 7.3 Ref shadowing in budget future discussion
- 7.4 Hardship limits future discussion
- 7.5 Start 6/8u after Thanksgiving future discussion Start November 1st, one day a week at Rock Pile
- 7.6 GHA practice to start 9-29-25 future discussion

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7.7 10u half-ice - future discussion

8. Executive Session:

- 8.1 Motion to executive session by Jason Percifield, second by Mark Bruce, all ayes motion carried. 7:50pm
- 8.2 Motion back to regular meeting by Jason Percifield, second by Mark Bruce, all ayes motion carried.

9. Meeting Adjourned

Unanimous Consent to adjourn meeting 8:24 PM

Next board meeting: September 17, 2025 6:00 p.m. L and H Industrial Conference Room