



## GLACIER HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Date: Feb 12, 2025

Time: 6:00 PM Mountain Time – came to order 6:05 pm

Location: Montana Creative, Whitefish, MT

**Attendance:** Amanda Hayes - Interim Director; Jesse Rigler - President; Matt Schwartz – Vice President; Heather Vezane – Treasurer; Brittney Crest via zoom – Secretary; Matt Lawrance – Girls Programming; Cristinna Gebbia – HDC; ~~Susie Kalgren~~ – Community Outreach; Derek Peachey – Fundraising; Roger Rudd - Disciplinary

**A. Public Comment:** Felicia Fox: Raised concerns about the culture of GHA, specifically parents speaking behind backs and creating a hostile environment. She called for action from the Board to address those voices.

**B. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:** [GHA Board Minutes](#) (Jan 15, 2024)  
Motioned by Heather and seconded by Cristinna.

### C. Business:

Old: Merger - A merger with FVHA is not on the table at this time. However, the presidents from each organization continue to have conversations as to how GHA and FVHA can work together to provide hockey to the valley.

New: none

### D. Directors Report:

- EKL - GHA has tabled a discussion for next meeting to evaluate the EKL and how it works for GHA programming.
- MAHA - the annual meeting has been set for May 31 in Helena.
- Ice Review - Amanda and Steve Fox have broken down ice costs per team per practice. This data will be used to help set team costs for registration next season.
  - It was found that GHA has over-scheduled ice time and Amanda is reaching out to several teams to see if we could release some practice times.
- Summer Ice/camps - Amanda has reserved times and is looking into a GHA-run camp.
- 19U Player refund - Board approved a full refund for the player, minus the costs for the tiering banner tournament.



- Survey responses - The mid-year survey was sent out with the newsletter. At this time, there have not been many responses.
- End of Season parties - Amanda will work with team managers to come up with an ice time for each team.
- Tournament expenses for EKL teams - Board approved the use of registration funds, slated for EKL games, to be used for paying for ONE team tournament instead. These extra funds came because of the lower than expected EKL games offered.
- Fusion junior coaches - Charles is grateful for the help for Learn to Play.
- Newsletter - Amanda is working on getting caught up.
- Website - Amanda will be updating the website over the next few weeks.

#### **E. Committee Reports:**

- Executive
  - Term limit discussion - The board is aware that during the last round of new board members, it was not designated how long each term would be, thus all 6 new members started a three year term at the same time. The board is working on a process to ensure this doesn't happen again.
  - Board Elections - Brittney presented a written document with a proposed addendum allowing general members to have the power to elect the new board members. The process has now been started per the bylaws and will be shared with the public in accordance with the bylaws.
  - Hockey Development Committee - The board is looking to add members to this committee and will be reaching out to those with excellent hockey backgrounds to help create the framework for our programming.
  - Hockey Director job description - Jesse will send via email to get approval before posting.
- Disciplinary - none
- Community Outreach/Marketing - none
- Fundraising - GHA will be hosting an Ice Gala this summer to use as a celebration of the season. GHA will look to have title sponsors. Shannon Christensen and Cassie Furda will be spearheading this event.
- Tournaments - none
- Hockey Development -
  - They created a process for coaches to do spring evaluations on their players. This will be used as a measure of growth as well as a player profile to utilize as well for the fall team selections.



- They are also clarifying the coaching selection process to ensure earlier choices to give coaches a better heads up before the season begins.
- Spring teams - They will look at getting a spring team 'roadmap' to provide assistance to GHA coaches who want to offer this added opportunity.
- Girls Hockey - none

#### **F. Treasurer/Financial Report:**

Amanda discovered that expenses had been incorrectly entered into Quickbooks, as such, it has been a ton of hours put towards correcting the mistakes. Kathryn Kelly, Cristinna Gebbia and Heather Vezane have all been helping.

**Balance Sheet:** Not complete, still updating

**P&L Report:** [December 2024 P & L](#)  
[January 2025 P & L](#)

Meeting Adjourned at: 9:29pm

Next Meeting(s): Mar 12, 2025 6:00pm

Apr 9, 2025 6:00pm

May 7, 2025 6:00pm