CCJHA Board of Directors September 2025 Meeting Minutes
September 10, 2025

Joe Zerbst, President
Jeff Peltier, Vice President
Dustin Armbruster, Treasurer
JoLynn Pietila, Secretary

Call to order: 6:30 pm

Present: Joe Zerbst, JoLynn Pietila, Dustin Armbruster, Ryan Bennett, Calvin Larson, Amy Blake, Jeff Peltier, Jeff Baril, Jennifer Capello, Mark Hendrickson, Ryan Galerneau, Rudy Gemignani, Stacy Bussiere

Absent: Jason Swain and Colleen Mayra

Guests and Public Comments

- None present

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve last month's meeting minutes was made by Dusty Armbruster, seconded by Rudy Gemignani; the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Balances:

Board Balance: $216,622.07; QB: $216,500.07

Referee Balance: $533.31

Markham/Kero Savings: $5,056.51

Bills Paid:

- Assignr: $360
- Center Ice Gift Cards: $600
- Coaching reimbursement: $82
- Intuit Quickbooks: $38

Bills Outstanding:

- None

Donations / Payments:

- Anonymous donation of $2500 to be used to help kids get on the ice (will be added to scholarship money)
- Wiitanen & McLean Youth Hockey Fund: $3,000 grant money to support officials

To-Do:

- Continue work on sponsors (see attachment 1 below)

Notes:

A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented was made by Jenn Capello; Jeff Peltier seconded; the motion carried.

An oral VOTE was cast to accept the treasurer's report: all present voted Yay, zero nays or abstentions

Program Director Report

- The requirement to have a minimum of 2 house teams for each age group was not found in the handbook.

- Ice will not be available at the HoCo until 9/22 and at the Dee around the middle of October

- Practicing on Saturdays and Sundays consistently this season may need to happen to fill ice time blocks

- The draft for house teams should occur no later than 10/13–Division coordinators dictate needs for evaluation

- Old Timers Tournament tentatively scheduled for March 12-15, 2026, so hockey Saturday may possibly be on March 7, 2026

- The association desires to schedule a checking/competitive contact clinic for CCJHA players
    - Older coaches will be asked to help out in running this
    - Need to find a date that works

- An Earn Your Stripes North Event will be on September 20th at the HoCo
    - There will be games throughout the day and any registered 10U skaters can play
    - All referees, new and old, are encouraged to come as there will be instruction for all
    - There should be money from the grant that we received to pay for the clinic, making it free for participants
    - They will need their USA Hockey number to participate
    - Volunteers are needed to keep the score and clock

- As of right now, nobody has approached the board about wanting to coach a midget team

- No travel teams want to join the NIHL per the coaches' decisions

- The topic of CUP league participation in ages other than 14U was discussed. It gives the house teams a few more options to play different teams.

A motion was made to approve 12UB teams (14UB has already been in the CUP League from past years) to join the CUP League for the 2025-2026 season by Ryan Bennett; seconded by Ryan Galerneau. The motion passed.

An oral VOTE was cast to approve 12UB teams joining the CUP League: all present voted YAY, zero nays, zero abstentions.

Coaching Director Report

- There is a spreadsheet of current coaches registered and what is still required for some. (See attachment 2 below).

- There is a request to move up a 6U player to 8U. The request was made by both past and present division coordinators.

A motion to approve the move up of Gavin Rouleau to 8U was made by Jenn Capello; seconded by Rudy Gemignani. The motion passed.

An oral VOTE was cast to approve the move up to 8U for Gavin Rouleau: all present voted YAY, zero nays, zero abstentions.

- Rudy Gemignani has offered to do all modules to help with goalie coaching at all age levels

Pending the proper certification, a motion was made to approve all coaches listed (see attachment below), plus the addition of Scott Blake, Mike Beutler and Lee Mayra by Jeff Peltier; seconded by Mark Hendrickson. The motion passed.

An oral VOTE was made to approve all coaches listed (with the addition of Scott Blake, Mike Beutler and Lee Mayra) for the 2025-2026 season: all present voted YAY, zero nays, zero abstentions.

Equipment Manager Report

- There was a good turnout for the goalie training
- It has been discovered that the 8U goalie equipment has not been aired out properly and mold was found in multiple sets
    - 3-5 more sets of chest protectors and pads are needed
    - Rudy will work on getting quotes together for what is needed and present at next month's meeting

Officials Report

- Jason has been working with Amy on the Earn Your Stripes Clinic

Registrar/Safe Sport Report

- The incentives for early registration seemed to work good
- There are still a handful of travel players that need to register before practice begins
- The 12UA team currently has 11 skaters registered. This meets the minimum number of players needed to house a team, per the CCJHA Handbook
- Every team needs a Head Coach, Assistant Coach, Team Manager and Locker Room monitors listed and credentialed

Booster Club Report

- An awards night is planned for September 24th at 6pm at the Houghton High School. This will also be used as a kickoff for the new season and a chance for information to be relayed to parents for the year
    - Reminders need to be sent out to last year's coaches

Finance Committee Report

- There was discussion about special circumstances and registration costs. Due to injuries, etc.
    - Per the CCJHA Handbook, "Injury or illness that results in the player being unable to play for the remainder of the season. Refunds will be pro-rated based on ice time utilized."

Due to time, a discussion about local players being rostered and playing outside of the area (in particular, girls who don't have a local team to join in their age division), but wanting to get on the ice with the CCJHA was tabled until next month's meeting when registration numbers will be more set as well.

A request for a goalie to be added to the 19U girls team, in case of emergency, was also tabled to next month.

- Work is being done on the Copper Shores Community Health Foundation grant for on and off-ice equipment

- CCJHA Scholarships: 3 applications as of 9/10; the deadline is 10/1/25 so spread the word
    - A committee is needed to review and award the money to recipients after 10/1
    - Mark Hendrickson will help head this committee

- Travel jerseys have been ordered and 6U mock-ups are being built

- The number of 8U teams will be based on registration numbers
    - Hancock Fire will remain a sponsor

- MTU needs helpers to usher over Thanksgiving Break; whichever team(s) volunteer to do will get paid

- Helmet logos–Calvin will work on getting some fonts to look at to help build the new brand

Tournament Director Report

- No teams have registered for the November Gale tournament that we had hoped to host the weekend of October 31–November 2nd

- Brainstorming on how or what to do in place of this fundraiser
    - Possibly a golf tournament in early spring/summer?

Travel Committee Report

- Nothing to report

Webmaster Report

- Nothing to report.

Sportsmanship & Behavior

- Nothing to report.

Coaching Committee

- Nothing to report

Fundraising Committee

- Jenn Capello needs a date, time and location for the drawing to be able to proceed with organizing the raffle fundraiser
    - There are varying opinions on the requirements per skater/family on how many would be required to sell/buy

Old Business

- MAHA Revisions to CCJHA Bylaws Revised Draft
    - The latest version was sent to MAHA with the affiliation agreement for 24/25; Al Wakeham said they would be reviewed this winter by the MAHA bylaws committee.

New Business

- Will need to look into and pick a date for a Learn to Skate ice time (possibly 11/1?)
- Jeff Baril proposed the purchase of an additional tool for all coaches at all age levels to use for practice planning, etc.
    - Ice Hockey Systems
    - The cost depends on how many you buy

A motion to purchase one account/signup per team was made by Amy Blake; seconded by Jenn Capello. The motion passed.

An oral VOTE was cast to approve the purchase of Ice Hockey Systems to be used by coaches for each team: all present voted YAY, zero nays, zero abstentions.

- The next CCJHA BOD monthly meeting is scheduled for **October 8, 2025** at 6:30 pm in the Dave Wiitanen room at the HoCo.

Adjournment

- A motion to adjourn was made by Calvin Larson, seconded by Jeff Peltier. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:18 pm.

Minutes submitted by J. Pietila, Secretary

ATTACHMENT 1: SPONSOR LIST

DIVISION/SPONSOR	Contact	Email	Phone #	CURRENT STATUS
HOUSE LEAGUE				
10U				
Dollar Bay Linoleum and Tile	Travis Banfield	travisdblt@att.net	906-482-5700	SPONSORSHIP RECEIVED
McDonalds	Tim Wilson	tim.wilson@partners.mcd.com		SPONSORSHIP RECEIVED
12U				
Auto Pro Glass and Tire	Mike Faria	mike@autoproglass.com		SPONSORSHIP RECEIVED. WILLING TO MOVE TO 10U
UP Ward Orthodontics	Darin Ward	dward@upwardortho.com	972-961-6248	SPONSORSHIP RECEIVED. WILLING TO MOVE TO 10U
M&M Powersports	Chad	chad@mmpowersports.com	906-250-0066	SPONSORSHIP RECEIVED
14U				
AFM	Eric Stier	eric.stier@afmforest.com	906-369-4772	SPONSORSHIP RECEIVED
Tervo Agency	Jeff Mikesch	jeff@tervoagency.com		SPONSORSHIP RECEIVED
TRAVEL TEAMS				
10U A				
Fine Line Tire	General Email	finelinetire@gmail.com		SPONSORSHIP RECEIVED
10U AA				
J. Peltier Construction	Jeff Peltier	jeff@jpeltierconstruction.com		SPONSORSHIP RECEIVED
12U A				
Sarazin Dental	Tyler Sarazin	tasdds@sarazindental.com		SPONSORSHIP RECEIVED
12U AA				
Pat's Food	Kim Campioni	campionik@yahoo.com		invoice sent
14 U AA (minor)				
Wildwood Coating	Isaiah Bekkala	isaiah@wildwoodcoating.com		invoice sent
14U AA (major)				
G&J Site Solutions	Geoff Cutsy	gcutsy@gjsitesolutions.com		invoice sent
Midget				
unknown	unknown	unknown		
GIRLS TEAMS				

19U				
Harter Auto Supply	Jamie Harter	jharter@pasty.net	906-337-3802	SPONSORSHIP RECEIVED
10U				
Mineshaft Sportsplex	Jackie Horsell	jahorsell@moyleusa.com	906-483-7930	SPONSORSHIP RECEIVED
Division Sponsors				
8U				
Keweenaw Chevrolet	Brandon Schlief	NO CONTACT INFO		HAVEN'T CONTACTED
JV				
unknown	unknown	unknown		

ATTACHMENT 2: COACH LIST

SEASON	as of: 05-SEPTEMBER-2025	BOARD	CCJHA	CEP CERT		SAFESPORT	BG SCREEN							CREDITS	NOTES
STATUS	COACH	STATUS	REG	NEEDS TO OBTAIN			STATUS	CFD	8U	10U	12U	14U	18U	DUE	
READY	PATRICK ALDRICH	YES	☑	4*	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-15-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	5	18U
READY	CARL ARKO	YES	☑	4*	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-18-2026	DUE: 2026-27	☐	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	5	18U
READY	DOUG BORDEAU	YES	☑	4*	DUE: 12-31-20**	DUE: 08-21-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	0	19U GIRLS (AC)
READY	ZACH BUSTOS	YES	☑	1	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-27-2026	DUE: 2026-27	☑	☑	☐	☐	☐	☐	0	8U
READY	RYAN DEFORGE	YES	☑	4*	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 04-15-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	3	
READY	DARON DUROCHER	YES	☑	4*	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-20-2026	DUE: 2026-27	☐	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	5	18U
READY	BRADY FLACHS	YES	☑	5	DUE: 12-31-2028	DUE: 08-15-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	0	18U, 10U
READY	JONATHAN FRENCH	YES	☑	4	DUE: 12-31-2099	DUE: 05-21-2026	DUE: 2026-27	☐	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	0	14U
READY	TRAVIS HANSON	YES	☑	4	DUE: 12-31-2027	DUE: 08-21-2026	DUE: 2026-27	☐	☑	☑	☑	☐	☐	0	10UA (AC) 12U GIRLS (HC)
READY	MATT HELMINEN	YES	☑	4*	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-30-2026	DUE: 2026-27	☐	☑	☑	☑	☑	☐	5	14UAA (AC)
READY	BRUCE HELTUNEN	YES	☑	4*	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-17-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☑	☑	☑	☐	☐	5	10U
READY	MARK HENDRICKSON	YES	☑	1	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 06-20-2026	DUE: 2026-27	☐	☑	☐	☐	☐	☐	0	8U (HC)
READY	DAVE JUKURI	YES	☑	4*	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-25-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	5	
READY	DAN JUOPPERI	YES	☑	4	DUE: 12-31-2026	DUE: 08-14-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	0	14UAA (HC)
READY	ADAM KERRY	YES	☑	4	DUE: 12/31/20**	DUE: 08-29-2026	DUE: 2026-27	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	0	14UAA (AC)
READY	JOSEPH MAILLETTE	YES	☐	4*	EH: 12-31-2025	DUE: 07-30-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	2	12UA (HC)
READY	JAMEY MARKHAM	YES	☑	4*	DUE: 12-31-2099	DUE: 09-03-2026	DUE: 2026-27	☐	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	5	14UA (HC)
READY	RYAN MARKHAM	YES	☑	4*	EH: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-24-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	5	14UAA (AC)
READY	MATT MATTILA	YES	☑	4	DUE: 12-31-2026	DUE: 08-27-2026	DUE: 2026-27	☐	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	0	18U (AC)
READY	JOHN PIETILA	YES	☑	4	DUE: 12-31-2026	DUE: 06-02-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☑	☑	☑	☐	☑	0	12UAA (HC)
READY	KALEB PREISS	YES	☑	4	EH: 12-31-2025	DUE: 07-18-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☐	☑	☑	☑	☑	0	12UA (Credits complete)
READY	ROSS RINKINEN	YES	☑	4*	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-01-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	5	18U (HC)
OKAY UNTIL CEP DUE (12-15-2026)															
CEP L1	SHANE ANDERSON	PEND	☑	1	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-20-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☑	☐	☐	☐	☐	0	8U
CEP L1	JOSEPH BIANUCCI	NO	☑	1	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 09-01-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☑	☐	☐	☐	☐	0	8U
CEP L3	JEFF BARIL	YES	☑	3	EH: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-11-2026	DUE: 2026-27	☐	☑	☑	☑	☐	☐	0	10UAA (HC)
CEP L1	DAN DATTO	PEND	☑	1	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-03-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☑	☐	☐	☐	☐	0	OK FOR 8U
CEP L3	KATHRYN FREDIANELLI	YES	☑	3	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-15-2026	DUE: 2026-27	☐	☑	☑	☐	☐	☐	0	
CEP L1	RYAN GREENLEY	YES	☑	1	EH: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-28-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☑	☑	☑	☐	☐	0	10U
CEP EXPIRED	TRAVIS KILPELA	YES	☑	3	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 05-29-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☑	☑	☑	☐	☐	0	12U
CEP L3	MADISON LABYRK	YES	☑	3	EH: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-30-2026	DUE: 2026-27	☑	☐	☐	☐	☑	☑	0	19U GIRLS
CEP L4	COLLEEN MAYRA	YES	☑	4	EH: 12-31-2025	DUE: 05-15-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☑	☑	☑	☑	☐	☐	0	
CEP L4	JUSTIN MILLER	YES	☑	4	EH: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-20-2026	DUE: 2026-27	☐	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	0	14UAA (AC)
CEP L3	PHILLIP PIETILA	YES	☑	3	EH: 12-31-2025	DUE: 09-02-2026	DUE: 2026-27	☐	☑	☑	☑	☐	☐	0	10UA (HC)
CEP L4	KEVIN RAJALA	YES	☑	4	EH: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-19-2026	DUE: 2026-27	☐	☐	☑	☑	☐	☐	0	12U
CEP L4	TYLER SARAZIN	YES	☑	4	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-06-2026	DUE: 2026-27	☐	☑	☑	☑	☐	☐	0	12UA (AC)
CEP L2	JOE ZERBST	YES	☑	2	EH: 12-31-2025	DUE: 01-01-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☑	☑	☑	☐	☐	0	8U
OKAY UNTIL SAFESPORT EXPIRES															
SS	ZACHARY BABCOCK	YES	☑	1	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 10-18-2025	DUE: 2026-27	☑	☑	☐	☐	☐	☐	0	8U (HC)
SS + 5 CE credits	RYAN GRAY	YES	☑	4*	EH: 12-31-2025	DUE: 10-02-2025	DUE: 2026-27	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	☑	5	19U GIRLS (AC)
SS	BRETT HILLSTROM	YES	☑	4	DUE: 12-31-2027	DUE: 09-16-2025	DUE: 2026-27	☐	☑	☑	☐	☑	☑	5	10U
SS	MARSHALL KEMPAINEN	YES	☑	1	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 10-05-2025	DUE: 2026-27	☑	☑	☐	☐	☐	☐	0	8U
SS	ALEX ROY	YES	☑	1	EH: 12-31-2025	DUE: 10-10-2025	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☑	☐	☐	☐	☐	0	8U
SS + CEP L3	TIM VIOLA	YES	☑	3	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 09-09-2025	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☑	☑	☑	☐	☐	0	10U
REQUIREMENTS NOT MET															
SS	WYATT GESHEL	YES	☑	1	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: EXPIRED	DUE: 2027-28	☑	☑	☐	☐	☐	☐	0	8U
CMR	TANNER FLACHS	PEND	☑	1	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-21-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	0	

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CMR	CARL HEINONEN	PEND	☑	1	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-24-2026	DUE: 2027-28	☐	☐	☐	☐	DUE	☐	0	14UAA (AC)
CMR, SS	TYLER KORPELA	YES	☑	2	EH: 12-31-2025	DUE: 09-09-2025	DUE: 2027-28	☑	☑	☑	☑	DUE	☐	0	14UAA (AC)
SS + CEP EXPIRED	JOEL LYBERG	YES	☑	2	EH: 12-31-2025	DUE: EXPIRED	DUE: 2026-27	☐	☑	☑	☑	☐	☐	0	10UA (AC)
CMR, SCREEN, CEP	MIKE MAILLETTE	PEND	☑	1	EH: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-31-2026	DUE: EXPIRED	☐	☐	☐	DUE	☐	☐	0	12UA
SCREEN	JASON MENEGUZZO	YES	☑	4	DUE: 12-31-2026	DUE: 08-29-2026	DUE: EXPIRED	☑	☐	☐	☐	☑	☑	0	19U GIRLS
SS + SCREEN	NICK RILEI	YES	☑	4	EH: 12-31-2025	DUE: 09-15-2025	DUE: EXPIRED	☑	☑	☑	☑	☐	☐	0	12U GIRLS
SCREEN, L1	MARK ROULEAU	YES	☑	1	DUE: 12-31-2025	DUE: 08-28-2026	DUE: EXPIRED	☑	☑	☑	☑	☐	☐	0	10U
NOT REGISTERED	PHIL RAFFAELLI														14UAA (AC)

SS	Safetsport due
CMR	Coaching Module Required
CEP	Coach certification level
SCREEN	Background screen
CE	Coach credits