



April 2025 Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 14th, 2025

7:00 PM

ZOOM Conference

OPERATIONS / Tom Crosson

1. Call to Order – 7:00pm
2. Roll Call – Absent: Baltimore, Easton, Howard, TI, and Tri-City
3. March 2025 meeting minutes were approved

First – Loudoun Update / Craig Desjarlais

- Great News – Loudoun will remain up and running!
- Ion and existing investors purchased
- Both sheets of ice will remain up and open for hockey and other events
- Signed a 14yr lease
- Unfortunately, lost approx 10 teams at the 8U/10U/12U levels as well as 12U girls
 - Will still have teams in 14-18U levels
- Business should remain as usual with teams, tryouts, practices, etc.

COMMISSIONER UPDATE / Tom Crosson

- Congratulations to all teams that made it to Nationals
- 10U Leveling Event
 - Dates June 7th and 8th 2025
 - Same format as last year with 4 games, 5 v 5
 - Looking to see if PVAHA will help with grant to assist in offsetting costs
- Reminder of Upcoming Key Dates for Playoff Schedule
 - Playoff scheduling – 2025-2026 Potential/Tentative Schedule
 - Jan 31- Feb 1, 2026 -All girls divisions
 - Feb 6-7, 2026 - All 10U (24 games at max)
 - Feb 21-22, 2026 – 12U-18U AA, 16U UA & LA, 18U UA & LA
 - Feb 28 – March 1, 2026 – UA, LA & Wales
 - Lots of other things to look at with dates in March

REPORTS

TREASURER / Stacy Hart

- No report – Nothing new currently
 - Received payment from SoMd

PVAHA / Linda Jondo

- No report - Absent

SHOA / Bud Sterling

- Open Registration for Officials is May 1st 2025
 - Registration will go from May 1st – November 20th
 - Tier structure with levels 1-5
 - Will be returning to classroom instruction
- SHOA has monthly meetings
 - We are open to questions and suggestions
 - Also will be holding our Annual elections in May
- Navy chimed in and advised their club would be interested in an Q&A with SHOA

SCHEDULING / Mike Lyons

- No report – Nothing new to report at this time

GIRLS HOCKEY / Pat Wildman

- Four (4) CBHL Girls Teams made it to Nationals
- StJames 14U, StJames and MYHA 16U, and Tri-City 19U all made Nationals. Congratulations to them all!
- Congratulations to National Champion St James 14U and to Tri City 19U for making it to the championship game. A very strong showing by CBHL girls!
- Girls Development Camp tryouts
 - Multi-district camp tryouts for 12/13U (2012, 2013 birth years) were held in Reston at the end of March
 - Tryouts for 2008-2011 players take place at the end of April in Florida. Registration is on the SE District website.
 - Selections for all camps to be posted in early May
- Working on starting to get girls divisions set up for 10U and 12U for the upcoming season and will start on other divisions following tryouts
- Planning to create a working group to assist with girls jamborees and programming for younger players

DISCIPLINE / Bill Schmidt

- In the process of working out some glitches with USA Hockey system
 - When a ref does a report with multiple clubs, it is changing who player belongs to

COMPETITION: David Fishman

- Nothing new at this time
- Just a reminder that 411's can carry over into the season

8U / Tom LaTona (Reported by Tom Crosson)

- Absent - There is dedication in establishing dates for the two (2) big jamborees before the season starts

TEAM MANAGER LEAD / Katy Kaufmann

- Thank you to who took the meeting notes in my absence for March Meeting. Very much appreciated!
- Club contact information sheet has been sent out for the upcoming 2025-2026 season
 - Please get those back asap
 - Important so that we know the correct staff at your club are getting information
- Starting to work on getting this ready for next season

WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA / Tom Crosson

- Was approached by Crossbar for possible new CBHL website platform
 - Offered a deal – website free x3 years
 - Looking into information

WASHINGTON CAPITALS / No Representative Present

OLD BUSINESS

- No old business to review

NEW BUSINESS

- Was opened to floor for concerns/questions about meeting discussions or things from meeting – None heard.

- Review/Vote on Rule Change Suggestions x6 submitted
 - 1.) Rule 12.8.d – Playoff Shootout Procedure
 - Change rule from 5 rounds down to 3 rounds
 - Vote: All yes, Zero opposed
 - Rule change accepted
 - 2.) New Rule Proposal – Handshake Line Protocol
 - Suggest having handshake before game instead of after
 - Handshake to be done after warm ups and before puck drop
 - Vote: Majority vote No
 - Rule change not accepted
 - 3.) Rule 6.0 – Team Declarations
 - Change rule to remove the “less than” of 60% of players...
 - Have rule state – “60% or less of players...” and “have greater than 60%...”
 - Is to make rule clear that 60% is okay for B teams
 - Vote: All yes, Zero opposed
 - Rule change accepted
 - 4.) Rule 5.0 – Dual Rostering – Girls
 - Change rule to state that any player on a Tier 1 association youth team may not be dual rostered on a CBHL girls team
 - Vote: All yes, Zero opposed
 - Rule change accepted
 - 5.) Rule 12.0 – Playoffs Period Lengths – Girls
 - Suggested to standardize period lengths for playoffs
 - To align playoff period lengths for girls teams with those of the girls USAH National Championships, the girls SE District Tournament and the girls PVAHA Tournament
 - Suggested also to ensure CBHL girls and youth teams play equal length periods in playoffs at each age level.
 - Vote: None taken – lots of discussions
 - Vote tabled at this time, need to revisit
 - 6.) Rule 8.0 – Game Information regarding Game periods Girls
 - Suggested to align game period length of CBHL girls and youth AA/NTB teams and to further align period lengths for youth and CBHL girls AA/NTB teams with the period lengths of the youth state playoffs and USAH National Championships
 - Vote: None taken – lots of discussions
 - Vote tabled at this time, need to revisit
- SHOA Contract
 - Has been complete and sent on to SHOA
- Hampton Player Issue o First year 16U playing down in 14U
 - None opposed
- Next meeting: May 19th at 7:00pm

Meeting Adjourned 8:14pm