



De Pere Youth Hockey Board Meeting
September 9, 2025 6:00pm *Called to order at 6:04pm*
Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm

<u>Board members present</u>	Dave Antilla	Sara Baierl	Brandon Bergner	Greg Binsfeld	Cassie Brill	Sandi Delvaux	Jason Gerhard	Matt Jensen	Michelle Kuehl
	Bill LaBelle	Ashley Mitchell	Rob Norwood	Chris Sands	Dana Sande	Tina Sumner	Mike Thompson	Tiffany Weckwerth	Adam Zunker

PRESIDENT-Jensen

- ★ OOD Discussion and vote
 - Glander: board voted **yes** for release from DePere
 - Ladwig: board voted **yes** for release from Green Bay
 - Erickson: board voted **yes** for release from Manitowoc
 - Crabbe: board voted **yes** for release from Green Bay

Motion: "Conditional acceptance of Bantam players below, with no more than 2 per team, the lowest would not make the De Pere team"

- Kneath: board voted **yes** for release from Marinette
- Wernli: board voted **yes** for release from Manitowoc
- Dura: board voted **yes** for release from Marinette
- Koch: board voted **yes** for release from Marinette

***Based on tryouts: to not exceed allotted numbers per team to remain eligible for the state tournament

VICE PRESIDENT/OPERATIONS COMMITTEE-LaBelle

- ★ Pinney Inventory: Chris will get numbers
- ★ Volunteer Hours for Tryouts: Sara loaded into volunteer sign-up spreadsheet
 - Someone at the table to check kids in
 - Collect pinneys at the end of tryouts

TREASURER-Mitchell

- ★ Invoices for Scrip accounts will be sent by 9/30/25
- ★ Concession Start-Up Cash
- ★ Volunteer Checks: \$1,000 and will be collected at tryouts
- ★ Need to update Parent Slides; always included future budget, do we want to add prior year results?
 - Include budget comparison and why an increase in fees

August Treasurer Report (Balances from Bank Statement)

Checking Balance as of 7/31/2025: \$99,460.10

Money Market Balance as of 7/31/2025: \$158,288.05

Withdrawals Made - Details:

Route 1: \$7,000.00

July Ice: \$2,816.50

De Pere Park & Rec: \$1,930.00

Credit Card (Tournaments, Misc): \$1,207.62

True North Scrip: \$945.00

Bayside Printing: \$529.93

Raffle Payout: \$550.00

Crossbar Monthly Fee: \$69.00

Bank Fee: \$10.00

Withdrawals Total: \$15,058.05

Deposits Made - Details:

Registration Fees: \$20,182.19

RaiseRight Scrip: \$2,157.46
Square: \$509.67
Venmo Transfer (Registration/Picnic Sponsorship): \$639.35
Money Market Interest: \$338.98
Deposits Total: \$23,827.65

Uncleared Transactions Items – August Ice \$4,963.00; Route 1 \$4,484.25; Penalty Box \$1,990.00; Bayside Printing \$87.50; Ref Checks \$240.00; Raffle Checks \$300.00
Checking Balance as of 8/31/2025: \$57,351.37
Money Market Balance as of 8/31/2025: \$209,166.38

SECRETARY-Delvaux

- ★ Next board meeting is October 7th at 6pm
- ★ Monthly newsletter (need to update)
 - Reminder about \$1,000 check for tryouts
 - Volunteer
 - Thank sponsors for picnic donations
 - Picnic reminder
- ★ Gamblers youth night: sent out & will collect money
- ★ Parent meeting [slideshow](#)

COMMUNICATIONS/WEBSITE- Weckwerth

- ★ Rink Banner design update
- ★ CEL information needs to be updated on WAHA website - I don't have login
- ★ Will send out email reminder on picnic and parent meetings

FUNDRAISING-Binsfeld/SPONSORSHIP- Gerhard

- ★ GERHARD- All practice jerseys invoices have been sent. All checks are being sent to the PO Box.
- ★ GERHARD- Update on correspondences with Grow the Stone & DPYH
 - Motion: "Donate \$5,000 to the Grow the Stone Fund"--**approved**
- ★ GERHARD- DPYH picnic banner has been ordered from Heyrman Printing
 - \$240 for the banner
 - \$850 donations towards the picnic

EVENTS/VOLUNTEERS-Baierl

- ★ Uploaded Green Bay Gamblers game & Try Hockey for Free

REGISTRAR-D. Sands

- ★ Reminder: complete the volunteer registration form on the DPYH website - NEW THIS YEAR: the board roster must be created before team rosters will be approved. See note per USA Hockey Portal:
 - **NEW this season...**USA Hockey is requiring that every association create and submit an Association Board Roster prior to any other team rosters being approved for the season. Create Team, select Regular Season, Board and then add all your association board members to the roster as staff. Individuals must have valid safesport and screening to be added.
 - As in past years, before November 15, the DPYH President will need to sign paperwork confirming all board and committee members, coaches, team managers and locker room monitors are in compliance by having a completed background check and completed safesport training prior to participating in team activities including on ice practices.
- ★ Coach and Volunteer Requirement reporting - detailed report: **2025-2026 Coach and Volunteer Requirements Report**
 - Coach Summary:
 - 35 coaches registered
 - On Ice Reqs - 9 complete, 26 pending safesport, background, or both
 - Training Reqs - 7 complete, 20 pending CEP, 1 pending modules, 7 pending CEP and modules
 - 23 coaches from last year not registered yet
 - Board/Committee Summary:
 - 16 board/committee members registered
 - Reqs - 9 complete, 7 pending safesport, background, or both
 - 9 need register: Aiken, Coppo, Hickey, Kucksdorf, B Labelle, Lundin, Thompson, Welsing, Zunker
- ★ Registration numbers as of 9/8 - detailed report: **2025-2026 Registration Report**

MITE (8U)	SQUIRT (10U)	PEEWEE (12U)	BANTAM (14U)
47	42	41	31

★ **Out of District Requests - Vote Required**

Out of District Requests	Level	Planned Teams	Requests	Last Name	Home Org	Status	Details
	Bantam	2	5	Wernli	Manitowoc	Release Received	WAHA SS release/Goalie
				Koch	Marinette	Release Received	Marinette PWA last year
				Crabbe	Green Bay	Release Received	Return OOD (3rd yr)
				Kneath	Marinette	Release Received	Moved to open district
				Dura	Marinette	Release Received	No other info shared
	PeeWee	3	1	Erickson	Manitowoc	Release Received	WAHA SS release
	Squirt	3-4	1	Ladwig	Green Bay	Release Received	Return OOD (2nd yr)
Release Requests	Mite	n/a	0				
	Level	Planned Teams	Requests	Last Name	Home Org	Status	Details
	Bantam	2	0				
	PeeWee	3	1	Glander	DPYH	Release Requested	GBAYHA PWA last year
	Squirt	3-4	0				
	Mite	n/a	2	Stoddard	DPYH	Voted not to release	
				Unknown	DPYH	Voted not to release	

★ **Position Specific Goals for this Season**

- Achieve 100% completion of player, coach, and volunteer registrations by the designated deadlines.
- Reduce compliance chase-downs by automating at least one reporting/tracking process (e.g., background checks, SafeSport, CEP).
- Test one automation or template (e.g., Google Sheet roster feed → USA Hockey upload) to reduce manual entry.
- Cross collaborate with registrars from neighboring association(s) to learn about how they are streamlining work.

★ **Ideas for consideration - Organization Goals for this Season**

- Form cross user group Rink Committee and begin fundraising
- Implement money generating rink advertisement agreement with City of De Pere and Rink Management Company
- Increase registration for Mite/Squirt level players, Decrease non-renewal registrations - focus is sustainable growth of the organization participation YOY

EQUIPMENT MANAGER-C. Sands

- ★ Motion to purchase kickboxing dummies \$300 each—**approved by the board**

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR-D.Antilla

- ★ Bantam B State Tournament

RECRUITMENT-Norwood/Thompson

- ★ Skate with Santa scheduled for December 21, 2025 (3:30 PM - 4:50 PM)
- ★ Try Hockey for Free (Off Cycle) - January 4, 2026 (3:45 PM - 4:45 PM)
- ★ WAHA annual meeting:
 - Coaches present in the locker rooms instead of locker room monitors
 - Ways to improve registration numbers: holiday events, food trucks, etc.

CULTURAL LIAISON- Brill

- ★ Grants: typically done by recruitment, but falls to whatever area it is pertaining to
 - Possibly get high school students to fill them out for us & earn service hours
- ★ Picnic is all set to go
 - Raffles for coming to the picnic

MAINTENANCE LIAISON-Bergner

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DPIA ASSESSMENT UPDATE

★ **WHAT IS NEXT:**

- Get commitment from the other user groups for fundraising for the new mats

- Teams responded to the request for confirmation of their commitment to fundraising - none were able to commit a dollar amount, but we received confirmation of representatives from all user groups
- Individual reach outs to all user groups to understand best dates to meet - Thursdays
- City to complete work on the dehumidifier
 - Brandon continues to work to finalize review of the proposals and work scheduled

★ **TO DO:**

- Pending confirmation from city regarding the sponsorship proposal - still in review with legal department
- Schedule the all user group meeting - form committee, review progress to date, review proposals, identify next steps

★ **COPIES OF PROPOSALS:** [Sponsorship Advertising Proposal](#) // [DPYH Donation to DPIA](#)

ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

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Off-season topics:

- ★ Changes to by-laws
 - Voting members