

Meeting Agenda & Minutes

Date: August 28, 2025 **Time:** 1815-2045

Location: BWW, Google Meet

Recorded by: Rachael Ours

Attendees: A. Luddy, A. Nemet, B. Catalde, D. Schumacher, J. Martin, P. Markiewicz, R. Ours, T. Miodus

Objective

The purpose of the Erie Youth Hockey Association is to instruct the youth of Erie and the surrounding communities in the skills associated with the game of hockey and the ideals of good sportsmanship, fair play, and respect for others.

Agenda

Standing items

- 1. Consent Agenda
 - a. Motion and second to approve consent agenda as presented: B. Catalde, J.
 Martin
 - b. Vote & result: 7 approve consent agenda as presented
- 2. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Discussion: Checking balance: \$77,148.21, savings balance: \$565,489.61. EYHA Summer Skills camp operated at a loss of roughly \$2,700, not unexpected. Credit card transactions were shared and there were no questions on any purchases (mostly tournament fees). The team funds policy was also presented as it was initially shared at the coach & manager meeting earlier in the month.
 - b. Motion and second to approve the Teams Funds Policy as presented: D Schumacher, B Catalde
 - c. Vote & result: 7 approve, 0 opposed
- 3. Boys Update
- 4. Girls Update
 - a. Discussion: Girls teams were inadvertently left off email for 50/50 signup dates. RO will talk with EG to touch base on email communication and collaboratively work to identify opportunities to streamline and standardize the 50/50 process next season.
- 5. House Update



- a. Checking upper division?
 - There was a request to the board to implement checking in the upper house league this year to better prepare players for higher level play.
 After discussion and considering development and well as player safety, the board agreed upon the following:

For those eligible (upper house), the first half of the season would be non-checking and the second half would be checking. In order to prepare skates for the second half of the season, EYHA would offer 3 sessions of extra clinics on proper checking techniques. Prior to the season starting and determination of teams, families must choose whether they want to participate in the second half of the season with checking. Families may request to opt out and play down, but these special circumstances will require board approval. Please notify the House director if you wish to request to opt out of checking.

- b. What do we do for 2 players 2007-08, 1 player 2009-10
- c. Who are we ordering house jerseys through this season? Contact information?
 - JM shared contact information with PM for a representative from Meadville (K&B Outfitters) that would hopefully be able to accommodate a guick turnaround
- d. Are we good with lending goalie equipment to those that ask?
 - We are unable to lend the ADM goalie equipment, but if there are other sizes available and needed, then yes it can be borrowed and must be returned.
- e. No equipment rental?
 - i. The board discussed and agreed that we could do an equipment rental. The process would require the coach/manager to ensure the family fill out a google form so all equipment would be accounted for and charged for if not returned at the end of the season.

6. ADM Update

a. Discussion: TM was wondering how to leverage and connect more with our Otters partnership for presence at practices, etc to enhance the experience we offer to the kids. TM will email Haleigh and copy BC, as our designated Otters liaison to open lines of communication for how this partnership can be further enhanced. Also discussed was we advertised 40-50 ice slots, but currently have less scheduled. The proposed solution included adding additional ice into March after Flo closes to meet the minimum advertised. TM also shared that the Leader Graphics store is ready, RO will email to membership. Lastly, skills registration numbers were less than 15. AL considered asking members of his team if they would be interested in Sunday skills to increase the number of participants. All were in agreement this was a reasonable offering.



Old Business

- CPR/First Aid Training (Final curriculum/dates to be decided at coaches meeting date TBD)
 - a. AN shared she was waiting on SD
- 2. Board member terms & duties (tabled until next meeting)
- 3. 50/50/Otters (tabled until next meeting)
- 4. Bylaws revisions (tabled until next meeting)

New Business

- 1. Duchini Reimbursement (DS)
 - a. Discussion: GD submitted reimbursement for mileage attending PAHL meetings for the previous 3 years, totaling \$1,345.75. DS reviewed documentation to see that he was never reimbursed for these expenses previously, and all board members agreed that reimbursement was appropriate. Moving forward, a timeframe will be set for reimbursement (ie 60 days after completion of travel)
 - b. Motion & second to reimburse G. Duchini for 3 years worth of mileage for PAHL meetings: R Ours and A Nemet
 - c. Vote & result: 7 in favor, 0 opposed
- 2. Lake Erie Hockey Officials Contract (2025-2028), FLO Agreement, Emergycare (DS)
 - a. Discussion: DS shared the contracts and agreements for Hockey Officials, FLO and Emergycare for review with all board members. One notable change to the Lake Erie Hockey Officials contract is that there is no family allowed to referee any games where other family members are playing.
 - b. Motion & second to approve the above agreements: J Martin and B Catalde
 - c. Vote & result: 7 in favor, 0 opposed
- 3. Newsletter (DS)
 - a. DS shared that he has a draft of a newsletter to send out to membership ready and he wanted to include some financial information monthly to increase transparency. RO will work with DS to finalize the newsletter and send it out to membership. The board also agreed to extend the deadline for scholarships through 9/30.
- 4. Part-time player fees (BC)
 - a. Discussion: BC was contacted by a coach from a travel team inquiring about prorated fee for part-time players as a team has had significant injuries. AL shared that there was a policy approved by the board previously that stated



players could attend all practices and up to 9 games and then after 9 games, would be charged for the full season. AL will communicate the EYHA policy with the coach and remind the team that it is most efficient to streamline communication through the travel directors. There would also need to be a tryout for any new players since cuts were made to the team initially.

Future Business

1. Fundraising (PM - Guest Mark Salot)

Motion & second to adjourn:

Action Items:

Assignee	Τ τ Title	□ Date Started	Date Complete	⊙ Status	Comments
<u>Dave</u> <u>Schumacher</u> PL	Schedule audit of EYHA accounts	Date	⊟ Date	Not started	To revisit now that tax season has concluded
Scott Dudkiewicz Aleasha Nemet	BLS training for coaches	Dec 3, 2024	⊞ Date	In progress	Will schedule after coaches meeting; AN to check with Sambucchino for availability
Scott Dudkiewicz	Purchase goalie sticks, youth skates and helmets	Jan 23, 2025	⊞ Date	In progress	Helmets backordered, MH purchased others
Person	Purchase larger pants for try hockey events	Feb 27, 2025	⊞ Date	Not started	
Alexander Luddy	Skills list repository	May 22, 2025	i Date	In progress	
Rachael Ours	Advertisement during 50/50 shifts	Apr 2, 2025		Not started	Will work with RM to create for upcoming games
Person	Virtualize Policy & Procedure Manual	Apr 2, 2025		Not started	
Dave Schumacher	Policy for account carryover	May 22, 2025	Date	Completed	



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Dave Schumacher	25-26 draft budget	May 22, 2025	Date	In progress	
Alexander Luddy	Film/video review software comparison	May 22, 2025	Date	Not started	
Alexander Luddy	Dual rostering policy	May 22, 2025	Date	Not started	
Alexander Luddy	Player & coach code of conduct	May 22, 2025	Sep 4, 2025	Completed	
<u>Trevor Miodus</u>	Screen printing for practice jerseys	Jun 19, 2025	Date	Completed	Cost for 3 logos at Leader Graphics
Bob CataldeJeff MartinScott DudkiewiczAlexan der LuddyPaul MarkiewiczAleash a Nemet Trevor MiodusDave SchumacherRacha el Ours	List duties/responsibilities in policy/procedure draft document (see email)	Jun 19, 2025	Date	In progress	
Paul Markiewicz	Checking clinic for upper house (3 dates)	Aug 28, 2025	Date	Not started	
Rachael OursPaul Markiewicz	Email re: checking for upper house	Aug 28, 2025	Sep 11, 2025	Completed	
Dave SchumacherRacha el Ours	September Newsletter	Aug 28, 2025	Sep 11, 2025	Completed	
Person	Google form for equipment renal	Aug 28, 2025	Date	Not started	
Rachael OursEmily Durovchic	50/50 wraps	Date	Date	Not started	
Scott Dudkiewicz	Sign& return updated agreement/sponsorship with	Aug 28, 2025	Date	Not started	



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	Otters			