



Hermantown Amateur Hockey Association

Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 24, 2025

Skyline - 8:01pm-10:08 pm

Attendees: Garret Suihkonen, Ben Carlson, Bud Mickelson, Eric Albrecht, Jameson Lundquist, Chad Huttel, Adam Wright, Conrad Fox, Nate Kukowski, Marko Pedisic, Karl Gilbert, Jon Clauson, Ross Peterson, Sarah Johnson, Josh Peterson, Luke Olson, Andrea Mahnke, Adam Lilyquist

Guests: Kenny Kolquist, Shawna Jokinen, Melissa Buck

1. Call to order @8:01pm by Wright.
1. Review and Approval of August **2025** monthly meeting minutes **Motion** made by Albrecht, seconded by Kukowski. No further discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.
2. August Gambling Report September 19, 2025

Gross Receipts	\$305,781	Proposed August Budget	\$29,860
Prizes Paid	\$263,446	Actual August Budget	\$27,950
Net Receipts	\$42,335	End of last month carryover	\$67,737.28
Allowable Expenses	\$22,862	Proposed October Budget	\$33,231
Taxes Payable	\$4,797	Net Profit	\$14,676

Motion to approve the Gambling Report for August **2025** made by R. Peterson, Second by Albrecht. All in favor – No opposed. Motion passed.

Motion to approve a proposed budget for October **2025** made by Suihkonen, Second by Huttel. All in favor – No opposed. Motion passed.

Andrea presented Gambling Report with enhanced detail and discussion on activity by gambling site and meat raffle net receipts. Gambling utilizes several checking accounts and discussed potential ways to improve. Another fundraising raffle ticket/coupon book handout event to be held in early October.

3. Old Business:
 - a. Outdoor Rink Replacement – Fox shared updates on improvements to outdoor facilities. Discussed options for siding replacement and adding netting to protect the parking lot. No update on permitting process for rink replacement
 - b. Registration/Software - Albrecht shared updates on registration and demonstrated coaching features within Crossbar. Coordinators need to add coaching information to the spreadsheet to help organize all the requirements.
4. New Business:
 - a. Move-ups (Adam) Discussion about the pro's & con's of skill level move ups. Specific discussion about Mite 2 to squirts move-up considerations for the upcoming season. Additional discussion about whether a move-up should be eligible to try out for the top teams in the association. Motion to move Jack Peterson, Jed Filzen and Flynn Fox from Mite 2 to Squirts and allow them to tryout for any team made by Pedisic, second by Mickelson. Carlson and Albrecht vote no, J. Peterson and Fox abstained, 11 in favor. Motion passed.

- b. Motion to grant level move-up to William Terry made by Wright, second by Kukowski. All in favor. No opposed. Motion passed
- c. U15 A&B Coaching Staffs (Sarah)
 - i. U15B: Ali Marsh (Head Coach), Laura Meillier, Molly Gross
 - ii. U15A: Ella Anick (Head Coach), Kennedy Halverson, Emma Dornseif
- d. Discarded Mirage jerseys plan (Sarah) Mirage are considering selling discarded jerseys to raise funds, use as practice jerseys or give away. Decision left to Mirage program.
- e. 3rd Jersey Option (Garret) Suihkonen presented a potential design to be used during the upcoming season by HAAH teams. Discussion about how to deploy a 3rd jersey and leaving the option to the individual teams. Final concept to be shared for approval when available.
- f. Tournament apparel (Lilyquist) Discussion about fundraising and apparel options at HAAH hosted tournaments. Tournament Director to bring HAAH logo requests to the Board for approval. Any money earned to go to the age level tournament expenses.
- g. HAAH Ice Scheduler Q&A (Melissa) Melissa demonstrated what goes into scheduling ice in Crossbar. Despite a second rink coming in Hermantown, will likely still have to schedule at other areas to meet demand. Melissa answered questions from members about the ice scheduling process.

5. Treasurer's Report: Account Summary **September 22, 2025:**

Savings	CD	Checking	Total
\$621,814.73		\$21,079.44	\$642,894.17

YOY: \$18,710.91

Suihkonen provided a detailed review of the P&L and answered questions from the membership. Registration revenue is up, some reimbursements from squirt internation and spiideo. Discussion about concession stand expenses shared between HAAH and the Hermantown Arena. - \$16,000 outstanding loan to gambling, \$13,000 Outdoor Rink Sponsorship outstanding.

Motion to use \$13,980 in funds to cover additional expenses on the new Zamboni made by Fox, second by Lundquist. All in favor – No opposed. Motion passed

Motion to approve treasurer's report made by Wright, seconded by J. Peterson. All in favor – No opposed. Motion passed.

6. Player Development:

- a. Huttel: Tryouts scheduled, preseason skates going well, interest from Hermantown alumni in helping out with youth hockey
- b. Goalies: L. Olson – Goalie skate schedule for next Friday
- c. Girls: Anick - No update

7. Level Coordinator Reports:

- a. Equipment Manager: Carlson – Bantam Tryout jerseys set, prepping for tryouts, socks ordered
- b. Outdoor Ice: Fox – Discussion about outdoor zamboni driver hiring, \$20/hr, ideally seeking 2-8 pm coverage
- c. Girls U13-U15: Johnson – No update
- d. Girls U10-U12: Clauson – U12 A Coaches: Jon Clauson Head Coach, Mark Sams and Britta Kauppila assistant. U12 B coaches to be determined after tryouts. U10 numbers are low, no goalies, coach options should be in good shape
- e. Girls U6-U8: Gilbert – No update
- a. BN: Kukowski – Working on assistant coaches
- f. PW: Pedisic – Tryouts set, working around schedule conflict with football season, 46 skaters, 5 goalies
- g. SQ: Peterson – Hermantown didn't get into squirt internation at B1 and B2 levels, tournaments replaced for those teams. Coaches set after tryouts.
- h. M2- Mickelson – Question about puck shooting challenge from the offseason. 12 teams signed up for home M2 tourney, 16 slots total.

- i. IM/M1: Lundquist – Working on home tourney, 12 teams signed up now. 58 skaters registered for M1. 7 ice mite requests to move to M1
- 8. Open forum/Membership questions/concerns:
 - a. Shawna – Taking sponsors through the new arena project. Weekend long celebration planned for arena opening Jan 1-4 with all teams having an opportunity to play a game during the weekend.

Meeting Adjourned 10:08 PM