**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

**September 17, 2025 @ 7:00 PM**

**In Attendance:** John DeCaroMark Passard Richard Oelkers Abby DeBonis Korey Day Powell Gallagher Nicole Leon ~~Dylan Troisi~~ Holly White

Shannon Zink

**Meeting Call to Order:** 7:00 pm

**Meeting Location:** Mac Community Room

**Approval to excuse absent Board Members:** Dylan Troisi (PG, HW)

**Approval of the September 17, 2025 Agenda:** Motion made to approve Agenda, (HW/MP), motion carried

 **Approval of the August 20, 2025 Minutes: (**PG/NL) motion carried

 **Approval of the Treasurer’s Report:** Revenue is up over this time last year. This is a registration month which explains the increase in revenue, also a decrease in operating expenses as ice bills haven’t come in yet. Also, a change to how Development Coordinator pay is distributed. We rolled summer team registrations into this season as well. (KD/HW)

***Items for Discussion:***

***Guest Concerns:***

None

**Committee Reports**

* **House Update (KD) –**  All teams have started having practices. Scheduling meeting is October 11th at the Megan Room. Rostere have to be in by December 15th (was December 31st in previous years). State tournament dates should be announced soon. The U16A tournament will be at the MAC March 20-22. MAHA proposed adding a B+ division for next season, not sure how that would work. Jerseys, coach jackets have been sent in to the Team Shop. Still looking for players for 18B team, primarily a goalie.
* **Comp Update (PG) –** Games have started for all the teams. All of the teams have trips planned, U18s are going to Vegas over New Years, U14s, U12s, and U10s are going to Utah in November. Started Development Skates last night. State Hockey is continuing to push the Gamesheet app. Mark Passard is handling most of this for MHA. We have an iPad that is stored in a lock box inside the scorer’s bench. The MAC front desk has the key and can issue that to MHA teams for games.
* **Girls Update (HW)** – Great numbers at evals and we made a combo U10/12 girls team coached by Korey Day.
* **Future Planning Committee (JD)** – Renewing contracts with ASD for outdoor rinks (Gruening and Ravenwood), this will start sometime in November depending on weather. We’ll send this out to everyone to let them know when the rinks are ready.
* **Tournament (MP)** – Leftover Turkey prep is in full swing. Need to figure out what teams will be there, we can only have 16 teams total in the tournament, there will probably be some teams that want to play that we don’t have room for. Registration is open until October 31st. All medals and everything else for the MAC Attack is done. Time to start thinking about silent auction items for the tournaments.
* **Fundraising (--)** –
* **6U/8U Update (DT)** – After evals last week, all teams are formed. 2 Red teams, 2 White teams, and 2 Blue teams. About 50 kids total in the U8 program this year. The biggest reason for this drop is about 30 kids from last season moved up to U10.

**Old Business**

* None

**New Business**

* Pucks & Pints (NL) – Started looking into ideas for Puck & Pints where we could have a supervised kid’s activity at the same time so parents can attend without having to worry about childcare that night. This could potentially be done on the turf side at the MAC that night. Some discussions on doing the event just after the hockey season ends, however the MAC has extensive maintenance plans once the ice comes out. OMR was a good location last year, but we need to find the best timing for when people are around. Also would like to get more people from outside of the hockey community to attend.
* All Association Raffle (SZ) – Other associations do raffles that require all players to sell tickets. The raffle brings in money to the association and the team. Might be too late for this year, but we could plan on this for next season. Team Alaska does multiple raffles, about one per month. We’ll come back to this in January.
* Corporate Sponsors (SZ) – Corporate Sponsorship is down from previous years. John will reach out to Joey to see if the Laborer’s would be interested in sponsoring MHA
* Protocol for Releasing House Players (JD) – Need to look at the process for releasing players from the association. The State requires the association to release players that are in good standing. MHA is unlike other associations in that we don’t have a defined process for releasing players. Motion made to charge players 1/3 of their registration fee to leave the association prior to October 1st, after October 1st there is no refund with exception of medical or military reasons. (PG/KD) Voting in favor (NL, HW, MP, PG, KD), Abstaining (RO). Motion carries.
* Alaska ABC Board resolution for silent auctions (AD) – (AD/PG)
	+ **RESOLUTION 9.17.25:** Resolution to apply for the Alaska Alcoholic Beverage Control Board’s Alcoholic Beverage Auction Permit to allow silent auction gift baskets to contain alcohol at the following 2025-2026 Season events:

Mustang Hockey Association (MHA) Pucks & Pints

MHA (Alaska Blue Devils) Leftover Turkey Tournament

MHA Mac Attack Tournament

Distribution of funds raised will be as outlined in previous MHA Board meetings.

Permit applications will be completed by the MHA Treasurer for all fundraising events with silent auctions items that contain alcohol.  Permit fee for Pucks & Pints and Mac Attack will be paid for by MHA.  Alaska Blue Devils teams hosting the Leftover Turkey Tournament will reimburse MHA for the cost of the permit fee.

Motion made to pass this resolution (AD/PG), unanimous vote, motion carries.

**Next Meeting: October 15, 2025, at 7PM**

**Adjournment: 8:10 pm** Motion to adjourn, RO/HW. Motion carried.

**Executive Session:**

* **Discipline Committee (JD)**

**Executive Session Adjournament: 8:26 pm**

**25-26 Season Board Meeting Dates:**

July 16, 2024 January 21, 2025

August 20, 2024 February 18, 2025

September 17, 22024023 March 18, 2025

October 15, 2024 April 22, 2025

November 19, 2024 May 20, 2025

December 17, 2024 June 17, 2025

**Board Members**

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| Comp Program Director – Powell Gallagher (PG) | 6U/8U Coordinator – Dylan Troisi (DT) |
| Girls’ Coordinator – Holly White (HW) | Office Manager/Registrar – Shannon Zink (SZ) |

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| Coach Coordinator –  | Girls’ Coordinator – Nic Dutton (ND) |
| Player Development –  | Office Manager/Registrar – Heather Calcaterra (HC) |

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