**Board of Directors Meeting Agenda**

**August 20, 2025 @ 7:00 PM**

**Meeting Call to Order:** 7:03pm

**Meeting Location:** Mac Community Room

**Approval to excuse absent Board Members:** 7:05pm (MP, DT)

**Approval of the August 20, 2025 Agenda:** MP, KD

**Approval of the July 16, 2025 Minutes:** MP, HW

**Approval of the Treasurer’s Report:** MP, KD

* Concerns of ice sheets increasing upwards of 15% throughout the state as well as referee pay increases nearly 20% there is little wiggle room with the accounts for MHA. We did increase rate across the board for player registration costs; however, accountant is worried it may be close this will be monitored closely this season.

***Items for Discussion:***

***Guest Concerns:*** *Girls Teams: Will there be Girls teams this year? (see Girls Updates: HW)*

**Committee Reports**

* **House Update (KD**) – House evaluations are upcoming in a couple weeks, and our registration numbers are steadily increasing. On a positive note, we have goalies registered for every age group except for 16’s.

- Coaches will be meeting to draft their ice sheets for the season. In addition to the allocated number for each house team there is 20 additional hours MHA must disperse. This will be up to the house coaches to choose it.

- Additionally, MHA was selected to host the state tournament for 16U.

* **Comp Update (PG)** – PG excused, JD provided updates. Registration numbers skyrocketed the week before tryouts where we initially only had about 30 kids pushed to over 120 for tryout week. We were able to field a 10U Minor, 12U Major and Minor, 14u and an 18U team.

- There has been some discussion on comp moving forward from the state levels, these conversations will continue and may impact next season such as the need to space tryouts out and no longer allowing teams to be formed after day one. For districting (2014 Birth Year and younger) there is talks of combing Valley thunder with Blue Devils to give families an additional opportunity without having to apply for a waiver, however this has not been decided upon yet.

- Lasty 14AA state will be hosted by MHA.
* **Girls Update (HW)** – looking at fielding as many teams as possible or combining age groups to field teams. Sign up for evaluations so we can get the best idea of how much interest there is in these teams. Even if your daughter cannot make it, the teams will depend on registration numbers. Evals: 6 Sep 9:00am
* Future Planning Committee (JD) –
* **Tournament (MP) –** Awaiting comp team numbers to solidify before ironing out the details for Leftover Turkey Day tournament. Prepped for hosting 16A and 14AA state tournaments.
* **Fundraising (--)** – Almost found someone!
* 6U/8U Update (DT) – Over 40 kids have registered with multiple new registrations every day. Coaches for all levels have been found besides 8U Blue. With plenty of parent helpers DT is not very concerned currently with no head coach.

- Each team will have their own team manager to help.

- Evaluations 6 September 10:15am.

**Old Business**

* 14U Coach Update (KD) – Jack Carson is currently the only 14U coach, if there will be two teams then KD has volunteered to coach the other team.

**New Business**

* House Evals / 8U / Girls (JD) – See respective sections noted above.
* Comp Tryout Fees (MP) – MHA currently has the cheapest tryout fee. Looking to increase the price for tryouts to align with other comp programs to 65-75$. Also looking at doing an early bird special for registrations; an example is early bird registration 60$ while registering the week of is 75$. Enticing families to sign up early would allow better visibility on tryout numbers

**Additional Notes:**

* Corporate Sponsorships are down; this is different than team sponsorships as it affects all of MHA and helps us keep our costs lower.
* Bought an ipad to move forward with the GAMEDAY APP, this will be used instead of the printed-out scoresheets. This is for home games only, other rinks and associations have their own that will be utilized.
* Work order in for stand alone girls locker room
* MAC Ice projected to be out next summer for 8 weeks instead of 4 weeks for necessary repairs.
* Try to align MAC anniversary weekend to the Bear Paw and host the Bear paw Car Show in the parking lot to increase foot traffic to the events.

**Next Meeting: September 17, 2025, at 6PM Work Session; 7PM General Membership**

**Adjournment:** 7:37pm

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

~~July 16, 2025~~ January 21, 2026

~~August 20, 2025~~  February 18, 2026

September 17, 2025 March 18, 2026

October 15, 2025 April 15, 2026

November 19, 2025 May 20, 2026

December 17, 2025 June 17, 2026

**Board Members**

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