

2025-2026 Cottage Grove Hockey Association

CGHA Board Meeting

September 8, 2025-West Rink Meeting Room

Board Members (X = Present):

President: Dan Olson	x	Bantam Director: Alex Rettorf	x	Girls Program Director: Tyson Terry	x
Vice Pres. Ops: Dave O'Brien	x	Peewee Director: Chris Westphall	x	Girls 10U Director: Nicole Gilman	
Vice Pres. Admin: Brian Buffie	x	Squirt Director: Chris Johnson	x	Girls 8U Director: Chris Kubesh	x
Registrar: Tom Wassmund	x	Mite Director: Zach Paulson	x	Junior Gold Director: Chad Rediske	x
Budget Director: Tom Johnson	x	Mini Mite Director: Tylor Kendle	x	Hockey Director: Nick Harris	

Non-voting (X = Present):

Communications: Sharon Kortus	x	Fundraising: Andrea Erickson	x	Tournaments: Abigail Polson	x
D8 Liaison: Jake Benson	x	Ice Manager: Matt McMorrow	x	Mite Equipment: Nicole Tvedt	x
Apparel Manager: Ronda Ellevold	x	HockeyFest: Shauna Paulson		Volunteer/Dibs: Linnea Gamache	
Webmaster: Andrea Harms	x	Recruiting: Nicole Gilman	x	Tryout Committee/ Katie Dalzell	x

Player/Coach Development Coordinator: Dan Ohlman	x
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Meeting Start:

- Meeting called to order at 6:01

Approve Previous Month's Meeting Minutes

- Motion by: Brian Buffie
- Second by: Chris Westpahall
- All Approved

Committee Reports:

- Recruiting (Nicole Gilman):
 - o Back to school night's went really well and we have another try hockey day on Sept. 22nd.
- Equipment (Nicole Tvedt):
 - o Check out for new kids October 5th or 12th. Finalizing and getting Dibs.
 - o New equipment has arrived.
- Goalies (Brian Buffie):
 - o Goalie clinics are scheduled and will start after tryouts. If parents or goalies have questions send them to Buffie.

- HockeyFest / Jamboree(s) (Shauna Paulson):
 - Nothing to report.
- Fundraising (Andrea Erickson):
 - Working on Calendars.
- Ice Manager (Matt McMorro):
 - Ice is scheduled through Oct. for traveling and I just need to get mites and mini- mite information to schedule them.
 - Everyone will use the Tartan/North St. Paul ice arena several times a year.
 - Hastings will let us know of available times.
- Tournaments (*Abigail Polson*):
 - May have to drop the 12 B1s because of the lack of teams. We only have 3 and need 5.
- Volunteer / Dibs (Linnea Gamache):
 - Nothing to report
- Communications (Sharon Kortus):
 - Nothing to report. Send email to remove stickers from helmets and plain socks.
- Apparel Manager (Ronda Ellevold):
 - Fan store opened today.
 - Hopefully tryout jerseys will be done on Thursday.
- Tryout Committee (Katie Dalzell):
 - Things are running smoothly.
 - Bantam and 15s groups are posted.
 - The meetings have gone good so far.
 - Evaluators need to be put into the spread sheet.
 - If you need help drafting an email let Katie know.
- Player/Coach Development Coordinator (Dan Ohlman):
 - Ordered some of the equipment.
 - Development camp help has been showing up and is going good.
- Webmaster (Andrea Harms):
 - Nothing to report.
- District 8 Rep (Jake Benson):
 - All the CEP clinics are out.
 - There is a new U6 model.
 - January 15th no full nets.

- Any new ref will be wearing green arm bands. Remind coaches to have respect for the refs.
- There will be paper copies at each rink if ipads are working.
- There will be openings with retirement in the future for D8.

Board Member Reports:

- Registrar/Administrator (Tom Wassmund):
 - Level directors should have the coaches goggle sheets and CEP sheets.
 - 601 registered.
- Budget Director (Tom Johnson):
 - Sent out financials.
 - Not much going on, registration still coming in.
 - Keep itemized receipts for try out meals.
- Junior Gold Director (Chad Rediske):
 - We will have information sessions coming up and working with Park coach to do this.
- Bantam Director (Alex Rettof):
 - Setting up for try outs and looking for evaluators and coaches.
- Peewee Director (Chris Westphall):
 - Parent meeting on Wednesday and getting into try outs.
- Squirt Director (Chris Johnson):
 - Evaluators and on ice help a little short.
 - 2 teams got dropped out of the Fargo tournament, and new tournaments are signed up for.
- Mite Director (Zach Paulson):
 - U6 33 kids, Mite 67. Short of about 30 kids.
- Mini Mite Director (Tylor Kendle):
 - Started talking to people and did a few school events.
 - Numbers are down and just trying to compare last year to this year.
 - Proposing an In House Director with the following roles: CGHA recruiting - In House Program-Try Hockey for a Day-CGHA Mite/8U Jamboree-CGHA Hockey Fest Manager-Admin Assistance for Mini-Mite Direct, 8U Director and Mite Director-Point of Contact for In-House Program-Facebook Access for the In-House Program use.
 - Motion to approve an In House Director position with a stipend of \$1000, non voting position by Alex Rettof, second by Tyson Terry. All approved. Hockey Fest position folds into In House Director.
 - UHL plan is. I've contacted the UHL to get the 5u a night practice on December 5th from 6-7:30. This would include 5u girls and boys teams. I will send a written proposal to the board to figure out payment, etc. This event will be used as a toys for tots drive as suggested by Andrea.
- Girls Program Director (Tyson Terry):

- Trying to fill evaluator spots.
- Development camp is going now.
- 15U 36 skaters. Not sure what will happen with high school girls. Potentially some kids may need to waiver out.
- Groups posted today for 15U
- Have a few questions about the refund policy, working with the ice manager to see costs, and figure out the refund policy.
- Girls Program 8U Director (Chris Kubesh):
 - 8U are still short players. We would love to have 4 teams.
 - Working on development camp and evaluators.
 - At the school Open house's there was lots of interest.
- Girls Program 10U Director (Nicole Gilman):
 - Evaluators are set.
- Hockey Director (Nick Harris):
 - Nick proposes that we reimburse for one former CGHA player that made a national camp.
 - Brian Buffie motion to reimburse Zasada family, former CGHA player, for national camp that he made, of \$500. Second Dave O'Brien and all approved.
- Vice President of Administration (Brian Buffie):
 - CCM high performance league is still going on, should we not ask them to take off their stickers for tryouts from their helmets.
- Vice President of Operation (Dave O'Brien):
 - Nothing to report
- President (Dan Olson):
 - If anyone needs an update with the website, go through Andrea.

New Business:

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General Membership Concerns / Discussion:

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Adjournment:

- Meeting adjourned at: 7:11
 - Motion by: Brian Buffie
 - Second by: Alex Rettorf
 - All Approved