



WHAM BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, December 4, 2024

6:30 - 9:30 PM

online

<p>Beth, President</p>	<p>Called Meeting to order</p> <p>Update on Budget meetings. Goal is to have 2024-25 budget by mid January.</p> <p>Augsburg cancellations - costs for referee re-scheduling</p> <p>Update on New A skaters planning. Need Board approval to proceed once more details are finalized.</p>
<p>Lori, Secretary</p>	<p>November Meeting Minutes approved and posted on website</p>
<p>Beth, President</p>	<p>Town hall meetings outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● New manager mentors for C3 teams: Wendy Foslein, Kristin Bakos, Julie Johnson. ● New manager manual: Darla Hengel, Wendy Foslein, Kristin Bakos, Nancy Wefler. ● Over-45 division planning committee: Diane Murphy, Linda Smidzik, Sheryl Eckberg, Kristin Bakos, Betsy Primeau. ● Additional volunteers invited to participate! Request will go out in the December WHAM Wednesday. <p>Discussion about C level sub goalie demand exceeds supply. Potential solution: WHAM may schedule a “try goalie” clinic (early January). Once skaters learn goalie basics, they may wish to join our sub-goalie pool.</p> <p>Info item: Dual roster committee report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Committee still asking what is the problem we’re trying to solve?

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lack of growth. ○ New players not being picked up by teams. ○ Not enough spots for players who want to dual roster. ● How do these problems / causes differ between A, B and C divisions? <p>Potential solutions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Start new A-level team now. Plan for another A level team for next season. (Perhaps two.) ● Mentor new C level team now. Plan for another C level team for next season. (Perhaps two.) ● Create an over-45 division. B and C levels? (Players may dual roster into the over-45. No limits in the over 45, but they may not “tri-roster.” All limits remain the same in the traditional WHAM divisions. ● Post-assessment, pre-season pick-up skates -- managers and teams can connect with new players. ● Earlier assessment. By fall, teams have already formed. ● This could open up more spots for others to dual-roster.
Kendra, MN Hockey	Update on new MNH staff to manage social media and data. The next MNH Board meeting is scheduled for the end of January. Kendra’s term ends in March/April of 2025, and will not be seeking re-election. Hot topic right now is the future of girls hockey in the face of some upstart programs taking the higher skilled players off many association teams. Will WHAM need to change to keep our players?
Chelsea, Ref Supervisor	Referee budget review
Jocelyn, Development VP	Creation of new, unofficial A-level team. The goal is to schedule a half-season for our new A skaters who may then form a team for next season. (Skaters will fund all costs. WHAM will assist with scheduling.) Other A1 and A2 teams will be encouraged to play an additional game.
Britny, A-VP	None
Mary, B-VP	B3 incident report
Jeanne, C-VP	None
Erika, Admin	Reimbursing Thanksgiving skaters via sport NGIN Augsburg game cancellations - will work with teams for those who want to reschedule
Amber, Treasurer	List of members to be reimbursed, amounts to be reimbursed for board members and double registration
Lori, Communications	None

All	None
Beth, President	Meeting adjourned

Meeting Attendance

Title (Voting Members)	Name	Signature
President	Beth Chaplin	present
Secretary	Lori Shannon	present
Treasurer	Amber Flood	present
A- Vice President	Britny Holloway	absent
B- Vice President	Mary Rothchild	present
C-Vice President	Jeanne Kopf	present
Development Director	Jocelyn Cookson	present

Title (Administrative, Non-Voting Members)	Name	Signature
League Administrator and Assessment and New Player Coordinator	Erika Hockinson-Spande	present
Referee Supervisor	Chelsea Ray	present

MN Hockey Women's Director	Kendra Verbeten	present
Communications and Social Media Coordinator	Lori Shannon	present

Title (Commissioners, Non-Voting Members)	Name (attendance not required)	Signature
A1		
A2	Krisanthy Sikkila	
A3		
B1	Bridget Knight	
B2	Gina Magstadt	
B3	Julie Johnson	
C1	Rae Hohle, Annika Ferber, Emma Gumlia	
C2	Stacy Cole	
C3	Kate Woxland	

Guests:

Name _____ Team