

September 2025

Rushmore Hockey Association General Membership Meeting

Date: 9/8/25

Time: 6:00pm

Location: Thunderdome

Board Member	Present	Absent	Excused
Brad Eggers	x		
Dan Krohn		x	
Brad Lee		x	
Cody Minnerath	x		
Dave Bender	x		
Domnick Janitell	x		
Joelle Neutzling	x		
House Representative		x	
Loren Jensen	x		
Megan Archer	x		
Rebecca Mann		x	
Sandra Weaver	x		
Sean O'Connor	x		
Shannon Wirth	x		

Motion	First:	Second:	Time:
Call General Meeting to Order:	Brad Eggers	Sean O'Connor	6:00
Previous Meeting Minutes Approval:	Shannon Wirth	Cody Minnerath	
Meeting Agenda Approval:	Domnick Janitell	Cody Minnerath	
Meeting Adjourned:	David Bender	Domnick Janitell	7:18

Important Upcoming Event:	Date:
October Board Meeting	10-13-25

Report	Discussion	Follow Up
Presidents Report: Brad Eggers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are currently 215 skaters registered for the 2025–2026 season. This is an increase of 15 skaters compared to last year. • The Fall South Dakota State Hockey Association (SDAHA) meeting is approaching, and agenda items have been released: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Brandon Valley has requested to freeze 5 players instead of 10. They currently have 17 total skaters between JV and Varsity. ○ Four Bantam A teams (Sioux Falls, Brandon Valley, Yankton, and Sioux Center) have requested to move to Bantam B. After discussion, RHA supports allowing Sioux Center to move to Bantam B; all other teams to remain in Bantam A. ○ Sioux Center also requested to move their Squirt A team to B. Last season, their record was 8 wins and 4 losses. After discussion, RHA does not support this move, as this is a developmental age group. ○ SDAHA proposes a change to the allocation of the assessment fee. Currently, each player pays \$13 to the fund. The fee will remain at \$13, but a greater portion will be directed toward player development rather than the general fund. ○ A new SafeSport Director has been hired: Joe Lord from Mitchell. The first meeting is upcoming. 	

<p>House Report: Brad Eggers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No representative from House was present at tonight’s meeting. • Kent Bradley asked Brad if RHA would be interested in creating training videos for various roles within RHA. Kent has a contact who could assist with production. The estimated cost per video is between \$250–\$750. • The Board discussed the proposal and agreed that while training videos would be beneficial, they could be created internally at no cost. Given that job roles frequently change, videos would need to be updated regularly. This would result in an ongoing expense RHA is not willing to commit to at this time. If House is interested in creating the videos themselves, they are welcome to do so, but RHA will not fund the production. • House plans to revamp one of the storage rooms. Cody Minnerath and his team will take the lead on this project. 	
<p>Mites: Michelle Valco</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 teams have already registered for the mite tournament. • Mites have team funds available to them. They would like to start looking into tournament jerseys. 	
<p>Strategic Planning Meeting: Brad Eggers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee continues to meet every Tuesday at 7:30 PM via Zoom. This is an open platform—anyone interested in joining should contact Brad Eggers for the meeting link. • A few members of the committee met with Rapid City Sports Commission director, Domico Rodriguez. Domico recommends RHA be the “squeaky wheel”. Committee will start working on getting involved with the mayor and letting him know what all RHA has to offer Rapid City. They will also start building the relationship with the city. The sports commission recently did a survey asking residents what they would like to see in the new sports complex, an ice rink ranked at #4. 	
<p>Financial Report: Sandra Weaver</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Jersey’s and Jeans event has not been added to this month’s report yet. • Sandra has a copy of the Conflict-of-Interest Policy for board members to read. Board members are to read this over and at Octobers meeting we will vote on adoption of the policy. This policy is required by the IRS. • Statement of Activity (Profit & Loss) & Budget vs. Actual Revenue: Registration income is ahead of last year, but short of our 7% increase. This could change depending on payment plans, etc., of participants. Number of skaters would be a better analytic for comparison. • Expenses: Nothing significant last month. Purchased supplies for the ice in August was significantly less than it cost last year. • Overall net is \$103,902.59 to date. • Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet) Cash is healthy, CDs are down due to \$100K applied to mortgage last year. Two payments were made of \$8,000 on the mortgage before I switched them to \$7,500 for the remainder of the year. For team funds, the pre-payment of tournament registration fees has been applied to the Boys Varsity General Fund and the Squirts A/B funds (Squirts after the \$1,800 covered by RHA). Sandra would like to make sure coordinators know these balances so we might be able to make some plans for using them. • Other Items: Cash receipting procedures are being worked on currently, should be completed prior to season. 	
<p>Facilities Report: Cody Minnerath</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The compressors have been turned on. Next week the maintenance committee will start making ice. They plan to paint the lines on 9/20. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cody has been busy testing things throughout the building and so far everything is in good order. 	
Tournament Report: Brad Eggers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joelle Neutzling reports that 2 teams have registered for the squirt tournament. They have been in talks with a few other potential teams too. • Joelle also notes that both squirt teams were accepted into the Fargo Squirt International Tournament. • Peewee has decided not to host any home tournaments this season. 	
Recruitment: Lyndsay Deyo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lyndsay was able to attend the state recruitment meeting recently. The state really encouraged every organization to push the Try Hockey for Free event. • Lyndsay has been in contact with area libraries and will be sending them all bookmarks to place in each book. • A flyer was recently sent out via Peach Jar at RCAS and Douglas School District. • She has updated the “New to Hockey” brochure and will be passing these out at several area events. • Lyndsay has been in contact with Roosevelt Ice Arena and will be placing brochures at that location. • She will have a booth set up at Patriot Day, The Pumpkin Festival, The Monster Bash at The Box, Sabre’s games and the October 25th Rush game. 	
Fundraising Report: Brad Eggers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • While the Jerseys and Jeans event had light attendance it was a huge success. The final numbers are not in, but this event made about \$12,000. The parking spaces alone exceed about \$1,800. Board members who attended all reported that this event far exceeded their expectations. We are looking forward to this being a yearly event. • Chase the Ace is still alive. It is in week 33 and there is now over \$15,000 in the pot. • Alissa Orban has stepped down from her role as Fundraising Coordinator. • There are still opportunities for teams to do individual fundraisers if needed. • Sandra Weaver has applied for the license for the gun raffle; this has been approved by the city. The gun raffle will be starting soon. 	