



River Falls Youth Hockey Association
Meeting Minutes
May 14, 6:00pm to 7:30 pm
Wildcat Center



Attendance

- **Present** - Danny Schnacky, Jody Christensen, Heidi Van Nurden, John Robinson, Brigid Burhans, Megan Ross, Ben Seiser, Caryn Weingartner, Megan Wieser, Vanessa Withers.
- **Absent** - Pat Gundersen, Kyle Wright.

Call to order - Danny Schnacky

Approve Consent Agenda - Last Meeting Minutes & Current Agenda

- Danny made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Jody seconded. All in favor. MC.

Guest(s) Present & Comments

- None present

Strategic Planning

- New board member orientation. Reviewed orientation material for new board members, how we function as a board (Robert's Rules of Order), how we function as an association, mission statement, culture of respect, qualities of a high-functioning board, additional expectations, organization chart etc.

President's Report – Danny Schnacky

- Danny presented a proposal regarding capping family volunteer hours for the season at 75 hours. Jody made a motion we implement the cap as presented. Megan Ross seconded. All in favor. MC.

Treasurer's Report – Heidi Van Nurden

- Heidi provided an overview of our current financial position and relevant updates as we begin the fiscal year. Including recent discussion and rental contract negotiation with RFHS.
- Heidi presented a proposal to purchase a new stainless steel table (\$950) and a hotdog roller (\$250) to replace failing equipment in the concessions area. Jody made a motion to approve the purchases as presented. Danny seconded. All in favor. MC.

Old Business.

- None.

New Business

- On-Ice Operations
 - Skate & Skills, Tryouts, Pre-season vendor: Danny indicated that CPDC is still in the process of interviewing and will make a recommendation ahead of our next board meeting.
 - Scrimmages after D2 season commences.
 - Jody highlighted the variety of challenges we encounter when scheduling scrimmages on home ice after the D2 season begins. Discussion. Sent to CPDC for review at their June meeting.
 - 8U jersey orders
 - We have a need for 30 teal jerseys at \$32 for 8U girls for the upcoming season. Vanessa proposed we use available grant money to facilitate the purchase.

- Heidi mentioned the idea of using some of these remaining grant funds to install a water bottle fill station on the North interior wall by the player benches. Cursory glance indicates \$3600 plus installation. Kyle to request quotes for installation.
- Off-Ice Operations
 - Blackcats Coop.
 - Board entered executive session to discuss the coop and upcoming registration related items.
 - Board exited executive session.
 - Board determined to proceed with registration for youth and girls with beginning May 15th. The jersey orders link will be omitted from the girls registration

Board Comments; Q&A on submitted monthly Operations Committee Reports

- See reports below.

Comments, Announcements, Other Business

- None

Adjourn

- Jody made a motion to adjourn the meeting. John seconded. MC. Meeting adjourned.

Confirm next meeting time

- Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 11th, 2025 at 6pm at West Wind Supper Club.

Committee Reports

- See below

May 2025	Monthly Update	New Business Agenda for Discussion or Decision
On-Ice Operations	<p>Would like a little more parameters around the scrimmages; the ice schedulers group would like to recommend that scrimmages at RF rink are not allowed after D2 games start. Discussion.</p> <p>Junior Gold-no changes, just wanted to give an update that we are considering not playing in D2 this season, reasons for that are with smaller numbers it's tough to compete, so we would play a couple more tournaments, and then schedule their own game schedule. I reached out to D2 to see if they would allow us to play a partial schedule and they said no.</p> <p>Tournament updates: We have made a few changes to the upcoming tournaments, here are the tournaments we will be offering for 25-26 and were opened to register on May 1st. October 3-5 Channel the Flannel(Womens) November 14-16 12UA/B1 and 12UB/B2 November 21-23-NEW-10UA/B1 and 10UB/B2-pulled 10U out of a shared weekend with 15U, gave them their own weekend and changed classification to A/B 15UA/B1 and B/B2-Dec 5-7 Dec 13-14-Mite Holiday Extravaganza-will be offering a 8U girls bracket Dec 19-21-NEW-Junior Gold- Jan 2-4-2026-PWA/B1 and SquirtA/B1 Jan 16-18-PWB/B2 and Squirt B/B2 Jan 23-25-PWC and Squirt C Jan 30-Feb 1-Bantam A/B1-NEW-date changed due to playdowns being on the same weekend, and we also shifted level from A/B to A/B1 Playdowns-Feb 7-8 Feb 13-15-Bantam B/B2-New level changed from B/C to B/B2 Feb 20-22-Bantam C-New-we removed the mite mayhem and added a Bantam C tournament. The mite tournament is a ton of work, and only services a handful of mites as it's only open to Mite 3 level. When we changed the bantam levels we lost the bantam C option, so we decided to add that this weekend. March 7-8-we host PWB State tournament March 13-15-Final meltdown(adult tournament) Also, we have removed the penalty box shifts from dibs, and they will be filled with the teams in the tournament, each team will provide one worker.</p> <p>Contacted by the Lawn and Snow person for the apartments next door, asking if we would be willing to put signage up by the sidewalk that says entering or exiting. Apparently they are saying people drive over the curb and come into and out of our lots over their sidewalk. Their property ends about 2 inches on our side of the sidewalk which is why the sign would be on our property. I personally don't believe this happens very often if ever as usually there is a big pile of zam snow there. 8U jerseys, color teal, would order 30, logo is undecided</p>	<p>Scrimmages after D2 season starts Ordering of 8U jerseys</p>
Off-Ice Operations		
Building Operations		
Member Recruitment & Retention		
External Engagement & Communication		
Financial Operations	<p>Concession committee would like approval to purchase a table for concession stand and hot dog roller- approx. \$950 and \$250 Bingo-meeting scheduled to review processes Concession meeting to be scheduled to streamline inventory and ordering systems Waiting for response from Studio EA on design plans/timeline Met with RFHS/David Crail to finalize contract-goal is to host more Fusion games, as close to 50/50 with Baldwin as possible, no other contact changes April profit/loss and financial position summary</p>	
Fundraising & Events Operations		