

DOVER YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 2, 2026 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

6:00 PM – DOVER ICE ARENA CONFERENCE ROOM

Steve Gahan – President

Ken Burlage – Vice-President

Steeve Wintle – Treasurer

Steeve Wintle – Secretary

- I. CALL TO ORDER: The February 2, 2026, Dover Youth Hockey Association-Board of Directors Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM at the Dover Arena in Dover, NH.

The following board members were present: Steve Gahan (remote), Ken Burlage, James Blouin, Steeve Wintle (remote), Seamus Kidney, Stephanie Supple, Zach Cobb, Shannon Kennedy. Absent: None.

Other Attendees: Brett Ricci, Hannah Baldwin.

- II. BOARD CANDIDATE: Hannah Baldwin attended the meeting to discuss a potential Board position. Board invited Hannah back to attend the 2<sup>nd</sup> Board meeting in March for a formal vote.
- III. BOARD MINUTES: The Board agreed to defer a vote on the Board meeting minutes from January 26<sup>th</sup> until the next Board meeting.
- IV. FINANCE: Wintle provided an update on the following items:
1. Bingo Results –YTD through December \$36,293, January results pending, but likely to be weak. Strong start to February bingo results, with a strong Super Bowl Sunday scheduled for this week.
  2. DYHA Cash Balances as of February 2<sup>nd</sup> - Checking - \$236k; Savings \$98k.
  3. Casino update – Approval for five days for 2026 (April). Goal is to find an additional five days at another casino.
  4. Budget discussion - Wintle provided updated on status of budget preparation, with no major changes identified.
- V. BOARD POSITIONS:
1. Board voted unanimously to approve the nomination of Stephanie Supple as Secretary, replacing Steeve Wintle effective 2/3/26.
- VI. POLICY MANUAL:

1. Gahan put forth a motion, seconded by Burlage to approve the latest version of the policy manual as distributed by Gahan on January 6<sup>th</sup>. The Board voted unanimously to approve this version of the policy manual effective immediately.

**VII. ORGANIZATION UPDATES:** Gahan provided updates on the following items:

1. Coaches game – Discussion around the scheduling of the game deferred to next meeting.
2. Practice area – Burlage provided update on options for synthetic ice in the practice area.
3. Next Board meeting – Discussion about potentially moving the date of the next meeting, due to the holiday. The Board agreed to go forward with the meeting scheduled for February 16<sup>th</sup>.
4. Annual meeting – May 18<sup>th</sup> meeting date. Wintle to work on publishing a notice in the newspaper, etc.
5. Survey results – Discussion about the merits of the coaching survey, and value in continuing that in future years.
6. Coaching issues – Discussion of a number of coach related matters and follow up items related to each.
7. Skills program – To be distributed via website/Facebook for solicitations. Discussion about notifying Stride Envy prior to distribution of the RFP.

**VIII. OPERATIONAL UPDATES:** Ricci provided updates on the following items:

1. Heyliger schedule – Sixteen teams participating.
2. Next year's team composition – Discussion about teams for next year ahead of tryouts. Discussion of the total number of teams, and how the practice schedule may be planned to accommodate the potential for additional teams.

**IX. CLOSING REMARKS:**

- a. Gahan – None.
- b. Wintle – None.
- c. Burlage – None.
- d. Blouin – None.
- e. Supple – None.
- f. Ricci – None.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:05 PM