



**Apple Valley/Burnsville
Hockey Association
Board of Directors Meeting
June 11, 2025**

Board Members Present:

Mindy English, Justin Krech, Jeffrey Lantz, Brad Shear, Nick Schultz, Luke Korkowski, Chuck Rosenfield, Kelly Jo Powerstorm, Ryan Goodsmanson, Holly Pemble, Scott Roiger, Jodi Oster, Matt Czech

Board Members Absent: Emily Hindal, Randy Olson

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm by Korkowski.

Open Microphone– Korkowski:

- Several attended the meeting to discuss Pee Wee level considerations and had a thorough discussion on the pros and cons of different Pee Wee team designations.

Approval of the May 14th, 2025, Meeting Minutes – Oster:

- Motion to approve May 14th, 2025, meeting minutes by English, second by Rosenfield: Approved.

Gambling Report – Olson/Korkowski:

- Motion to approve up to \$50K in proceeds for May by Lantz, second by English: Approved.
- Request for up to \$150K in operating expenses for June by Lantz, second by Roiger: Approved.
- Request for up to \$150K in operating expenses for July by Oster, second by English: Approved.
- Motion for up to \$150 for flowers for Randy's mom, who passed away by Oster, second by Rosenfield: Approved.

Treasurer's Report – Hindal/Korkowski

- Emily Hindal will be stepping down as Treasurer.
- Motion to approve Jeff Lantz as interim Treasurer by English, second by Oster: Approved.
- Motion to approve opening the board membership to 17 seats and update the bylaws, as we seek a permanent Treasurer, by Lantz, second by English: Approved.

HDC Update – Korkowski/Sikich/Erickson:

- Eastview Co-op (Bantam) -Korkowski
 - o Bantam level will be combined with Eastview.
 - o Motion to approve Bantam level teams as: 1 A team, 2 B1 teams, 1 B2 teams and 1 C team by Schultz, second by English: Approved.
- Pee Wee Proposal -Rosenfield
 - o Pee Wee level discussion & voting resulted in leaving the team designations as: A, B2, B2, C.
- Summer Training Program -Korkowski
 - o High School: 70 are signed up for the program, along with Speed & Strength.
 - o Pee Wees: 24 are signed up.
 - o Squirts: 21 are signed up.
 - o Valkyries: 62 are signed up (including U10s & U12s) and reached the maximum number of participants.
 - o Mites: 47 are signed up.

Level Updates:

- Goalie-Borchert
 - o Would like to expand the program to ensure all have goalie instruction and a dedicated goalie coach.
 - o Would like to set up email communication to get resources/instruction to all coaches.
 - o An email was sent to the board with a proposal for enhancements for goalie training, including summer, pre-season and in-season development.
 - o USA Hockey has goalie-specific clinics that could be considered.
- Valkyries Girls-Powerstorm
 - o Had a meeting 2 weeks ago for Valkyries, with Eastview.
 - o Tournaments are scheduled and things are running well.

- Squirt-Czech
 - o Local C level tournaments are tough. B2 needs an out of town tournament, everything else is booked.
 - o Some tournaments haven't opened registration yet.
- Peewee-Roiger
 - o Tournaments are all booked. All hotels are booked, except Warroad and will reach out in Aug.
- Bantam-Goodmanson
 - o All tournaments are booked. Looking into hotels.
 - o Given the Co-op with Eastview, will need to look at B2 tournaments.
- Jr Gold-Shear
 - o Done with tournament registrations and have 1 check to mail out.
- Mite-Lantz
 - o N/A

10K Shot Club-Schultz

- Participation has been great, and the program is going well. May consider bumping up the required shots for those who have already surpassed the goal.
- Would love to get some photos of kids participating to post on social. Also considering posting something on the wall at the dryland center, given recent feedback.

Fortis-Rosenfield

- Received a SOW for the next season. It's pretty similar to last season, but the pin program will be removed. Will review access to the portal, with coaching plans.
- Will have seminars for athletes, coaches, and parents, starting in Oct.
- Will likely have some type of coaching for the coaches and considering involvement with Mites.

Volunteer/DIBS-Rosenfield

- A DIBS proposal will need to be reviewed, to establish guidelines of the program before the season starts. Considering whether all families start from scratch at the beginning of the season.

Thanksgiving Tournament-English/Pemble

- Spending a lot of time coordinating the tournament details and looking at potential ice at Hayes, to accompany what's scheduled at BIC.
- Current registrations: 10 teams for Bantam, 10 teams for Pee Wees (could potentially expand to 12), and 6 teams for Squirts (may cap at 6 or 8).
- Working on sanctioning the tournament. Will need more DIBs than in the past. Concessions will be open.
- Will be updating the schedule to a Thursday start at 3pm for local teams.

Recruiting & Retention Update – Lemke:

- Elementary carnivals went well – had so much interest. High school players only showed up at the first event, which was at Southview on 5/2. They were amazing and it is so important to have them there. We'll be reaching out to the coaches on how to better communicate to get more participation.
- Party on the Plaza this past Thursday was ROCKIN'!!! Constant line, limited kids to 2 spins, only gave one coloring sheet out per kid, and ran through about 100/150. Two more of these are left.
- Eagles Dunk-N-Fun Fest scheduled for Aug. 9th - need donations for prizes and volunteers to get DUNKED.
- Try Hockey for Free dates have officially changed per USA Hockey: Fall '25: Sat, 9/13 and Spring '26: Sat, 3/7
 - o Jeff and the ice scheduler have been notified and requested date changes - new dates should be much better for rolling new kids right into the new season
- IIHF Girls Hockey Weekend has been announced for Oct. 17-19 - working to have a skating event "bring a friend" or "mom-and-daughter/sister" skate (something along those lines).

Actions/Next Steps/Misc – Korkowski:

- Reminder for all board members to get Safe Sport training, background checks, USA Hockey registration and volunteer registration updated by the end of June.
- Eastview typically hosts the Play for Patrick tournament right after New Years, but the World Juniors will be taking place at the same time. The tournament will now be held 1/9-1/11, 2026 and we've made ice exchanges.
- Looking at getting a whiteboard on wheels for the training centers.
- Memorial Day event had 14 kids (4 teams) and recognized the Armed Forces. The event will stay at BIC for next year and would like to incorporate a cookout.

Meeting Adjourned – Korkowski:

- Meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for Wed. July 9th, 2025, at 7:00 pm at the AV Community Center.