

**Watertown Hockey  
Association 4/16/2025 - 6 PM  
1812 Brew Pub on the River  
Meeting Minutes**

<p><b>Board Of Directors</b> Vega Nutting Michael Ledoux Chris Nethers, <i>Learn to Play Liaison</i> Jordan Reber Shane Caswell Ginger Sherrill Michelle Rist Tom Eiss</p>	<p><b>Executive Committee</b> Vega Nutting - <i>Board President</i> Michael Ledoux - <i>Board Vice President</i> Brian Nutting - <i>WHA Treasurer</i> Amanda Caswell- <i>Secretary</i> Michelle Rist - <i>WHA Registrar</i> Jonathan Rose - <i>Ace Coordinator</i></p>
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- Establish Quorum Present- Majority of Directors (4 or more required)  
-Shane Caswell, Ginger Sherrill, Michelle Rist, Jordan Reber- Chris Arrived late
- Call Meeting to Order and Consent Agenda:  
- 6:27pm
- Approve Meeting Minutes from March 2025  
-Jordan motioned to approved minutes from March 2025 meeting.  
-Shane motioned second to approve minutes from March 2025 meeting.  
Ayes: 4  
Nays: 0  
Abstentions: 0
- Executive Committee Reports
  - President (***Vega***)  
No Report.
  - Registrar (***Michelle***)  
-Prospect days moved to Try Hockey for Free can be open to all if we do it after National playoffs. Players will still need to register with USA hockey but don't have to be affiliated with a specific association. This falls under USA Hockey the "Grow the Game" initiative.  
-Discussion ensued about advertising in December for Prospect/Try hockey for free dates in April. It is imperative we get information out early in 2026.
  - Secretary (***Amanda***)  
Not Report.
  - Treasurer (***Brian***)  
-No Report.

-It was presented that Sean Ryan is interested in the position. The board requested him to send a letter of interest submitted for consideration. Ginger will reach out to him and request a letter.

- Directors and Coordinator Reports

- Ace Coordinator (**Jon**)

- No Report.

- Tournament Coordinator (**Ginger Sherrill**)

- Date for 2025/26 tournaments have been selected and are on WHA website. This is an attempt to advertise early and secure teams as soon as possible. In the past we have waited until the season starts and were behind compared to other association.

- Committee Reports

- Coaching Committee (**Jon**)

- No Report.

- Finance/Budget Committee (**Brian**)

- No Report.

- Old Business

- Quick Books and Financial Report Overview (**Brian**)

- Chris is trying to arrange a time to meet with Brian to get financial information and enter into Quick Books. No financial report was provided.

- 14U Girls Full Season Team (**Shane and Ginger**)

- Discussion took place about all 14U teams sharing the same ice for practices. Concerns were raised about the all girls' team practicing with the coed and 14U AA team as that was not the original agreement when discussing the all girls' team. Due to ice time compression, there is no additional ice for just the girls' 14U team.

- Meat Raffle (**Vega**)

- No report.

- Ice time for figure skating (**Ginger**)

- Chris motioned to approve the Sunday ice slot be given to figure skating.

- No second motion was put forward.

- A lengthy discussion ensued about registration, age levels, and ice availability and about the request for ice time to be returned for figure skating. The board spent time drafting a response to the City and figure skating about their request for additional ice time. The final communication will be sent by Vega.

- At the end of the discussion Chris Withdrew his motion.

- WHA Prospect Day (**Chris**)

- Covered in Registrar's report.

- End of Year Banquets (**Vega**)

No Report.

- Advertisement of Board Positions and Executive Committee Positions
  - There was discussion about the need to run the election as soon as possible to get outgoing positions and current empty seats on the board filled in a timely manner. Shane offered to set up an electronic election and Ginger agreed to assist. Discussion ensued about who should get a vote and how votes would be assigned to player families. It was agreed upon by the board that each family would vote and each will receive 1 vote regardless of the number of players in the association. The registrar will provide the primary email addresses for each family. Ginger will create email with committee and board openings, officer positions to send to the membership to solicit interest. Letters of interest will be sent to Vega who will then give to Shane and Ginger to be posted on the WHA website and in the election system. A general agreement about urgency was discussed.
- End of Season Survey for WHA Families
  - No report
- New Business
  - Google Workspace
    - A discussion about how this will be set up and implemented by Shane for the board and association. This will be used to store all WHA board documents and associated association materials as a repository for the organization. Once established, email addresses will be set up for executive committee positions as well as board position, so individuals do not have to continue to use their personal information for association business.
- Other Business:
- Action Items
  - Ginger will reach out to Sean Ryan to encourage submission of a letter of interest for the treasurer position
  - Chris will find a time to meet with Brian to enter WHA financial information into Quick Books.
  - Vega will send ice time response to the City and figure skating
  - Ginger will create email with committee and board openings, officer positions to send to the membership to solicit interest.
  - Shane will beta test the election system with Michelle and Ginger.
  - Vega will forward letters of interest for board to Shane and Ginger for website and election platform.
  - Shane will run election as soon as possible.
  - Shane will investigate and if possible set up a Google Workspace for the Association.
- Meeting Adjournment 9:03pm