

**ACYHA Board Of Directors  
Membership Meeting Minutes  
2025**

**Meeting Type: Monthly Meeting**  
**Date: Monday October 13, 2025**  
**Time: 6:30 pm**  
**Location: NHIA Meeting Room 1**

**Attendees**

Brian Thul - President - x  
Dustin Glad - Vice Chair - x  
Scott Allen - Treasurer - x  
Kevin Pote - D3 Rep. - Ex  
Kim Nau - Secretary - x  
Michael Thompson - Boys Travel Director - x  
Norm Orstad - Girls Travel Director - x  
Scott Tousignant - ACE - x  
Derrick Raymond - Ice Scheduler - x

Julie Wahl - Sales/Fundraising - x  
Susie Melynchuk - Tournament Dir - x  
Matt Inciti - Concession Manager - x  
Jim Lewandoski - Mite Director -  
Sarah Guzman - Mite Program Director - x  
Drew Herron - Communications and Marketing - x  
Ryan Hegarty - Safe Sport -  
Wendy Mathiason - At Large - Ex  
Tina Schochow Greazel - Volunteer Program Dir -x

**Additional Representatives**

Lance McKinnon - WEB Admin/Mite Recruiting - x  
Tracee DeNeui - Gambling Mgr -  
James Tousignant - Asst. ACE -  
John Dooley - Eval Coordinator - x  
Erin Dungan/John Knutson - Equipment - x  
Kari Karsnick - Registrar - x  
Ryan King - HDC Chair -  
Miranda Hortenbach - Skate -  
Lindsey Brekker - Fundraising Director  
Liz Tratnick - Ass't Treasurer  
Michael Kautzman - Ass't Ice Sched  
Heather Arenson - Ass't Girls Travel Coordinator - Ex  
Stephanie Hagen - 2026-2027 incoming Secretary - x

**LEVEL COORDINATORS**

Bantam - Cam Opel -  
PeeWee - Peter Houghtaling -  
Squirt - Jake Standafer -  
Goalie - Andrew Cooper -

**18 Current voting members; 10 required for quorum**

<b>Topics:</b>	<b>Presenter(s):</b>
<b>6:30 pm</b>	<b>Call to Order     Brian Thul</b> <b>Roll Call         Kim Nau</b>

**Approval of Meeting Minutes: Motion: Scott A    Seconded: Dustin**

**1. Gambling Director (Tracee)**

Approval for expenses for November 2025 - \$41,400  
Approval to make an ice time donation in the amount of \$40k for September 2025  
Approval to make a payment to the city of Plymouth for the 3rd quarter taxes in the amount of \$8,391.80.  
Approval to make a payment to Old Republic for our workmen's comp in the amount of \$3,428.00. Covers 12/11/25 to 12/11/26.

**Approval of gambling report: Motion: Kim    Seconded: Dustin**

## **2. Chair (Brian)**

As the season kicks off we cannot ignore the countless hours given by so many in our organization. Camp and placements cannot happen without the dedication of our volunteer/paid coaches, placement staff and parents staffing the locker rooms. Community based hockey flourishes because of the selfless sacrifices of so many. Gratitude to all our board members and parent volunteers who have and will support the placement process.

I was fortunate to attend the U12, PW, and Bantam managers meeting. Team managers play an essential role in organizing the season to allow our players and coaches to perform at their best. Their work connects our families and builds a community. You are amazing!

Our future relies on the efforts of our U8, U6 and Mite volunteers. I couldn't be prouder of the dedication to making our new families feel welcome and supported as their players take their first steps on the ice. Thank you for building our future!

Here's to a safe, successful and fun season of WINGS Hockey!

WIFI  
High School Advertising Collaboration  
Bantam A/Mite Locker Room Update

## **3. Treasurer (Scott)**

Starting season in a good spot financially. Gain of \$166,222,44, so far. Of course, subject to change as the season goes on. \$20k CD invested - higher yield. Request to increase the budget for dryland expenses. Motion to increase the dryland budget by \$5k. Seconded - Dustin

## **4. Secretary (Kim)**

U12, Peewee and Bantam managers had their training meeting last night. Went great! If you are on a team with a newer team manager, please offer your help or steer them in my direction if any questions or issues come up. It's a big job and the more help we can give them, the better.

A big thank you to the board members that were able to attend last night. Great information was shared and it was nice for them to see the support they have from us.

## **5. District 3 (Kevin)**

See email Kevin sent to the board

## **6. Concessions (Matt)**

Stand won't be open for scrimmages. If it happens to coincide with other events at the rink, that's one thing, but stand can't be opened for just scrimmages because they vary too much.

Great Sunday with Mites event and Elite. Very busy.

## **7. Marketing/Communications (Drew)**

Last THFF is a big one - Kelly Pannek and the Walter Cup will be here!

Huge 10k puck turnout. Would like to hand it off to a more logical person to run.

**8. Registrar (Kari)**

**2024-2025   2025-2026**

<b>Boys</b>	Total	Through 10/12	Change
Bantam	41	42	2%
Peewee	56	53	-6%
Squirt	49	48	-2%
Mite 3	33	33	0%
Mite 2	27	16	-69%
Mite 1	18	17	-6%
Mini Mites	35	55	36%
	<b><u>259</u></b>	<b><u>264</u></b>	<b><u>2%</u></b>

<b>Girls</b>	Total	Through 10/12	Change
U12	25	25	0%
U10	24	23	-4%
U8 House	21	19	-11%
U8 Travel	15	10	-50%

U6	26	26	0%
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**111**                      **103**                      **-8%**

**370**                      **367**                      **-1%**

**9. ACE director (Scott)**

Having coach meetings

**10. Boys Travel Director - (Michael)**

Bantam teams are set with three teams. Bantam C's were without a goalie initially, but now have two part-timers, including a brand new skater. In a healthier spot now. Other teams are off and running with solid staff in place.

Peewees just finished with four teams. Goalie situation is solid, with nearly every team having 2 goalies besides B2. Teams are relatively light this year at Peewees, which we knew going in. HDC discussed going to larger teams, but ultimately decided against it. Staff are added and practices underway. We're really encouraged with the different staff at each level and expect it to be a good year overall.

Squirts in two weeks... Four teams with 49 total players (6 goalies, 2 PT)

**11. Girls Travel Director- (Norm)**

12 U tryouts successful

10U tryouts next week - new registration just this week

Working on 100% coverage on the locker rooms

Working on committee for Girl's Hockey day - planning lots of activities

**11.1 Girl's Assistant Coordinator (Heather)**

Registered- 23 girls u6, u8h-19, u8t-10. Looking to move 5 girls from house up to travel by early November. Dry land is being discussed and implemented soon at u8 travel. Feeling good with lead coaches at the girls level, great communication. Mite parent meetings going well!

**12. Mite Coordinator (Jim/Sarah)**

Mite parent gathering at Wicked Wort was great! Mite kickoff was fun

Mite day at Gophers - Nov

Hockey Mom Bus and Hockey Dad Activity at Top Golf

Ordering equipment from Mark as they ran out

### **12.1 Recruiting (Lance)**

2025 THFF numbers

9/13/25 - 70 Attended with 79 Registered (88% Attendance)

9/21/25 - 61 Attended with 74 Registered (82% Attendance)

9/28/25 - 42 Attended with 58 Registered (72% Attendance)

10/5/25 - 45 Attended with 65 Registered (69% Attendance)

Total 218 Attended with 276 Registered (79% Attendance)

YoY Growth 18% Attendance Growth & 11% Registration Growth

Our strategy of moving Try Hockey for Free earlier into September has paid dividends with more families attending and registering from within the 281 School District.

We have one more Try Hockey for Free event for National Girls Try hockey for Free with a special guest former ACYHA and current Minnesota Frost player Kelly Pannek joining us with the PWHL Walter Cup.

The Frost will also have a table with some fun giveaways that will make our final session of the year memorable for all that attend as well as our girls program which will be joining us that day to celebrate girls hockey.

Recruitment happened throughout the Try Hockey for Free season with our team being at Golden Valley Fest on 9/13/2025 & New Hope's Trick or Trot on 10/4/2025 which I believe helped to spur walk-in registration on Try Hockey for Free sessions on or around those dates.

### **12.1 Mite Jamboree/Secretary Shadow (Stephanie)**

Should Jamboree co-chairs be part of the board? Been in question.

### **13. Tournaments (Susie)**

Introduced Kelly that will be taking over for her in 2 years

A couple of openings in the January tournament for girls

### **14. Sales and Fundraising director (Julie)**

Gerten's closes 10/27 - 183 orders and \$15k+

Reece mouth guard day 11/1 in the morning

3 potential new sponsors

### **15. HDC Update (Ryan K)**

Bantam, PeeWee, U12 placements are completed. No HDC meeting taking place in October due to player placement process.

Changes, updates, and improvements to player placements to be discussed at the next meeting in November.

#### **16. Equipment (Erin/John)**

Nothing new to report

#### **17. Ice Scheduler (Derrick)**

In game change window, schedules are getting put together. Once we are out of game change window I will be scheduling out to Jan1st. remember to tell your teams that they need to give all info for home and away scrimmages and we do not give back practices to go to away scrimmages.

#### **18. Safe Sport Coordinator (Ryan H)**

Nothing to report this month. I will reach out to Scott Gray to understand the incidents happening in forest lake regarding SafeSport to try and get ahead of the trend before it happens in our association.

#### **19. Volunteer Program Director (Tina)**

12 Returning family buyouts. Much better than last year. 196 Returning families working their DIBS, which is right in line with my Budget.

I'm working through DIBS allocations/awards for travel coaches and managers, but need to hold off until Squirt teams are formed. Next will be crediting mite coach's hours.

Reminder: team volunteering (clock,GS,box,music,etc) for your team scrimmages/games does not qualify as association volunteering (DIBS).

Elite Tournament shifts in good shape. Only 3 shifts unfilled.

#### **20. Skate Coordinator (Miranda)**

Nothing to report

#### **Web Admin - Lance**

Internet infrastructure - As tenants of New Hope Ice Arena, I believe we should have a discussion with the city about setting up a secure subnet for the association off their existing Internet for live scoring. The arena has the infrastructure and access points across the arena to support this; whereas, if our association has to build out our own access points and infrastructure it would require power, cable runs and internet puck set up that would have monetary and time expenditures with coordination with the city.

The monthly cost if the city were to charge us would be worthwhile!

**Meeting adjourned 8:06 pm - Motion: Dustin Seconded: Scott**