



**Russell Minor Hockey Association
Board Meeting Minutes
May 25, 2025 - 3:00pm
Russell Arena, Frank Kinnaird Hall**

President	Matt Dickie	Director, U7	Ryan Licari
VP, House	Jon Gillard	Dir.; Ice Scheduler	Vacant
VP, Competitive	Chris Burns	Dir.; Equipment	Jason Gillies
Past President	Joey Abrams	Dir.; Merchandise	Vacant
Treasurer	J.F. Gagne	Dir.; Webmaster	Chris Stanton
Secretary	Carrie Asselin	Dir.; Special Events	Lore Goyette
Registrar	Shaunna Lucas	Convenor; U18-U21	Adam Olive
GHA Convenor	Tricia Zakaria	Convenor; U13-U15	Amanda Nixon
Dir.; Comm. & Sponsor	Jamie Cote	Convenor; U9-U11	Jelene Silva
Dir.; Disc. Risk and Safety	Vacant	Coach Mentor	Vacant

Call to Order and Attendance

Meeting start time: 1:48pm

Approval of Minutes from Meeting held April 9th, 2025

Motion: Skipped - Will be brought forward at next meeting

Executive Reports

President

- a. Attended GHA AGM May 22nd, (8) people attended, board members included
- b. Major update re: impending VSC's to be centralized through HEO - this will result in further delays than what we are currently experiencing - Reg is fighting against this motion with little support - action items on our part:
 - Shaunna will reach out to bench staff expiring this season
 - Jon will email members to apply now
 - Shaunna can generate tracking stats showing how many bench staff members we would have lost this season with regards to VSC deadlines - forward to Reg to assist his plight
- c. GHA has accumulated an excess float, 125K - credit or cash will be distributed across the associations - size of RMHA will determine how much we receive



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VP; House

- a. Discussion re: Player Development Funds to be either distributed amongst teams or look into hiring an outside development trainer, further discussion required - would be more cost effective to purchase as a group, however scheduling always an issue
- b. Looking for practice ice to be released for the season, although possible, may be tricky to navigate with GHA schedule coming in two parts this season - in past seasons, switches have fallen onto coaches & not the ice scheduler, further discussion required

VP; Competitive

- a. Coach selection process for the 25/26 season is almost complete - waiting on Metcalfe to vote their hosted coaches before complete list is released - with regards to Russell hosted, selections are Daniel Dubois (U11) & Devon Kunkel (U13)
- b. Canucks will remain status quo, without mergers at this point
- c. Jeff Bauder of Iconic Hockey will be working with all teams, one hour per month for player development - cost is approximately \$35 per player

Treasurer

- a. Still working to finalize budget prior to registration opening

Secretary (nothing to report)

Past President (absent)

Director Reports

Registrar

- a. Already receiving lots of registration questions



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- b. One confirmed association transfer, Matt has completed paperwork for another - we have gained one new U15 female (new to hockey), (3) new U7 profiles created
- c. Coyotes House League filled, one new player will be joining us as a result
- d. Registration opening dates, similar to last season June 10 (30) days for early bird pricing, exact dates TBD for the upcoming session

Ice Scheduler (vacant)

U7

- a. Sharing suggestions received from U7 group: having teams sorted out after a few games & one head coach for both A&B

GHA Convenor (nothing to report)

Discipline, Risk and Safety (vacant)

Equipment

- a. Looking into another U18 jersey set - will work with projected numbers to determine our needs going forward

Sponsorship & Communication (nothing to report)

Merchandise (vacant)

Webmaster

- a. Working with Shaunna to update U7 and schedule information on the website
- b. iPads have been ordered X6



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Special Events

- a. Discussion re: adding a volunteer appreciation or player banquet at the end of the season, will look into budget considerations and the possibility to develop sub-committee for the event

Convenor Reports (nothing to report)

U9 - U11

U13 - U15

U18 - U21

Round Table

- a. Matt believes Adam would be a great candidate for one of our open positions
- b. Discipline Risk and Safety will fall on VP's in the mid term
- c. Trish still working on dedication write up for the old jerseys

Next Meeting Date: TBD based on availability of meeting space

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 2:35pm, JF Gagne - Second Jason Gillies