



**Russell Minor Hockey Association
Board Meeting Minutes
December 16, 2025 - 7:00pm
Russell Arena, Meeting Room**

President	Matt Dickie	Director, U7	Ryan Licari
VP, House	Jon Gillard	Dir.; Ice Scheduler	Jen Dickie
VP, Competitive	Chris Burns	Dir.; Equipment	Vacant
Past President	Joey Abrame	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	Vacant
GHA Convenor	Vacant	Convenor; U13-U15	Kim Martel
Dir.; Comm. & Sponsor	Jamie Gote	Convenor; U9-U11	Vacant
Dir.; Disc. Risk and Safety	Adam Olive	Coach Mentor	Gord Zubryck

Call to Order and Attendance

Meeting start time - 7:01 pm

Approval of Minutes from Meeting held November 18, 2025

Motion: Shaunna Lucas, Second: Jen Dickie , Carried

New Business

Agenda item added Trish has stepped down as GHA Convenor, Kim Martel has agreed to fill the position for the remainder of the season - all in favour, position appointed

- a. Tournament Rules - Changes have been made and sent out to Board for review/suggested edits
- b. Neck Guards - U18/U21 observed several players coming into practice without their protection, Coaches need to be mindful as this is a Hockey Canada requirement
- c. Trophy Cases - Township will be making repairs to the cases (shelves bowing) we will be removing the older trophies to lighten the load, beginning with the oldest, outdated verbiage (Jon Action) TBD what to be done with the trophies once removed

Executive Reports

President

- a. GHA released the 2nd half of the schedule, U15 and U18B will be released next week



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VP; House

- a. Held Coaches meeting with Adam to review bench staff requirements, insurance coverage and player development
- b. Coaches Tournament invite went out (Jan 2nd 5-9pm) current status (30) skaters (4) goalies, team rosters to follow
- c. Updated mailbox labels
- d. Hockey Life Player Passes have been collected
- e. Esso Medals have been distributed
- f. Issues with U9 ice times being shorted by 10-minutes, should only be 5-minutes

VP; Competitive (absent)

Treasurer

- a. All coaches reimbursements should be complete - if anything is missing please follow up in case something was missed
- b. Ice fees have been paid up to December
- c. Referees have been paid for tournaments
- d. Tournament fees have all been received (including U7)
- e. Shortage showing from Sponsorship, will follow up with Jamie
- f. On track to break even for the season

Secretary (nothing to report)

Past President (absent)

Director Reports

Registrar

- a. January 10th, last day to release from official rosters
- b. February 10th, last day to register new players
- c. February 15th, last day to add affiliates
- d. Added (2) new players to U13C team



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Ice Scheduler

- a. Re: U11 tournament schedule, practice ice has been picked up in Winchester as well as evening spots in Russell (8-9pm) including Sunday slots
- b. Jan/Feb has lots of teams away in tournaments
- c. Some concern about same teams being allotted the 5:00pm practice times

U7

- a. Participated in the Xmas parade, great turnout and lots of fun for the kids
- b. B team attended the Sens game, skated at intermission
- c. Teams (6) attended the 67's Experience
- d. U7 Fun Day is full
- e. Volunteer list went out to families asking for 2-hours per
- f. Have received positive feedback on the added 9:00am ice times

GHA Convenor (vacated)

Discipline, Risk and Safety

- a. Held Coaches meeting, covered non-rostered players/parents helpers
- b. Reiterated No players vs parents games
- c. Dealing with several suspensions
- d. First Aid Kit top up, or swap out mid-season TBD, will email Teams

Equipment (vacant)

Sponsorship & Communication (absent)

****Update from Matt****

- a. Part of our Hockey Life sponsorship package included \$900 credit; looking at purchasing pucks and stick handling aids - there is also need for smaller goalie sticks U9/U11

Merchandise (vacant)



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Webmaster

- a. Looking into Teams for the RMHA board - Google Meets also has potential as it is included in our app

Special Events

- a. Sponsorship plaques to be ordered, low number required (3) will confirm
- b. Tournament medals ordered, currently as A, B, C, should be B only
- c. U11 tournament schedule was released, some teams have only one-hour between games - no changes will be made
- d. Volunteer sheets will follow this week
- e. U11 tournament will have vendors, currently selling fudge and coffee beans and will accept more
- f. Ron and Natalia (Fry Me) have donated Senators game tickets incl. parking - Karine (Foodland) donated pizza dinner - will sell raffle type entries at the tournament, format TBD

Convenor Update

U13 - U15

- a. U15 team attended Street Hockey event in Casselman

Coach Mentor Update

- a. Newsletter will be going out shortly
- b. Interest in purchasing achievement helmet stickers, will reach out to Russell Pro
- c. Willing to come help work with new skaters on their practice ice

Round Table

- a. Shaunna and JF using separate accounts discussion re: SportsPay/Sporcle, can be shared, will work together to get it sorted
- b. GHA approved U9 to attend two full ice tournaments

Next Meeting Date: January 20, 2026



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Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:12pm, Jen Dickie - Second Gord Zubyck, Carried