# NAHA Board Meeting Minutes – October 09, 2024

Meeting Called to Order: 6:05 PM at Ice Plex

## Board Members in Attendance:

Amy McWilliams, Craig Bushey, Eddy Conlon, Evan Semel, Forrest Merrill, Jared Ross, Jeff Winchester, Matt Parker, Mike Brown, Paul Snell, Stephanie Jeffrey, Tony Guzzo

## Board Members Absent:

Tory Tollefson

## Guests:

Dita Dotson-Bowser, Dan Firth, Tommy Blackwell

## Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve by Jared Ross, seconded by Stephan Jeffrey. Passed unanimously.

## Visitor Comments:

Dita Dotson-Bowser
Dita presented architectural plans to the City Council with positive feedback and no financial concerns discussed. Currently, the proposed project includes: coach and referee areas, figure skating relocation to Rink 1, mezzanine additions, seating for 1,600, gymnasium space above curling area. Aiming for completion by the 2026 hockey season. Four Zambonis planned for operation.

Dan Frith
Dan expressed interest in joining committees and requested transparency for Senior Open League (SOL) meetings. He volunteered to represent the 40+ and A divisions. Stephanie J.clarified meeting announcements on nahasol.org and explained that A division will operate separately as a scrimmage league. Dan's role acknowledged, with Troy Skinner appointed to represent the 40+ division.

## Financial Report:

- Deferred until the next meeting. Update expected on tournament registrations and typical expenses.

## League Reports:

- House League: Participation in the 6U category appears lower than years prior. "Try Hockey for Free" event scheduled for November 2. Middle school team coaching established by Josh and Lucas, who will also assist with 10U and 12U games.
- Travel League: Teams are starting league play this month.
- Senior Open League (SOL): Began this weekend without issues. Adjustments made to A division accounts with corresponding credits.

## Policies and Procedures Update:

- No updates.

## Coaches Committee:

- Josh and Lucas: New additions to coaching expected to be beneficial. Jared requested assistance in goalie training, specifically for Tiger, and suggested Martin send a call for shadow coaches.
- Conor Lucouvee: Interested in returning this summer with his coaching team.

## New Business:

Thomas Taylor Refund: Approval to refund $381 and clear outstanding balance. Motion by Amy McWilliams, seconded by Craig Bushey. Passed unanimously.

Hudson Hockey Fund Scholarship Request: Family with five children in hockey applied for scholarship support. Approved $2,640 from the scholarship fund for the Bushman family (retired military, 100% disabled veterans). Motion by Stephanie, seconded by Jared. Passed unanimously.

16U Travel Player Fund Adjustment: Single mother recently moved from Savannah; waiver request for player fees due to financial hardship. Motion to waive fees by Jared, seconded by Amy. Passed unanimously.

Stephanie j. Motioned to enter excitable session. Entered at 7:07 PM; concluded at 7:44 PM.

## Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn by Evan, seconded by Eddy.
Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.