

# GRAND VALLEY AMATEUR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

## Board of Directors Regular Meeting

Tuesday, August 19, 2025 at 7pm in person at Griff's Georgetown

**In Person: Andy Barnes, Alix Smith, Ciji Marckini, Danielle Emelander, Megan Koens, Mitch Parsons, Dave Atkinson , Brandon Gorby , John Kersaan**

**Absent: Simon Brackett, Jack Williams**

**Members: Zach Smith, Trish Barnes**

### Minutes for Regular Meeting:

- Call to Order at 7:04pm.
- Approval of Agenda for Meeting
  - Motion by John Kersaan, Dave Adkinson second - Approved
- Approval of Minutes from June 17, 2025 Board Meeting
  - Motion by Andy Barnes, John Kersaan Second - Approved
- Member Comment Period
- Hockey Director Reports
  - Mitchell - NA
  - Jack
    - LTS and LTP have been to the schools they start oct 4
    - Currently working on all the rosters for travel and inputting all of our other members getting ready for evaluations.
- President's Report – Andy Barnes
  - IC Agreement prepared for Zac Smith
  - Rink ice contracts sent to travel managers
  - MAHA Affiliate Agreement filed
  - MAHA youth hockey committee opportunity, deadline Sept 1
  - Possible player sponsorship opportunity
    - Motion for the association to approve scholarship application for fundamental player fee by Andy Barnes, John Kersaan second, all approved.
- Vice President's Report – John Kersaan
  - N/A
- Secretary/Equipment Director Report – Megan Koens
  - Hats and Garment Bags on order
  - House Jersey order sent in
  - 3rd Round of apparel in October
- Team Director/MAHA Rep. Report – Dave Atkinson
  - Adray
    - No meeting date for Directors kick off meeting as of yet

- Scheduling meeting will be October 4th - times will be communicated as more details are received
- With the current status of Adray West, we may want to look at doing things different for future seasons (all in house)
- o Mites
  - Ryan Corgan from Holland was working on stepping in and scheduling Jamborees for 2025/26 since Kory has been less than responsive. Are we good with working through Ryan on scheduling Mites?
  - I told Ryan we would schedule the same Jamboree in December that we have done for years (12/20)
  - Who is the main point of contact for GVAHA Mites?
- o LCAHL
  - Registration links were sent out to all travel team managers
- o MAHA
  - Kick-off meeting happened last week Tuesday - Andy was not able to attend.
  - Key dates
  - Start of Season is September 1. Spring rosters should be used if any teams are playing in August
  - Districts - Dates to be communicated when announced
  - Association - Affiliate Agreement (see attachment from Andy)
  - Volunteer Registrations - Safe Sport - Background Check
  - All board members must be complete before we can roster teams
- o Coaches Kick-Off
  - Agenda
    - I scheduled a meeting for Next Week Wednesday at 7:00pm
    - Zoom Call with TCS for website overview
    - Additional Discussion on TCS Locker Room
    - Practice Schedules / Power Skate / Goalie Training
      - o Player Evaluations - Team Genius (PW / Bantam if desired)
    - Referee Scheduling
    - Housekeeping / Expectations
      - o Equipment Room
      - o Board Room
    - Trophy Case
      - o Need to clean out old trophies (2016 and before can be removed)
      - o Exceptions for removal - District, State, League, Major Tournament (Silver Stick) - Keep These in the case

- Banners
  - What do we do with tournament banners
  - Mike will not hang in the rink. We can hang in the board room if we want to, but we will need a method to hang them for display
- Pucks have been picked up
  - A request for additional Blue Pucks was received. I will get another 50 on order this week
- Goalie Gear
  - We are ordering 4 new sets of quick change gear for the Mites (and CI) - I have delegated this to Zac Smith
  - I am waiting to hear what size we are moving forward with
  - Additional pads for Squirt/PeeWee may also be needed - Need to discuss
- Tim Bits Jerseys - Mites and CI
  - Looks like we get new jerseys every year and we are now bursting at the seams with jerseys
  - We need someone to tackle organizing the jerseys for the mite program going forward
  - If we have too many, we can throw out what is not needed - we don't have the storage capacity to keep everything from seasons past
- General Housekeeping
  - There have been a lot of "donations" to the association in terms of used equipment or dumping their unwanted items from home to the rink in hopes that someone will use it. We need to review some of these items and determine if they are worth keeping. If they are going to sit around a collect dust, then we can throw them away.
- TV/Monitor
  - There is no need for the TV/Monitor unless we are going to run announcements in the window
- Crossbar
  - Potential platform to use for 2026/2027 Season
  - It would be like TeamSnap on steroids - Can run everything in one location and it's also a website
- Registrar Director Report – Alix Smith
  - Fundamentals - 1
  - Mites - 44
  - Squirts 49
  - LTS/LTP opened up

- Treasurer Report – Simon Brackett
  - Resignation
  - Options or opportunities?
- Communications & Events Director Report – Ciji Marckini
  - Proposal for Season Kick off Party in October
    - Griff's Parking lot
    - Food Trucks
    - Yard games
  - No HFC this year?
  - Giving tree from Stars
  - Website Updated for 25-26 Season
  - Photography for this year
- Fundraising Director Report – Danielle Emelander
  - Raise Right is up to date and processing through
  - Starting Hat Trick Raffle
- Sponsorship Director Report – Vacant Position (Brandon Gorby)
  - Chris Kelly taking position
  - New Coming in
  - 25/26 Banners and deadlings
- Old Business:
  - Status of election for open Sponsorship Director position.
- New Business:
  - Address any open items in preparation for 25-26 Season (review of house registration numbers)
- Round Table:
  - Board member comments, input, ideas, suggestions
- Next Meeting:
  - Regular Meeting proposed for September 16, 2025 at 7pm
- Meeting Adjourned @ 8:10
  - Motion by Andy Barnes, Dave Atkinson Second, Approved.