

## **West Northumberland Wild Girls Hockey Association 2025 AGM Meeting Minutes**

### **Attendance**

Ryan Smith, Ryan Mason, Ian Koellner, Taryn Loohuizen, Brent Strand, Kate Greer Dodd, Carrie Bowman, Jen Ashley, Erin Bick, Heather Gatchell, Haley Cole, Derek Oliver, Christine Hall, Trudy Stacey, Erin Jex

### **Last Year Minutes**

Motion to accept the 2024 AGM Meeting Minutes

Motioned by Carrie

Second by Taryn

**2024 AGM Meeting minutes passed**

### **Treasurer's Report**

#### **Revenue Growth:**

Revenue increased by nearly \$36,000 year-over-year (excluding tournament income), driven primarily by fees and registration.

#### **Major Expenses:**

- Ice rental remains the largest cost at \$197,000 (excluding tournament-related rentals).
- Tournament and room rentals added approximately \$30,000.
- Development costs have increased, especially due to enhanced focus on goalie development (\$5,000 allocated), making development the third-largest expense category.

#### **Tournament Financials:**

- The tournament generated a profit of \$40,000, which supports development and helps offset registration fees.
- An electronic 50/50 raffle was introduced, netting \$2,100. This will continue as a revenue stream moving forward.
- Additional expense: purchase of tablets for tournament operations.

#### **Other Expenses:**

- Reimbursement provided to coaching staff for branded apparel purchases.

#### **Financial Health:**

- No need to access invested funds this year; investments continue to accrue interest.
- The organization has seen substantial financial growth and stability over the past decade.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's report

Motioned by Ryan Mason

Seconded by Jen Ashley

Treasurer's Report has been approved

### **Presidents Report**

Exciting chapter for WNGHA, highlight accomplishments:

#### **Key Accomplishments & Highlights:**

##### **Events:**

- Successful annual Golf Tournament
- Halloween Havoc Tournament continues to expand – hosted 74 teams
- Participation in Wild Christmas event and Santa Claus Parade, fostering team bonding and community spirit

##### **On-Ice Success:**

- Strong performance across teams; U11B, U15BB, and Senior C advanced to Provincials
- U11B advanced to OWHL Championship weekend

##### **Growth:**

- Steady increase in registration, adding 1–2 new teams annually

##### **Challenges & Advocacy:**

###### **Ice Time:**

- Ice availability remains a key issue
- Secured additional ice in Baltimore and Bewdley
- Meetings held with Town of Cobourg to address ice allocation and develop a forward plan
- Advocacy efforts in Port Hope included meetings with Mayor and Councillors and participation in focus groups to revise ice allocation policy—resulting in equitable allocation alongside NMHA
- All arenas have initiated allocation planning meetings for the upcoming season

###### **Looking Ahead to 2025/26:**

- Emphasis on enhanced coach and player development
- Monthly coaching meetings already underway to foster collaboration
- Full policy review planned over summer
- Exploring implementation of monthly ice billing for Rep teams

Motion to approve the President's report

Motioned by Trudy R.

Seconded by Erin B.

President's Report has been approved

**Motion to Dissolve Executive**

Motion to dissolve 2024 Executive - Erin B.  
Seconded by - Carrie B.  
2024 Executive dissolution has been approved

**Election of Officers**

**President (2 year term)** – Ryan Smith

Motioned by: Trudy Stacey  
Seconded by: Taryn Loohuizen  
Ryan Smith accepted the nomination.  
No further nominations received.  
Ryan Smith was elected to the position.

**Vice President, House League (1 year term)** – Kate Greer Dodd

Motioned by: Trudy Stacey  
Seconded by: Jennifer Ashley  
Kate Greer Dodd accepted the nomination.  
No further nominations received.  
Kate Greer Dodd was elected to the position.

**Treasurer (2 year term)** – Ian Koellner

Motioned by: Carrie Bowman  
Seconded by: Taryn Loohuizen  
Ian Koellner accepted the nomination.  
No further nominations received.  
Ian Koellner was elected to the position.

**Registrar (2 year term)** – Angie Colley

Motioned by: Jennifer Ashley  
Seconded by: Carrie Bowman  
Angie Colley accepted the nomination.  
No further nominations received.  
Angie Colley was elected to the position.

**Election of Directors (1 year term)**

**Ice Scheduler** – Deena Birney

Motioned by: Trudy Stacey  
Seconded by: Ian Koellner  
Deena Birney accepted the nomination.  
No further nominations received.  
Deena Birney was elected to the position.

**Director of Operations**

No nominations received.  
Position remains vacant.

**Tournament Director** – Erin Bick

Motioned by: Taryn Loohuizen  
Seconded by: Ryan Mason  
Erin Bick accepted the nomination.  
No further nominations received.  
Erin Bick was elected to the position.

**Director of Development** – Trudy Stacey

Motioned by: Carrie Bowman  
Seconded by: Ryan Smith  
Trudy Stacey accepted the nomination.  
No further nominations received.  
Trudy Stacey was elected to the position.

**Communications Officer** – Ryan Mason

Motioned by: Taryn Loohuizen  
Seconded by: Erin Bick  
Ryan Mason accepted the nomination.  
No further nominations received.  
Ryan Mason was elected to the position.

**Referee-in-Chief** – Carrie Bowman

Motioned by: Jennifer Ashley  
Seconded by: Taryn Loohuizen  
Carrie Bowman accepted the nomination.  
No further nominations received.  
Carrie Bowman was elected to the position.

**Director of Senior League** – Erin Jex

Motioned by: Taryn Loohuizen  
Seconded by: Trudy Stacey  
Erin Jex accepted the nomination.  
No further nominations received.  
Erin Jex was elected to the position.

**Equipment Manager** – Brad Pomeroy

Motioned by: Trudy Stacey  
Seconded by: Taryn Loohuizen  
Brad Pomeroy accepted the nomination.  
No further nominations received.

Brad Pomeroy was elected to the position.

**Questions and / or concerns?**

- Managers paying out of pocket for HL for tournaments, is there another way to do funds?
- Wild writes the check for the tournament, team's responsibility to collect funds to reimburse the Wild
- Will update policy this summer, reimbursement form on website that can be downloaded and submitted to executive
- Consider for back-to-back age groups for ice time allocations -> always the goal
- How to help with committees -> get names at manager meeting
- Police checks -> start the process now, post on SM for coaches / bench staff to start the process
- Expanding into ball hockey? - would have to be a spin-off of a different governing association (NBHA) for insurance purposes / be a separate organization, capacity issue from a volunteer perspective

**Motion to adjourn the AGM**

Motioned by Trudy Stacey

Second by Erin Bick

Motion to adjourn has been approved

Meeting adjourned at 7:09