



Meeting Minutes 1/13/2025

Board of Directors D155 Predators Hockey Club

Monday, January 13th 2025

6:30 PM - Goal Line

Board Members in Attendance:

John Kamph - President
Chuck Haese - Vice President
Jamie Horbenko - Secretary
Candice Wilson - Registrar
Cliff Gossman - Rules & Ethics
Elaine Magel - Treasurer

Non-Board Members in Attendance:

Kyle Burge - Hockey Director
Anne Hiles - Social Media
Joe Coffey - Member

The meeting was opened up by John at 6:31 PM.

Secretary

A motion was made by John and seconded by Candice for the approval of the December 2024 meeting minutes with no changes, all board members approved.

Roll interest in regards to next season board positions as of today, are Anne Hiles and Joe Coffey

Comments from Membership

n/a

Fundraising & Events (Open)

Senior Night has been moved to February 1st due to JV's opponent canceling their game against us on January 11th. Need to notify Nothing Bunt Cakes about the date change if we are still going to have them come. Senior photo book is almost done, just waiting for a group "Senior" picture to put on page one. New deadline for the book will be January 24th, at that time one will be ordered for each senior player. The Club ordered and received all senior banner proofs from VIP to be used in the photobook and brochure, 25 of these will be ordered. The rink has already been notified of this change in date, and we have requested tables, carpets, and microphone. Visiting teams have also both been notified. The Senior display boards are to be dropped off Saturday February 1st by 1:00 for set up. John and Kyle will be leading the senior night ceremony. Need to purchase flowers for moms the night before and assemble, Candice will get these, and Elaine will do balloons again (red, black, white, silver stars, and numbers for 2025 (need helium)) for tables and ice, etc. Games are Jv vs Lakers at 4:10, Varsity vs Barrington at 5:50.

New Player Skate(s) in January/February for 7th-8th graders will be held on Monday, January 27th at 8:30pm in the Far East Rink & Wednesday February 5th at 7:20pm in the West Rink. Current players can help but must be limited to a small number of players. Current players can only help instruct and cannot be dressed in full gear, Kyle to work with coaches to determine who/if any players will help out on those nights.

8th Grade Night for D155, this year got changed from January 8th to January 16th 6 - 8:00 pm at all schools. With both teams being out of town for tournaments we had to find representation for the schools. Mike will attend South, Shawn at CG, Elaine at PR and John at Central. Since JV has practice scheduled we need to move it up a half hour to let coaches get out in time. A 4:30 practice on that night has been confirmed. Kyle confirmed that tables have been reserved at each school. Boards are done and will be brought to the rink tomorrow. A form for interested parties to fill out will be created by Elaine and brought to the rink tomorrow w/ Name, Email, Parent Name, School & year. Anne will finish and send off the flier to Candice to print for the coaches to bring as well. Candice will get the frames for the fliers to put on the tables. John will make the social media flier to hand out.

End of season party prep was discussed and options are Top Golf, Laser Tag, Axe Throwing, Whirly ball. Candice can call to get pricing. Need to find a date that doesn't interfere with play-offs, March 2nd is All Star games, March 16 is State Champ finals.

Social Media

Senior Spotlight has been being posted on Social Media. Next, we need to start to promote the 7th/8th grade skate and Activities Night at the high schools next week.

Registrar

State Tournament, Candice will submit rosters for Junior Varsity for State Tournaments. Varsity roster is all submitted (with the new players from JV) & \$400 per team has been paid for.

Treasurer

Need to find a time to go through the budget vs actual numbers. Have to have a statement of cash flows to be able to vote on refunds for the team since this is the 1st year we have a surplus. Historically the Club will keep 2-3 months of fees in the bank. Elaine found that November and December are balancing but October is off by +\$944. Anne offered to help with the reconciliation to try to find the discrepancy.

Charity Mania has been paid out, 4 winners won \$25. There was \$1200 sent to the club, those checks are all issued and pending.

Hockey Director

Varsity and Junior Varsity player eligibility and injury hasn't changed since last month. Kyle feels Varsity has had a huge progression from the beginning of the season, and if they win Monday, they finish #9, which is 1st place in the 2nd bracket and gets Preds home ice for all playoff games. An injured player received a partial "come back to play" with a Dr. letter that states he can return for 1-2 sessions per game. Need to release Club, Board, D155, Coaches, etc from any liability for any player that is partially injured and coming back to play. John will get together an electronic form through Team Snap for the family to sign prior to getting on the ice. Kyle will help promote prospect skates and get coaches and potentially players to assist those nights.

Kyle & Candice will prepare a list of players and awards/letters & contact schools to order letters/pins.

If teams are doing team awards (i.e. MVP, Most Improved Player, Top forward, Top defenseman, etc.) players need to be identified by the coaches and coaches need to determine the award.

All Star Games are on the following days, JV Gold 12pm on 3/2/24 @ West Meadows. Varsity Champions 4pm on 3/2/24 @ West Meadows. Predators players chosen were Jake Horbenko & Cody Teson from Varsity and Ryan Knigge from JV. Going to push to get them to the All-State game.

In regards to the State Tournament - if we have to host, we pay for the ice and split it with the opponent. State voting for which players will be "All-State" is this week.

Vice President

No updates

President

Continue communication regarding general election as President, Secretary, and Rules & Ethics terms end with this season. Try to have one more push for nominees before the end of the season. Our next meeting will be the annual Board member dinner as it is the last meeting before the Board begins to transition over in March, so we need to decide on a date and venue.

Discussed the Spring Season program offerings, fee structure, goalies & skills. Due to the current goalie situation and lack of availability, they will be offered to skate for free and if they come back in the fall they would get a discount. Decided it would be a good idea to have an elevated fee for those that don't play for the Preds in Spring and Fall. We will keep the same practice and skill format of one day each per week. Due to Roy being unreliable and late to every practice this season, we will be looking into a new goalie coach, Kyle is talking with someone to see if they would be interested. Coaching wise, Shawn will not be coaching for Spring and Mike will move up to Head Coach. All others will remain the same.

Motion to adjourn meeting by John and second by Candice and Cliff

Next meeting Monday February 10th, 2025 @ 6:30 - location tbd

CLOSED MEETING

Rules & Ethics with Hockey Director
Board Only Discussion