



**Cole Harbour Bel Ayr Minor Hockey Association
Board Meeting**

Date: July 29, 2026

Time 7:00 pm – 10:06 PM

Location: Cole Harbour Place - Hockey Office

Attendees:

Jonathan Hunter	President
Roberta Hupman	Treasurer
Chris Hunter	Registrar
Victoria Macdonald	Secretary
Johnathan Dean	Development Coordinator
Jason Clark	Referee in Charge
Paul Thibideau	Ice Scheduler
Scott Graham	Vice President
Jeff McPhee	Director, Joe Lamontagne Tournament
Kevin Cowper	Director, Competitive
Chad Conrad	Director, Recreational
Meghan Gillis	Director, Manager/Treasurer
Kelsey Stoddard	Director, U7/U9

Regrets:

Stephen Slaunwhite	Director, Risk Management
Paul Birmingham	Director, Communications
Brian Hurdis	Director, Equipment
Jonathan Dean	Director, Development

Meeting called to order 7:06 pm

Item	To	Discussion	Action
1)	Agenda		
a)	<i>Additions to Agenda</i>	Meeting was called to order at 7:06pm. Meeting agenda was approved by Chad and second by Kelsey.	
2)	Minutes		
a)	<i>Minutes</i>	June Meeting Minutes were approved - Passed by Roberta second by Paul T.	
3)	Old Business		
a)		No points raised.	

4)	Executive Reports		
a)	<i>President</i>	• Discussion on Out of Area Players. Executives will need to wait on Hockey Nova Scotia direction. • Request by member was brought forward to have future AGM live streamed. After a thorough discussion we agreed on the motion below. MOTION: Partially consider the request to live stream the AGM – We will allow members to email in questions or topics they wish to discuss one (1) week prior to the AGM. This will allow members who are not able to attend to have their questions addressed and discussed. Passed by Scott, Second by Jason. VOTE: All in Favour • The President of High School Hockey reached out to state that tryouts shouldn't overlap with our schedule for tryouts this season • Member disputed the tryout process and has requested to volunteer as an evaluator during tryouts, emails were responded to and the member is aware of the decision.	

b)	<i>Treasurer</i>	- Financial statements will be provided once registration opens and funds are being received. - Scotia Bank Representative reached out to introduce themselves as this role within their branch has changed hands. Meeting with Treasurer and Manager Coordinator was set for later in the week. – Question posed by Director as to why we use Scotia Bank, Answer was familiarity, ease of use and former connections. Should there be a benefit to switch Financial Institutions in the future they could be considered. - Hockey Canada Financial Assistance Fund is opening. Applications open August 1, suggestion to open registration as close to or before the date to give families an opportunity to apply for funding. This will be communicated when we open registration to ensure CHBAMHA players don't miss out on this opportunity.	
c)	<i>Vice-President</i>	- Interviews for Recreation Coordinator took place. Recommendation for Candidate: Chad Conrad. MOTION: To elect Chad Conrad as the Recreation Coordinator. By Scott seconded by Kevin. VOTED all in favour. - Interviews for Manager Coordinator took place. Recommendation for Candidate: Meghan Gillis MOTION: To elect Meghan Gillis as the Manager Coordinator. By Scott seconded by John Dean. VOTED all in favour.	

d)	<i>Secretary</i>	• Former meeting minutes were posted to the website • Financial Statements have been uploaded to the Joint Stock Registry (Nova Scotia) and approved. • AGM minutes were typed and circulated.	
e)	<i>Registrar</i>	• Registration is opening on August 1, 2026. Hockey Canada Financial Assistance Fund will be mentioned. • U23 Registration will be delayed (date to be decided soon) • U23 Registration will need to be paid up front for the 2026-2027 season. • All ice for conditioning camps has been booked (Confirmed with the Ice Scheduler who is unable to attend the meeting) • Conditioning camps will consist of 5 ice times. • Tryout schedule was set. • Come try Hockey date scheduled for August 30th. • Conditioning Camp fees are \$150 U9-U18, \$125 U13 AAA (4 sessions only). • There will be a late fee of \$25 dollars if registered after August 23, 2026. • To attend the U13AAA conditioning camp you must be registered for U13AAA tryouts. • U13AAA tryout fees are \$380 – Should players be successful in making the team they will be refunded \$180 (funds to be applied directly to their player bank). • Out of Area Players (OOA) discussed. We will be in communication with ESMHL to see what teams they intend to roster this season. • Jersey Handout dates need to be set. • The Secretary, Victoria, will lead the tryout volunteer scheduling this season with assistance from Steve, Risk Manager, to ensure volunteers have required checks and first aid. • Call for coaches to be posted before August 4th, 2026. • Head Coaches will only be able to Head Coach one (1) team this season. A coach	

		who wishes to coach multiple teams can do so if they are assistant coaches on other teams. • Call for Coaches to be posted prior to August 4, 2026. Preapproval will be made without teams being assigned. <u>OUT OF AREA PLAYER POLICY</u> • OOA players will only be accepted to play with CHBAMHA on a top-level team only if their association does not roster a team at that level (example U11AA, U15AA, U18AA) • There will be a maximum of two (2) OOA players per team allowed on U11AA, U15AA and U18AA and only one of them can be a goaltender. • OOA players trying out will be released during tryouts after the individual sessions should they not be the top 6 forwards, 4 defense, or 1 goalie. • Should an OOA player be released there will not be a refund of any portion of the tryout fees. • U13AAA is excluded from this policy.	
f)	<i>Director, Competitive</i>	• Tryout spreadsheets and administrative work have begun. • Summer camps are going well. • Shinny is going well.	
g)	<i>Director, Recreational</i>	• Welcomed themselves and introductions were made.	
h)	<i>Director, U7/U9</i>	• Mini nets have been ordered (\$3214) plus freight. • Jerseys for U7 have been ordered and will be received in time.	
i)	<i>Director, Manager/Treasurer</i>	• Welcomed themselves and introductions were made.	
j)	<i>Director, Development</i>	• No update provided.	
k)	<i>Director, Risk Management</i>	• No update provided	

l)	<i>Ice Scheduler</i>	- Waiting to hear back from Shearwater on the amount of Ice - There is 30 minutes of Ice available at CHP in SC2 on Saturday – Board voted, yes. All in favour.	
m)	<i>Director, Communications</i>	No update provided.	
n)	<i>Director, Joe Lamontagne Tournament</i>	- Suggestion to not roster a U15B team this season. Only CMHL offers this level, and it makes it difficult for U15B teams to enter tournaments as they are limited to the teams they play against. Board discussed and we will review the number of players in U15 this season prior to deciding and consult Hockey Nova Scotia to ensure this is still a level that is offered in our region this season. - Attended the CHP Board meeting and discussed grievances and ice pricing. - Considering pulling the Joe Lamontagne Tournament from Cole Harbour Place and finding another venue – The Joe Committee met and plans to attend a sub committee meeting to discuss. - CHP is currently operating at a deficit; this is public knowledge. - Proposal to lease the kitchen space at CHP – The Joe would cover 50% of the costs for the year. We would allow teams to book this space for fundraisers. - Idea to transform the Press Box in Scotia 1 into a memorial for Tony Mitchell. - Working with CHP on additional signage around the facility to state Home of the Wings, Home of the Joe.	
o)	<i>Referee in Chief</i>	No update provided.	
p)	<i>Director, Equipment</i>	Sent update: Tryout jerseys and socks have been ordered.	
5)	New Business		
a)		No new business.	

6)	Round Table		
a)	<i>Parking Lot Items</i>	• <u>Parking lot item:</u> Review Admin Manual to discuss for approval at next Board Meeting June 17. • <u>Parking lot item:</u> Member suggested having the board preregister teams for tournaments. • <u>Parking lot item:</u> Equity and Diversity position needs to be filled. • <u>Parking lot item:</u> Manager Manual needs to be updated to state rules about use of ice (no family skates, etc.) • <u>Parking lot item:</u> Number of tournaments teams can sign up for • <u>Parking lot item:</u> Revise maximum dollar amounts on individual team budgets. • <u>Parking lot item:</u> Mandatory coach volunteers for development sessions. • <u>Parking lot item:</u> Update code of conduct. • <u>Parking lot item:</u> Mentorship program for U15 and U18 goalies. • <u>Parking lot item:</u> Review AP policies in depth and revise as needed. • <u>Round Table:</u> Suggestion to have an earlier call for coaches and managers for the 2026-2027 season. • <u>Round Table:</u> 50th anniversary stickers or patches to be purchased for next season. • <u>Parking lot item:</u> Review HC U9 Rules. • <u>Parking lot item:</u> U18 registration may be down this coming season due to addition of Cole Harbour High School team, suggestion made to celebrate “Forever Wings” • <u>Parking lot item:</u> Review the Survey results. • <u>Parking Lot Item:</u> Discuss and investigate virtual attendance for future AGM.	

Adjourned: June 17, 2026, at 10:06 pm – Motion to close: First Kelsey, Second Kevin.

Next Meeting:

July 29, 2026: 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm