

North Dundas Demons
Meeting Minutes
October 9, 2025

Present: Emily Sheldrick, Amie Scott, Amy Heuff, Tara Greer, Kenny Mills, Derek Minish, Kyle Greer, Brodie Lutz, Sarah Lutz, Courtney Mills, Nic Hubble, Amanda Thompson, Stacey Derks, Cheryl Carruthers. Adam Guy.

Rose Williams, Barb Menard from District.
Sarah Shay, Melissa McDonald, Mylene U11 Parents
Kade Carruthers

Regrets: Lisa Chambers, Mike Elshof, Brian Erwin, Emily Beach.

Meeting called to order by Nic @ 7:35pm.

Errors or Omissions: None

Motion to adopt the Minutes: Sarah Lutz, Amie Scott

Business arising from Minutes: None

Correspondences: None

Discussion with U11 Parents (as above):

- Discussion re: Process this year of changing from 2 U11 B House teams to 2 U11 C House teams.
- Next year maybe wait until coaches/evaluators get a chance to see players on the ice to make Declarations at each level.
- Executive added extra ice times to evaluate the players.
- Evaluators/Coaches brought their concerns to the Executive re: 2 B Teams.
- Made decision to change to 2 C House Teams.
- Parents are concerned that players won't develop as they are playing at a slower pace.
- Concerns re: Fair evaluations. Some evaluators know the kids, some kids are pushed through when "not as good" as others, while others help back when they should have "made the team."
- Rose purposed a "tryout process" be added to the NDMHA Constitution.
- It was also suggested that we call them Evaluations, not tryouts.
- Player Development Concerns: Players should be challenged as her Hockey Canada. Our Association will be pushing player development with Coaches this year.
- Coach Mentor (Adam Guy) will be out to Practices to ensure players aren't falling behind.

Executive Reports:

Nic Hubble- President

- First Aid Courses. Convenors to ask if there is any interest in the Executive running this for Trainer 2. The Fire Dept could run this if there is interest.
- Executives are not to be Evaluators during the “tryout” process.

We have a Vacant Position of Coach Mentor. Adam Guy has expressed interest in this position. Courtney nominated Adam, Adam accepted the nomination. Amie seconded the nomination. Everyone in favour, except Nic & Kenny (no vote).

Amanda Thompson- U13 Convenor

- Suggestion for someone to sort kids next year during Tryouts into Red & White jerseys to ensure scrimmages are “even.”
- Evaluation Forms should go to Nic, and he will store them in the Den.

Stacey Derks- Rules and Discipline

- Working on VSCs.
- People need their “receipts” from completing their Application for VSCs and they need to upload to HEO and complete their Declarations. If this doesn’t get done, they can’t be on a Roster.

Amy Heuff- Registrar

- 266 kids are Registered.
- 20 Teams.

Emily Sheldrick- U7 Convenor

- U7 starts Saturday October 11, 2025.
- Sanction form is back for Fun Day.

Amie Scott- Fundraising Director

- Ambush, 17 tables sold. Looking to sell 5-6 more tables. May consider offered tickets without supper (an arrival time of 9pm), but TBD.
- October 19, 2025, will be Photo Day at Chesterville Legion. If there are some unable to make it, maybe their pics could be taken at Osgoode, but reach out to Amie.
- Hockey bags, people will be able to order more. Amie to handle.
- Some teams are getting “gear” from other suppliers. We should try to encourage teams to use Belmonte Boys.
- Names of Sponsors for teams, need to be brought to Amie and she will present to Executive.
- Brodie motioned that U7 gets to keep their Fundraising money from their Fun Day. Sarah seconded the motion. Everyone approved, except Nic, Kenny and Brodie (as they didn’t have a vote for this).
- 3 Fundraiser ideas for a few teams. All ideas were approved by everyone, but Nic and Kenny (as they don’t have votes):

- Grand in your Hand
- Gift Card Wreath
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- Booze/Wine Basket Raffle (age of majority disclaimer needed).
- Re-enforce to teams that Fundraising money can only be used for Team Fees, not Year end Parties.
- Encourage teams to use community bank accounts for Team fees.
- Ask Convenors to remind Managers they need a letter from the Association for Community Accounts.

Tara Greer- U18 Convenor

- U18 has 2 Teams this year.

Kenny Mills- Ref Scheduler

- 15 Refs this year. Everyone is certified. Green arm bands are on back order.
- 5 Brand new Refs.
- 10 Returning Refs.
- 12 are Teenagers.

Brian Erwin- RIC

- Nothing to report.

Derek Minish- U15 Convenor

- Nothing to report.

Kyle Greer- Equipment Director

- U11 Jersey are way too big for kids.

Sarah Lutz- U9 Convenor

- U9 Teams are formed.
- U9 Tier 2= Sponsored by Electrical Company.

Courtney Mills- Ice Scheduler

- No league schedules yet. They are almost done though.
- Practice ice is uploaded to TeamLinkt until Sunday.
- All teams are uploaded into TeamLinkt, except for U7.
- All convenors are now off the teams and Managers are on each TeamLinkt account for teams.

Adam Guy- Coach Mentor

- Has a relative who may be able to help teach Coaching Clinics. Courtney will double check if the relative needs to have certifications first.
- If able to do this, will encourage coaches to come to help coaches with practice plans, etc.
- Will try to find an ice time that works for most.

Cheryl Carruthers- U11 Convenor

- U11 was a lot this year.
- Executive needs to be more transparent.
- Hard being a convenor at your child's hockey level.

Lisa Chambers- Secretary

- N/A.

Mike Elshof- Treasurer

- \$100 donation from Pickle Ball. They used our Bumpers this past summer.
- Teams need to pay Association back ASAP for Tournament Fees paid in advance. Association will only pay Tournament fees for teams in advance when a tournament is scheduled in advance or fills up quickly.

Brodie Lutz- 1st Vice President/Risk & Safety

- Body Contact clinics will be run for U13s (majors) and U15. Will happen November-ish.
- Coach Interviews, same as last year, but a lot of work.
- Suggest People apply to coach at a Level next year. As kids are selected to Teams, People are removed from the list and added to teams. Would like to do this in August so everyone is "ready" for September "tryouts."
- Suggest rewording for Constitution for Bench Help during Tryouts. Create a Policy for Tryout Process in the Constitution. Volunteers could be parents, executive, but must have RIS-Activity Leader. Could announce this on social media to call for volunteers.
- Team Declarations should be removed from Convenor "Welcome" emails.
- Team Rosters. Before announcing teams, we should ensure kids will accept their position on teams.
- Goalie Camps. A volunteer is looking to help with this ice time but isn't on a Roster. U15 C House is desperate for help; we could roster this volunteer to this team and then they can help on the ice.

****Need to fix wording in AGM voting****

Next Meeting: Tuesday November 18, 2025, 7:30pm @ The Den.

Motion to adjourn: 9:30 pm by Amie, Brodie