



OOAA Board Meeting Minutes- January 12, 2025

Called to Order: 7:00pm by Jennifer Dustow

Motion to approve Minutes of the December 15th board meeting

1st Michelle Barratt

2nd Nicole Brockhoff

All in favor

Welcome

Attendance

Kris Schultz	Nicole Brockhoff	Grant Farion
Lee Morey	Candice Wyma	Jennifer Zaffino
Tony Fairfield	Tamara Spencer	Dan Parsons
Kathleen Dengler	Jamie Steer	Melissa Deplaedt
Michelle Barratt	Diane Bjornson	Geoff Rollins
Kari Meyer	Jennifer Dustow	Jeremy Gough
Sine McDonald	Lindsay Graw	Mark Pederson
Katie Goulard	Jay Brockhoff	

Reports

President – Jennifer Dustow

Social Media and Website Coordinators – Thank You for Candice Wyma and Tamara Spencer for stepping into this role for OOAA and a huge Thank You to Kari Meyer for sharing all of her knowledge with them and helping to support this transition. Kari has put in a tremendous amount of work over the years creating parameters and policies on social media as well as the website.

- An OOAA email address has been created and will be place to store all team social media and website information to help with the transition of this position in the future.

2. **Spring & Summer 2026 Development Sessions**

- Spring Ice Schedule has been finalized, and we plan to have it posted this week.
 - Email will be shared with OOAA players/families directly from CW Development. This will allow families to reach out to Tyler or Colin directly to answer any questions they may have.
 - Early bird registration extended to end of February.
 - Registration will be shared with draw zone associations and OMHA to share with Tier 1 teams end of January.
 - **Spring Session:** April 20 – June 11, 2026 (16 skills sessions + 4 three-on-three games).
 - **Summer Session:** June 29 – August 6, 2026 (12 skills sessions + 4 three-on-three games).
 - Schedule Overview:
 - Mon/Wed: U13 & U15 Female – Evening
 - Tue/Thu: U17/U18 Male & U18 Female – Daytime (aligned with current AAA schedule)
 - Tue/Thu: U13 & U15 Male – Evening
 - Partnerships: K & M Hockey, Dallas Robbins.
- All information and coaches bios can be seen on the website under the Spring and Summer tab.

1. **Spring Evaluations – 2026 Season**

- Ice secured for all divisions – Preliminary Schedule will be posted in early February with registration opening end of February/Early March.

To recap the Spring Evaluations will look like this:

- Combined camps: U18/U17AAA
- Individual camps: U15AAA, U15AA, U13AAA, U13AA, U15AA, U18AA, U18AAA Female.

- Structure:
 - Spring open camps → Fall invitation-only main camps for some divisions.
 - Invitations signal coach interest and encourage player development over the summer.
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- Open fall camps for the following divisions: U13AA Raiders, U15AA Raiders, U18AA Raiders, U16AA Oilers, U18AA Oilers.
- Fee structure is being determined
- Implement Skill Shark for our coaches to utilize for evaluations and in season. Mark has piloted skill shark this fall and is currently using it for his team. Results have been positive, and a recommendation has been made to utilize this as an association. Cost will be built into registration fee's and is approximately 20/player. I will let Mark talk about this more when we get to him.

2. **Raiders Takeover in Strathmore.** Social media campaign to promote this event will start this week. We look forward to showcasing our program in this draw zone.

- Teams will not only be representing the Raiders program in Strathmore but they will also be wearing a helmet sticker to show their support for Livy Krall, a 9 year old ringette player from the Wheatland area who has been diagnosed with a rare and severe neurological condition that arises after a viral infection. Livy has been receiving treatment in Children's Hospital since December 6th. Helmet stickers are being supplied for the 3 – AA teams by the Wheatland Wranglers organization. The stickers are a part of a fundraising effort to support the family. 100% of the proceeds will go directly to the Krall family to help them be with their daughter during this time.
- The U13AAA Strathmore team has offered to share their camera equipment and encoder with our teams to livestream the game. Grant has been working to help coordinate this and we are extremely grateful to the team for offering us this.

VP- Jay Brockhoff- nothing at this time

Coach Director- Mark Pederson

Skill Shark- great feedback from Bowmark. Being used to give feedback from players and coaches to players.

Will be very beneficial for tryouts so that each tryout will get the same feedback.

Working with Tyler Wagner to come up with the tryout parameters. The data will stay with each player throughout their minor hockey career in Okotoks.

Edge Boss - OOAA purchased Edge Boss and it has been delivered for use by Skills developments and teams.

Saturday was Bowmark/Oiler and Raiders day. All Okotoks teams won.

U18AAA Raider Coach change, positives are evident. More compete with players, belief is growing. Players more confident with carrying the puck on the ice etc.

Mark worked with Coach Rolf, extremely engaged and committed.

Admin- Lindsay Graw

Registration ongoing for Spring and Summer sessions. Price will increase February 1st and open up to all draw zone players.

Spring sessions players are to register in the division they currently are in.
Summer sessions players are to register in the division they are moving into.

Spring tryout registration will open February 16th. Fees are currently being worked on.

Game and Conduct- Jeremy Gough

Finished one nothing on the table.

Please follow the facilities and the rules of each building

Tamara Spencer

Bowmark- Attended Circle K, sitting in 6th

U17AAA sitting in 4th

Michelle Barrett

U15AAA- 3 way tie for 3rd

Going to the Crown in Devon

In Leduc in 2 weeks for the Showcase weekend

U15AA- Sitting in 1st

In LA tournament this past weekend. Won Gold

Going to AB Winter Games in Bonnyville on Feb 14

Katie Goulard

U16AA- 4th, going well. Tournament in Jasper in February that they are hosting.

Asked for a bus exemption for the year end tournament. They will need to bus there and can release the bus once you get there.

U18AA- Sitting in 1st, tournaments are finished for the season

Foothills Bison Day, money raised with be going to Marni Eckberg.

Team will do a bottle drive and donate the funds to the

Feb 7th at the Nanton Arena - 80's theme, silent Auction, 50/50

Jennifer Zaffino

U15AA Raiders- Won this weekend. Lots of injuries. Small roster.

Going to Vancouver in February for a tournament

Candice Wyma

U13AAA Oilers – in 4th Going to Kelowna in 2 weeks for a tournament

U13AA Raiders- in 1st out of 8

Hosting Provincials

U18AA and AAA Raiders - Nicole Brockhoff

AAA Raiders, 8th place. Very successful weekend beating the 1st place team. Great momentum

AA Raiders- sitting in 4th but back by 5 games.

In Kamloops and won gold over the weekend

In the Elite rankings sitting in 21st place in Western Canada between AAA/AA teams
2nd western Canada for AA and AB
Team is doing amazing

Equipment- Dan Parsons

Getting ready for Spring tryouts. Jerseys have been ordered.
Moving things to the new locker in Murray.
Need to get brooms and garbage cans for player lockers

Kari Meyer, Tamara and Candice

Thank you Kari – huge job and for Kari's organizations

New Business

Banquet- planning in process
March 24th is the banquet date. 6pm
1st planning meeting is January 19th in the National Room
Jay Brockhoff will be the MC

Taber Arena- trying to get into Kraft Hockeyville. If you have any stories please share them with the application for Kraft Hockeyville.

Policies – update Team tournament, number of rooms, meals etc.

- Game and Conduct policy to be revamped. Jer will review and send to the Executive for approval.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:01 pm

1st Tamara Spencer

2nd Candice Wyma