



Stettler Minor Hockey Association

# General Board Meeting

April 16, 2026 | 6:00pm | SRC Meeting Room

Reid Smith  
Nicole Doan  
Melissa Lyle  
Martyne Nixon

Joel Shepherd  
Jerilyne Raab  
Halle Vanderlee

Melissa Bergstrom  
Chelsey Rowledge  
Ruby MacDonell

Kelsie Miller  
Todd Schlender  
Melissa Muise

**1. Call Meeting to Order: 6:06pm**

**2. Approval of Agenda (Additions / Deletions)**

**Addition:** Mouthguard policy wording.

*Todd Schlender motioned to approve the April 16, 2026 SMHA meeting agenda. Melissa Bergstrom seconded. All in favor.*

**3. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Reviewed last months meeting minutes & action items, which can be viewed at [www.stettlerminorhockey.com](http://www.stettlerminorhockey.com)

3.1 Outstanding Action Item:

Deidre Northrop will coordinate locker cleanup / organizing.

*Ruby MacDonell motioned to approve the March 12, 2026 SMHA meeting minutes. Chelsey Rowledge seconded the motion. All in favor.*

**4. Executive Reports**

**4.1 President** - Attended the CAS meeting, they have already secured coaches for the U11 & U18 divisions, still looking for U13 & U15. Registration fees have gone up, discussed financials and the projections look good for the upcoming season. ID skates are starting up.

**4.2 Treasurer** - Provided a breakdown of the accounts, funds in/out.

Casino: \$ 39 000.00

Savings: \$ 32 000.00

Savings: \$ 51 000.00

Savings: \$ 103 000.00



For the upcoming season, Melissa will put her name on all team accounts and provide each team manager with the username & password for their account, in hopes this will streamline things for the beginning of the season. Discussed keeping the try-out fee as part of the registration fee, not separating it into a separate fee, as well as the possibility of a slight increase to the development fee. These will be discussed further at the budget meeting.

**Action Item:** SMHA Executive board will meet for a budget meeting.

**Action Item:** Nicole will send Melissa projected numbers for the upcoming season, as well as registration & try-out fees to add into the spreadsheet.

**Action Item:** Reid will talk to Brad at The Town of Stettler to inquire what sort of ice fee increase will be happening for the upcoming season.

Nicole Doan motioned to adopt the Treasurer report, as presented.

**4.3 VP Operations** - Attended the CAHL meeting. They are trialling a new playoff format for the upcoming season, similar to the RMFHL. Discussed the AA and AAA streams messing with tiering for the minor divisions. They will have to look at doing more realignments at the Christmas break, post-tiering. At the U11 & U13 divisions, they are discussing combining tiers 1 & 2 and doing cross-over games, then looking at realignment for playoffs. Tentative Provincial dates are in the works, and CAHL is working on formalizing a policy on player additions to team rosters. Goaltending is being discontinued for the upcoming season, CAHL will be looking at a different platform to use.

**4.4 VP Development** - No Report

**4.5 VP Marketing & Communication** - RAMP is no longer supporting email addresses, SMHA will have to create new association emails through another domain.



## 5. Division Reports

5.1 U7 - No Report

5.2 U9 - No Report

5.3 U11 - No report

5.4 U13 - No Report

5.5 U15 - No report

5.6 U18 - No Report

5.7 Female - No Report

## 6. Director Reports

**6.1 Registrar** - Discussed what numbers may look like for the upcoming season and the best way to open registration. We will look at possibly opening the first 2 weeks of registration only for SMHA players, and then it will be opened up for any import players. Registrations will be accepted until the division is full, remaining registrations will be waitlisted. Looking at numbers in the U18 division, we will likely be unable to accept any overage players. This will be discussed further at the Budget meeting scheduled for the Executive board.

**6.2 Equipment Director** - No Report

**6.3 Ref Allocator** - Todd has a few more Ref bucks to hand out, seemed to go over well. The year-end Ref Surveys were sent out and ½ have already been returned.

**6.5 Ice Allocator** - Tabled discussing the ice schedule until the May meeting.

**6.5 Tournament Liaison** - Waiting for tournament dates for the upcoming season. The welcome package put together for teams has gone over well, very helpful. The banner is great, and it is nice to have a bin of reusable items.

**6.6 Fundraising Director** - Vacant Position

## 7. Old Business

**7.1 End of Season Review:** Another good turnout with reviews, similar numbers to the mid-season reviews. Chelsey is compiling the data received for the board to review and will also be sending out a coach summary, similar



to previous reviews. A separate End-of-Season survey was sent out to Coaches, as well as to Refs. This feedback is going to be very valuable indicating areas of strengths & weaknesses in our coaching & Refing departments.

**7.2 Affiliation Policy:** Nicole has updated this policy, it was reviewed and discussed, it will be changed to an Affiliation Guideline, rather than a policy.

**7.3 Year-End Division Report:** Reminder that Division Directors need to submit their year-end report to Kelsie no later than May 30, 2026 so they can be included in the AGM. Reports can be submitted to [millerbk@telus.net](mailto:millerbk@telus.net).

**Action Item:** Kelsie will send an email to all Directors reminding them to submit their Year-End report ASAP.

## 8. New Business

**8.1 AGM:** Date set for June 11, 2026 @ 7:00pm (executive board to arrive at 6:00pm). This will allow time to have the year-end back from the accountant.

VP of Development & Secretary positions are both up for election, also looking to elect a new Registrar. All Director positions will be posted for application.

Updated policies will be posted, a minimum of, 10 days prior to the AGM.

**Action Item:** Chelsey will post the notice of AGM, as well as the board positions that are up for election.

**8.2 Review of SMHA Bylaws:** The board should review the SMHA bylaws and bring forth anything that might need to be updated to the May meeting, this would provide enough time to do so prior to the AGM.

**8.3 2026/2027 Registration:** Noted under Registrar report.

**8.4 Exceptional Player Policy:** Joel has updated this policy, it is being reviewed by the board. Will discuss further at the Executive / Budget meeting.



**8.5 Evaluation Policy / Injured Player Policy:** Discussed these policies being grouped together as one, decided they need to be kept as two separate policies.

**8.6 Mouthguard Policy:** Discussed this policy and it was decided the wording needed to be changed to Mouthguard Guideline, rather than a policy.

**9. Next Meeting:** Thursday May 21, 2026 @ 6:00pm

**10. Meeting Adjourned:** 9:04pm