



## Viking Minor Hockey Minutes March 25, 2026

Meeting called to order at 5:08pm in the Louis Sutter Memorial Board Room

Attendees: Jeff Bird, Jen Amundson, Colton Dockstader, Lindsay Sullivan, Nicole Gaboury, Tyler Amundson, Rosanne Morken, Kelsey Place, Shaylen Erickson

Jeff Bird presented the agenda for the meeting. Nicole approved the agenda. Lindsay seconded. All in favor. Carried.

Jen Amundson presented the minutes from the last meeting on February 18, 2026. Tyler approved the minutes. Rosanne seconded. All in favor. Carried.

Report from U7 Director: Season has come to an end. Coaches have requested to upgrade the U7 and U9 goalie equipment.

Report from U9 Director: Team had their yearend party at the bowling alley. Team ended up with a few wins by the end of the season.

Report from U11 Director: Nicole reported that U11 divisionals went very well. Viking won against Hughenden and lost against Mallaig although the game was very close and only lost by one goal. Mallaig ended up winning the league. Last weekend the team enjoyed their wind up at the pool in Wainwright and had a team meal at McDonalds where they got to make their own ice cream cones.

Report from U13 Director: The U13s finished first place in their league and travelled to Picture Butte for Provincials on March 19-22. The top 8 teams competed in the tournament beating out 108 teams in the province. The team made it all the way to the semi final game where they were beat out by Stettler in a 5-2 game. The Gas Kings finished third place in the tournament. Season then wrapped up March 24<sup>th</sup> with a game against the parents.

Financial Report: Total Assets: \$171,204 Total Income: \$113,841.85 Total Expenses: \$80,372.95 leaving a net income of \$33,468.90. The U11 divisional raffle table brought in a total of \$1,940. Approximately \$20,000 of provincial money was put into a GIC and has continued to accumulate \$700-\$800/year.

Ice Scheduler Update: Ryan was not present but voiced to Vice President Tyler that he would like to give up his position next season. VMH would like to request that they are able to book 1-2 ice slots during HSL weekends. Would like a response by this years AGM meeting June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Skills and Player Development: Nothing to report.

Registrar Update: Nothing to report

Ref Update: Xavier was not in attendance, but discussion on whether to host a ref clinic in Viking again this fall. Jenn will talk to Xavier/Jana regarding contacting hockey Alberta and booking the clinic.

Equipment Update: Agreed that new U11 female atomic jerseys will be ordered and ready for the open skates in late August. New ice packs were purchased prior to the provincial tournament. Colton will go through the U7 and U9 goalie equipment to see what needs to be purchased.

Advertising/Sponsorship: Nothing to report

Casino & 50/50: Nothing to report

Discipline Committee Update: Nothing to report

New Business:

- U15 ID Skate: The goal will be to have a U15 Gas King team next season. VMH will host an open skate in April for this age division to see how many players are interested.
- Gas Queens Update: VMH has hosted two open skates for females in both U11 and U13 age divisions. A few new skaters came out. Also some interest from Vegreville with a few parents reaching out inquiring about the team. The association will add a few more open skates at the end of summer before the season begins. Discussion of whether a female MUST play on the female team if there is a male team of the same age group.
- Provincial Funding Policy: **New Policy** - All teams at the U13 level and above shall be eligible to receive a grant of \$5,000 from the Viking Minor Hockey Board upon qualifying for a provincial tournament. These funds are intended to offset costs associated with travel, team activities, meals and other related team expenses. **New Policy** - All non-parent coaches affiliated with any team within VMH shall be eligible for reimbursement of reasonable hotel expenses incurred in the course of required team travel. Such reimbursement shall be limited to a maximum of 3 accommodations per season and shall be subject to the review and discretion of the board.
- NEAHL Meeting: At least one member of the association will have to attend this year's NEAHL AGM on April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026 from 9:00am-5:00pm. Tyler and Jennifer Amundson have volunteered to attend.

- Player Release Policy: **New Policy** – All players requesting a release from the Association must obtain prior approval from the Viking Minor Hockey Executive before such a release will be granted in any given season. The same requirement shall apply to players seeking to join the Association from other communities; all such requests are subject to prior approval by the Viking Minor Hockey Executive.
- AGM Prep: Possibility of opening registration May 1 through to the AGM for early bird pricing.
  - As an incentive to attend the AGM, families will receive a credit to the apparel store. Amount will be decided at a later date.
  - Discussion whether to raise registration fees this season. It was agreed that fees will remain the same as in previous seasons.
  - All parents will have to sign in prior to the start of the meeting so that all attendance is recorded.

Next Meeting: June 3, 2026@ 5:00pm

Meeting adjourned @ 6:51pm