



# Vulcan Minor Hockey Association Meeting

February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026 @ 7:00 pm  
Kinsmen Room

**Attendance:** Kyle Lahd, Amy Tiegen, Derek Meier, Lowell Krystalowich, Brent Warren, Jessica Mix, and Brett Robertson.

**Called In** Shari Markert

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m by Amy

## **Adoption of December 10, 2025, Meeting Minutes**

Jessica motioned to adopt the minutes, and Brent seconded. Motion Carried.

## **Adoption of agenda**

Lowell motioned to adopt the agenda with the additions noted below. Kyle seconded. Motion Carried.

Item's added to General business

Coach Reimbursements (f)  
Year-end Coaching Surveys (g)  
Player Evaluation Policies (h)

## **General Business**

- a. Board Meeting Schedule
  - March 25<sup>th</sup> (end of season wraps up)
  - April 29<sup>th</sup>
  - May 27<sup>th</sup>
  - June 17<sup>th</sup> (AGM)
- b. Spring/ Summer Rec Guide Advertisement
  - ½ page ad is \$160 in 2026

Lowell motioned to submit an ad, Jessica seconded, Motion carried

- c. Replacement Jersey for U18 Players - Exit gift to players aging out of Vulcan Minor Hockey

Lowell motioned to purchase black or red jerseys for grade 12 players, who are currently playing in foothills, based on player preference. Jessica seconded. Motion carried

d. Ongoing referee challenges. Glen mentioned potentially joining Willowhills to relieve some of the struggles.

- Referee abuse from parents and coaches is on the rise, and CAHL is taking notice.
- Team managers need to be notified that they have the power to eject abusive parents from games after one verbal warning is given.
- A policy and plan needs to be implemented to protect current and future officials from abuse. Programs to attract new referees will need to be discussed in future meetings.
- If this issue should arise in future games, the referee must have the opposing coach sign a written approval on the game sheet before the game takes place. If no agreement is signed, then replacement referees will need to be selected in accordance with CAHL guidelines.

This issue is tabled for now, and will be discussed again at the March 25, 2026 meeting.

e. September ice start date/ projected numbers for the 26/27 season.

- U13 evaluations are highly likely for 26/27 VMHA will ensure there is enough time to conduct the mandatory 4 pre-skates and 3 evaluation skates while meeting the early October deadline for team declarations set forth by CAHL.

Amy will contact Chris to see if it's possible to open the arena on September 15, 2026.

f. Coach reimbursements

- Lowell had asked awhile ago about coach reimbursements for training/ performance tools.

Lowell motioned to reimburse Head coaches up to a maximum of \$100 for coaching platforms, training, planning, and services used to mentor players for the 25/26 season. Jessica seconded. Motion carried.

g. Year end surveys

- Use an anonymous form that includes the age group and lists of head and assistant coaches
- Begin formal coach evaluations and ensure discussions with coaches happen before summer
- First formal sit-down meetings with coaches are planned for around May
- Amy will distribute materials through TeamLinkt
- Amy will also send out a survey on the C2C clinic (to assess whether it was beneficial) as soon as possible

h. Evaluations

- Begin discussions on the evaluation process now and address ongoing concerns about fairness and transparency
- Add the item back to the agenda on the 25th for full board discussion

- **Next meeting date**

March 25, 2026 7:00 pm Kinsmen Room

- **Adjournment**

Amy adjourned the meeting at 8:25pm