

Alaska State Hockey Association
Board Meeting
January 30, 2016

Members present: Justin Marcum, Theresa Austin, Tim Zobel, Annetta Powell, David Cacciolfi, Mike Schachle, Pauline Tise, Dima Kulmanovsky, Todd Henderson, Keith Morris, Jackie Graeber, Travis Frisk, Daniel Bare (alt.), Michele Nilson (alt.), Maricar Greig (alt.) and Mike Laflamme (alt.).

Members present electronically: None

Officers present: Wayne Sawchuk, Joe Newhouse, Matt Shasby, Anna Culley, Carol Hammingh, Keith Berrian and Mike Ashley.

Members excused: Darryl Thompson, Brenda Luthi, Dave Ruiz, Mike Barth, Jack Tragis, Merit Waldrop, Jason Dinneen, Carlos Gomez, Joey Merrick and Eric Simmons.

USA Hockey Officials present: None

Visitors present: Reid McDonald

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 by Wayne Sawchuk, acting president. Introductions were made of those present. The agenda was approved as presented. The minutes were approved with one correction, Keith Berrian should have been marked as excused at the previous meeting.

Persons to be heard: Reid McDonald addressed the board concerning the selection process for Selects. He asked the board to look into the process they use for selecting players.

President's report: Wayne Sawchuk read Darryl's report (see attached).

Finance Report: Joe Newhouse presented the financial statements.

VP Tournaments: Carol Hammingh moved to accept the seedings of the tournaments presented and to allow the final seeding of the Bantam Tier II and PeeWee Major to be overseen by herself and the VP Comp when the league games are completed January 31, 2016. There was a second, and the motion passed.

VP House: Anna Culley reported that they are working on seeding for the house state tournaments. They are working on a chart for game lengths. They have started discussions on a super tournament for next year. They are also talking about a developing a policy on how state tournaments are run so there will be consistency.

VP Girls/Women: No report.

VP Adults: Keith Berrian reported that several associations have had issues with claiming players on registration. The Labatt's Tournament will be April 28-May 1 with approximately 80 teams coming.

VP Player Development: Wayne Sawchuk thanked all the volunteers who helped out at Selects. Thanks went to Annetta Powell and the Boeke staff and to AHA for use of their office. He said it was great to have UAA and UAF coaches participate in the camp. There will be a Player Development meeting on April 7, 2016 at 6:30 at the Moose office. The 13/14 Camp is April 8-10, 2016 with ice between Friday at 5:00 pm and Sunday at 2:00. On Saturday there will be a couple of USA Hockey presentations. School calendars are different next December statewide, which would make Select Try-outs on December 23-24, which won't make many coaches or families happy. So, the best scenario is to have the 15, 16, 17 Select Camp on February 18-19, the week after the High School State Tournament. Teams still would have plenty of time to prepare for their state tournament. Nationals are April 6-10, which helps. Districts will be March 2-5 or March 9-12. 14, 16, 18 Tier II could go February 24-26 or March 3-5 or March 9-12. If Anchorage hosts districts, it could be a different weekend. 14, 15, 16 Tier I will only have two teams at best, so that will be easy to schedule.

VP Comp: Matt Shasby reported that the CIC coaches will vote today on whether to move High School hockey to a fall sport. Discussion was held on a match penalty that was incurred in a league game and how it does not have to be served in a league game. Keith Morris is going to write something up which would require Tier II teams to play the Tier I teams and present it at the next meeting. Ben Boeke is expected to be down in October and November, so associations will need to work together on ice.

Discipline Committee: No report.

Associate Risk Manager: No report.

Registrar: No report.

Referee-in-Chief: No report.

Coach-in-Chief: No report.

Junior Hockey: No report.

Safe Sport: Mike Ashley went to the winter meeting and felt he learned a lot. In most cases, there was no monitor in the locker room. He encouraged everyone to Google Manassas Virginia Hockey Coach.

Alaska ADM Coordinator: No report.

National Tournament Committee: There is a fundraiser tonight at the Elks Lodge from 7-10 for the Tier I team.

Old Business:

The electronic voting and telephone policy was tabled until the next meeting.

New Business:

Jack Tragis is in charge of the nominations committee this year. Offices up for election are President, Treasurer, VP Comp and VP Adult. Please let Jack know if you are interested in running for one of these positions.

Board Member Comments:

Maricar Greig commented that the Pond Hockey Tournament will be held March 4, 5 and 6, 2016.

The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, April 23, 2016, at 10:00 at the Dimond Center Hotel. This will be the annual meeting, so all board members will need to be seated for the upcoming season.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Luthi

ASHA Secretary

(Thanks to Carol Hammingh for taking minutes in my absence!!)