



PNAHA ANNUAL FALL MEETING  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2016 MINUTES

COAST WENATCHEE CENTER HOTEL &  
WENATCHEE CONVENTION CENTER  
201 North Wenatchee  
Wenatchee, Wa 98801

**Committee Meetings and Roundtable for Coaching and ADM begin at 9:20 a.m.**

A preliminary round of team declarations was done to facilitate League Roundtable.

Dru Hammond, PNAHA President called the meeting to order at 10:21 AM

**1. SIGN-IN**

- ◆ Sign-in sheets distributed and are an official record with these minutes. Voting delegate sign-in sheet completed with the following delegates present:
  - PNAHA President – Dru Hammond; 1<sup>st</sup> PNAHA Vice President – Robby Kaufman; 2<sup>nd</sup> PNAHA Vice President – Rob Azevedo; Secretary/Treasurer – Debbie Didzerekis
  - Member Organizations: EYH – Gary Gusinsky; IEAHA – Dave Nieuwenhuis; KVHA – Les Grauer; WSHC – Nikki McCann; MLYHA – Tyler Banning; SKAHA – Doug Kirton; SAYHA – Brad Moon; PSAHA – Jared Bucci; TCAHA – Dan Holland; VYHA – Jason Hirt; WAHA – Tami Gurnard; WWFHA – Jim Funfar; YAHA – Nate Coppock
  - Member Organization not represented – SJHA and WCAHA

**2. INTRODUCTIONS** – Personal introductions made by the PNAHA Board of Directors and special guest Donna Kaufman.

**3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

- ◆ Minutes from June 18, 2016 Spring/Summer PNAHA meeting were presented to the board, Brad Moon, (SAYHA) motion **[to approve the minutes as presented]**, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gary Gusinsky (EYH), motion passed, minutes approved.

**4. TREASURER REPORT** – DEBBIE DIDZEREKIS

- ◆ Debbie Didzerekis (PNAHA Secretary/Treasurer) presented copies and reviewed the June – August 2016 Treasurer Report. Noting a balance overage of \$125.00 which is related to a cash deposit, the overage is still being reviewed. Ending balance as of August 31, 2016 is \$113,811.04. Tami Gurnard (WAHA) motion **[to approve the treasurer report]**, 2<sup>nd</sup> Rob Azevedo (PNAHA 2<sup>nd</sup> VP), motion passed.
- ◆ PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2016-2017

- ◆ Debbie Didzerekis (PNAHA Secretary/Treasurer) presented the 2016-2017 Proposed PNAHA Budget. Noted changes, added under Income Miscellaneous Donations, under expenses, increased PNAHA Meeting Rooms, removed eFax, added Goalie Directors stipend and expenses, added Block grant portion to Pacific District, increased Travel – USA – Seminars and High School Showcase. Brad Moon (SAYHA) motion **[to accept proposed Budget for 2016-17 as presented]**, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Doug Kirton (SKAHA), motion passed.

**5. SPECIAL GUESTS**

- ◆ DONNA KAUFMAN, USA HOCKEY PACIFIC DISTRICT DIRECTOR
  - ◆ Donna Kaufman discussed that next week is USA Hockey Youth Council meeting in Plymouth, MI, main topic will be flex hockey. District meeting for October will be in San Diego, CA. The district meeting held in Hawaii resulted in the adult league moving to USA Hockey, the youth hockey program is not looking at moving to USA Hockey. Hawaii now has about 25 referees. Donna noted it is a Rule Change year for USA Hockey and any rule change submission should be in by November 1, 2016.

**6. OFFICER'S REPORTS**

◆ COACHING DIRECTOR – ROB KAUFMAN

- ◆ Rob Kaufman reported on his experience at the Select 14 Camp and what a great experience that was to participate in. It gave our 17 WA players a great experience to work with some wonderful hockey people on pre/post work outs. Jordan James a fitness guru from the Seattle area was a hit with the participants. Players also attended Seminars and got great info on taking responsibility for their training. This is a combined camp, CA, WA, AK, OR and NV. Rob also wanted it noted that Doug Kirton is a 2<sup>nd</sup> time camp National Champion!
- ◆ Upcoming CEP Classes: Sept 24 – Levels 1 & 2 in Kirkland, Oct 1&2 – Levels 1, 2 & 3 in Spokane, Oct 8 – Levels 1 & 2 in Everett, Oct 29<sup>th</sup> – Level 4 in SeaTac (Please remember to alert all your level 3's that this is a great opportunity to get that Level 4) Nov 19<sup>th</sup> – Levels 1 & 2 in Wenatchee, Dec 10 & 11 – Levels 1, 2 & 3 in Tacoma
- ◆ State Development Camp will be in Wenatchee January 28 & 29, 2017, check in will be Friday January 28. Please remind associations to have Bantam/Midgets available for that weekend. Rob will be contacting coaching directors for nominations. Remember kids playing elsewhere are eligible to come to the state development camp. There was some discussion about the allotment and do those kids playing else were that are invited to districts without going to development camp take one of the WA

allotted spots. The answer is no, Districts have some at large spots they can use for players they feel should be at the district level.

- ◆ A new directive Dru Hammond, PNAHA President would like to see is that those players moving on from Development camp are brought together for some more specific “what to expect at districts” and some education on how to market themselves once they arrive at districts.
- ◆ GOALTENDING DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR - MIKE LANDRY
  - ◆ Mike is looking forward to getting out to various associations and working with them to improve their goalie training, he will start visiting associations this coming month. Please reach out to him if you'd like him to come to your association. Mike phone number is 509-438-2714 or [goalielab@gmail.com](mailto:goalielab@gmail.com).
  - ◆ The Goalie Development training program is updating materials on USA Hockey Goaltending ([www.usahockeygoaltending.com](http://www.usahockeygoaltending.com))
- ◆ DISABLED COORDINATOR - TAMI ENGLISH (No Report)
- ◆ GIRLS/WOMEN DIRECTOR– CINDY DAYLEY
  - ◆ Cindy was unable to attend but submitted her report. All Girls/Women teams who plan to attend Districts need to submit their declaration by Oct 1, 2016. Female Development camp dates are TBD and will be announced at the January PNAHA Meeting.
- ◆ ADULT HOCKEY DIRECTOR - ANDY COLE
  - ◆ Andy Cole (PNAHA Adult Hockey Director), PNAHA is the governing body over the WA Adult hockey league. Last time Andy attended the meeting he shared the issue of adult hockey being charged retail sales tax, he is happy to report that they passed a bill that defined “no team sports can be charged retail sales tax.
- ◆ SUPERVISOR OF OFFICIALS – BEN STAEHR
  - ◆ REPORT FROM STEVE STEVENS: With the start of a new season the changes in administration the Officials sector is updating and restructuring the outdated manner in which we have been doing business to a more efficient system. We are going back to one PNAHA Director of Officials or RIC. This person will then appoint an East and West director to work closely with him/her. With the growth of Disabled Hockey we will be appointing a PNAHA Disabled RIC, they will be responsible for scheduling and holding seminars in this area and scheduling Officials for events. This coming year we have the National Disabled Festival in San Jose, CA. Ben Staehr will be the PNAHA RIC and Tony Milles will be the Disabled Sector RIC. We are looking forward to a progressive and productive season and encourage all to support our Officiating staff and Officials.
  - ◆ Ben has appointed Dan Boelens – West Side Assistant (email: [dboelens@gmail.com](mailto:dboelens@gmail.com)) and Leigh Rose – East Side Assistant (email: [pucks4me@aol.com](mailto:pucks4me@aol.com)). These two will be Ben’s eyes and ears on their respective sides of the state and will be assisting in evaluations and aid in state tournament selections. In addition to that they will be helping Ben conduct state tournaments.
- ◆ REGISTRAR/RISK MANAGER – WENDY GOLDSTEIN
  - ◆ Wendy was unable to attend but submitted her report.
  - ◆ Here is the breakdown of teams for the 2015-2016 season 28 Adult, 2 Women, 1 Sled, 78 Youth and 8 Girls. The registration numbers for 2015-2016 season are 7644 players, 650 coaches, 173 managers, 272 volunteers & 38 others for a total of 8777 which makes up 15.3% of the Pacific District.
  - ◆ All associations should have the new portal for the 16.17 season. If you do not have the software and had it last season, open your 15.16 season portal and request the 16.17 portal. It is important for **all players** (including adults and in-house players) to be claimed by their association to complete the player registration process.
  - ◆ Important Roster Requirements for Players: All players must have d.o.b. & citizenship verification, and foreign born players must have an approved transfer prior to being placed on a roster. The portal will not allow rostering without the approved transfer.
  - ◆ Important Roster Requirements for Staff: All staff must have screening completed prior to rostering, all staff must have SafeSport certification prior to rostering, Coaches must have current CEP certification by 12/31/16 and Coaches must have age appropriate module by 12/31/16. Please do not roster players or staff that do not meet the requirements listed above. Players and staff will be redlined (not eligible to participate) and will have to be added back once they have completed the USAH mandated requirements. Coaches that do not completed their CEP certification or module by 12/31/16 will be redlined on that date and no longer eligible to participate. Games do not count for credentialing purposes until rosters have been submitted and approved. The approval date will be the date the rosters were originally submitted.
  - ◆ **Travel permits** are required for teams participating in games or tournaments in Canada. The association registrar can provide a blank form to the teams which needs to be submitted to Wendy Goldstein ([schawendy@sbcglobal.net](mailto:schawendy@sbcglobal.net)) for approval. Travel permits will not be issued to teams that do not have a roster on file. If a team is participating in a League in Canada, a single travel permit can be used for all games within League play.
- ◆ LEAGUE COMMISSIONER – TAMI GURNARD
  - ◆ Team Declarations
    - Tier I –16U NL - Everett
    - Tier II – 14U NL – Everett, Kent, Seattle Jr, Sno-King, Spokane, Tacoma
    - 16U NL – Sno-King, Spokane

18U L – Everett, Sno-King, Spokane, Tri-Cities, Wenatchee  
18U NL – Seattle Jr, Tacoma  
B Teams – 14U NL – Everett, Tacoma, Vancouver, Wenatchee, West Sound  
18U NL – Everett, Spokane  
Festival – 10U L – Moses Lake, Spokane, Tri-Cities, Wenatchee  
10U NL – Everett  
12U L – Moses Lake, Spokane, Tri-Cities, Wenatchee,  
12U NL – Everett, Vancouver, West Sound

- ◆ Brad Moon (SAYHA), motion [**suspend rules for only U10/U12 declarations, for 1 week from today (9/17/16)**], 2<sup>nd</sup> Tami Gurnard (WAHA), motion passed. A conference call will be scheduled to include Everett, Kent, Moses Lake, Seattle Jr, Sno King, Spokane, Tacoma, Tri Cities, Vancouver, Wenatchee, and West Sound – along with the PNAHA Board on Wednesday 9/14/16 at 7:30 pm.
- ◆ SAFESPORT – ADAM YOUNG
  - ◆ Introduction of Adam Young the new Safesport Coordinator for PNAHA. Adam reported that Safesport is good for 2 seasons not 2 years. For example, you completed Safesport December 2014, you are good for 14-15 season and 15-16 season. There is a refresher option for those that have completed the Safesport program. Key items of importance in Safesport is locker room monitors, safety, billets background checks. Visit the Safesport page for additional information. Dru Hammond is working with SportNgin on getting the Background checks tables to display so please be aware that there are multiple tables but the one labeled Safesport and Background check is not accurate. If there are questions please direct them to Adam Young.
  - ◆ Dru Hammond wanted to remind everyone that you are all mandatory reporters so if you see something you are required to report it. Everyone needs to stress to their associations that they need to make sure they are adhering to the Safesport requirements.
- ◆ ADM DIRECTOR WEST SIDE – DOUG KIRTON
  - Updates from Joe Bonnett**
    - ◆ Hosted 5 Nation Tournament in Dallas. Won Gold.
    - ◆ Ivan Hlinka Team finished with Silver
    - ◆ Mid AM Hosted an ADM HIGH PERFORMANCE Clinic (See attached)
    - ◆ Strong Legislation was decided upon by Paul Day out of Mid Am (See Attached) (Please do not circulate...just refer to it).
    - ◆ Anaheim Ducks Have been added as model club on three levels (Rec, Women's and AAA)
    - ◆ One Size fits ALL....ADM MANDATES (good comments by President Jim Smith)  
<http://www.usahockeymagazine.com/article/2012-08/one-size-fits-all-adm-ice-mandates>
    - ◆ SEE Mid American District Hockey Letter – attached
    - ◆ SEE Labor Day Development Camp 2016 flyer – attached
    - ◆ SEE Labor Day Development Camp 2016 schedule – attached
  - ◆ ADM DIRECTOR EAST SIDE – HERMAN CHO
    - ◆ Spokane and Tri-Cities are making great strides to go full ADM, Herman shared his experience with Joe Bonnett and encouraged everyone to utilize him if you have the opportunity.
  - ◆ 1<sup>ST</sup> VICE PRESIDENT – ROBBY KAUFMAN
    - ◆ Robby recapped the League Rules committee call that occurred prior to the PNAHA meeting.

#### **LEAGUE COMMITTEE**

**Composition** – The PNAHA League Committee shall consist of the League Commissioner, League Scheduler, League Statistician, League Representative selected by each Member Association that has teams participating in the League, and the PNAHA Vice Presidents. The League Commissioner shall serve as the Chairperson of the PNAHA League Committee.

**Duties and Responsibilities** – It shall be the duty and responsibility of the League Committee to oversee league operations and continually reviewing the League Rules making recommended changes to the PNAHA Board of Directors. Note: for the 2016-2017 PNAHA League, the League Committee shall select the Committee Chair during the Fall 2016 PNAHA Meeting.

#### **TIER II CERTIFICATION COMMITTEE**

**Composition** – The PNAHA Tier II Certification Committee shall be comprised of either the Hockey Director or Coaching Director of each Member Association that has a team that has declared by October 1<sup>st</sup> of the current playing season to be Tier II Nationally Bound. The Chairperson of the PNAHA Tier II Certification Committee shall be appointed by the PNAHA President.

**Note: If a Member Association does not have a Hockey Director or Coaching Director, the Member Association's Board may appoint a person to this committee.** The intent is to include on this committee, persons whose substantive hockey experience will allow them to make neutral, consistent, and objective decisions about relative hockey competition levels between teams within PNAHA and judging that competitiveness within the US and Canadian hockey landscape

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certify each PNAHA Tier II National Bound team using the criteria set by the PNAHA Board of Directors.

*c. All Tier II National Bound teams must be certified according to the criteria set for*

Marketing Rules - Evaluate all marketing, social media and printed materials about the team.

Recruiting Rules - Must follow PNAHA Rule 14 and Coaching Ethics

League Participation Consideration - Reference PNAHA Rule 18, Placement of teams in League play: consider strength of schedule in the league and standings.

Tournament Participation - Team needs to submit all tournaments they have attended and plan to attend.

Team needs to attend recognized and advertised Tier II or AA tournaments. Must comply with paragraph (a) of the National Bound Requirements in the PNAHA Rule and Regulations Article V- Tournaments.

My Hockey Rankings - All Tier II National Bound teams must be listed on My Hockey Rankings as a Tier II team. All scores of all games and opponents must be properly recorded. All score sheets must be made available upon request.

- ◆ Robby Kaufman (PNAHA 1<sup>st</sup> VP) motion [**accept what rules committee has done with composition**], 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brad Moon (SAYHA), **all in favor, motion passed.**
- ◆ 2<sup>ND</sup> VICE-PRESIDENT – ROB AZEVEDO
  - ◆ Rob went over the USA Hockey Zero tolerance and also reminded all associations that they need to use impartial people in the discipline hearings. For guidance on discipline proceedings refer to the USA Hockey annual guide Bylaw 10 – Dispute Resolution, Discipline, Arbitration.
- ◆ PRESIDENT – DRU HAMMOND
  - ◆ Pacific Coast League – Dru attended a meeting with the Pacific Coast Board of Director on August 15, 2016. They are re-launching the initiation program, a mandate to ensure the first hockey experience is rewarding and fun. Handouts were shared with the PNAHA board.
  - ◆ Integration to be Implemented by July 1st

7. TOURNAMENTS

- ◆ SET DATES – LOCATIONS ON ALL CLASSIFICATIONS
  - ◆ TIER I– FEB 2, 2017 (1 TEAM) - EYH
  - ◆ TIER II – Either 3/14/16 OR 3/18/16 – SAYHA, 3/11/16 – TCAHA could host, this tournament must be held at least 2 weeks before Nationals.
  - ◆ 10U/12U FESTIVAL – (NO BIDS)
  - ◆ “B” State - March 25, 2017 – West Sound. Brad Moon (SAYHA) motion [**accept West Sound as host of the State B tournament**], 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jared Bucci (PSAHA), **all in favor, motion passed.**

Discussion regarding number of teams that would be at the Festival tournaments, since teams for festival and state B only need to be declared at the January meeting. Dru will work with TCAHA and SAYHA to verify who can host Tier II and the Festival. West Sound is looking to host the 16U and 18U B tournament.

◆ DISTRICT TOURNAMENT DATES

| Dates               | Division                  | Location                  | Host               |
|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| 02/24/17 - 02/27/17 | Women - All Ages & Levels | Santa Barbara, California | Combined           |
| 03/02/17 - 03/05/17 | Girls - All Ages & Levels | Anaheim, California       | Anaheim Lady Ducks |
| 03/09/17 - 03/12/17 | Youth Tier 1 14U          | Anchorage, Alaska         | Alaska Oilers      |
| 03/09/17 - 03/12/17 | Youth Tier 1 15           | Las Vegas, Nevada         | Las Vegas Storm    |
| 03/09/17 - 03/12/17 | Youth Tier 1 16U          | Las Vegas, Nevada         | Las Vegas Storm    |
| 03/09/17 - 03/12/17 | Youth Tier 1 18U          | Anchorage, Alaska         | Alaska Oilers      |

◆ NATIONAL TOURNAMENT DATES

| Division                         | Location                   | Host                          | Dates                  |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| Youth Tier I (14U)               | Scottsdale, Arizona        | Arizona Amateur Hockey        | April 6-10, 2017       |
| Youth Tier I (15-year-olds only) | Scottsdale, Arizona        | Arizona Amateur Hockey        | April 6-10, 2017       |
| Youth Tier I (16U, 18U)          | Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania   | Pittsburgh Penguins Elite     | April 6-10, 2017       |
| Girls Tier I                     | Rochester/Macomb, Michigan | HoneyBaked Hockey Club        | April 6-10, 2017       |
| Women's A, B, C                  | Rochester/Macomb, Michigan | HoneyBaked Hockey Club        | April 6-9, 2017        |
| High School                      | Cleveland, Ohio            | Cleveland Suburban Hockey     | March 30-April 3, 2017 |
| Girls Tier II                    | Troy, Michigan             | Troy Youth Hockey Association | April 6-10, 2017       |
| Youth Tier II (14U)              | Coral Springs, Florida     | Florida Panthers Ice Den      | April 6-10, 2017       |
| Youth Tier II (16U)              | Frisco, Texas              | Texas Amateur Hockey          | April 6-10, 2017       |

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|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Youth Tier II (18U) | Lansing, Michigan    | Lansing Hockey Club | April 6-10, 2017 |
| Sled                | San Jose, California | Sharks Ice          | April 6-9, 2017  |

8. OLD BUSINESS

9. NEW BUSINESS

- ◆ OFFICIATING CHANGES – Report under Supervisor of Officials section.
- ◆ CA TIER I APPLICATION – At the June 2016 PNAHA meeting, Steve Laing was in attendance, and shared with the board the California Hockey Tier I program.  
Here is the link to the CAHA document.

<http://caha.com/docs/Application%20For%20Tier%201%20Inclusion.pdf>

- ◆ NEW LEAGUE FORMATION WITHIN PNAHA – presented to the PNAHA Board for consideration.  
Assigned to the Rules committee for review.

**8.1 NEW LEAGUES:** New Leagues may be recognized and approved by CAHA based on the following conditions:

- a. New league applications and all corresponding documentation required by CAHA Bylaws must be submitted to the CAHA Youth Council by November 1 of the calendar year before the start of the first season planned by the prospective league.
- b. New leagues must meet all qualifications outlined in the CAHA Bylaws.
- c. League application will be voted upon by the CAHA Board of Directors following certification by the Youth Council that the application is complete and all requirements have been met.
- d. Upon approval by the Board of Directors, the new League may participate in CAHA State Youth Championships subject to meeting all the requirements outlined herewith.

- ◆ RULE 14

President, Dru Hammond reminded members that with the changes to Rule 14 from the previous meetings that for the Festival tournaments the composition of the teams cannot come into question for the tournament as she wanted everyone aware that there are 2 teams in Moses Lake that prior to the changes to Rule 14 would not qualify for the Festival but now with the changes they are eligible to play.

10. ASSOCIATION REPORTS- A round table of things going on at each association .

11. WINTER MEETING MEETING

- ◆ JANUARY 7, 2017 AT COAST HOTEL WENATCHEE

12. ADJOURNMENT – Brad Moon (SAYHA), motion **[to adjourn at 2:41 pm]**, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tami Gurnard (WAHA), **all in favor, meeting adjourned.**



PNAHA Treasurer Report  
As of August 31, 2016

Balance as of May 31, 2016 \$ 104,190.04

Income

|                          |                     |                      |
|--------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| District Tournament Fees | \$ 2,600.00         |                      |
| Misc Income              |                     |                      |
| Cash Bonus               | \$ 39.22            |                      |
| Donation                 | \$ 275.00           |                      |
| Grant Funds              | \$ 3,940.75         |                      |
| Player Fees              | \$ 7,265.00         |                      |
| <b>Total Income</b>      | <b>\$ 14,119.97</b> |                      |
|                          |                     | <b>\$ 118,310.01</b> |

Expenses

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|--|--------------------|--|
| Legal & Professional                   | \$ 10.00           |  |
| Meetings-Motels                        |                    |  |
| Food                                   | \$ 442.42          |  |
| Meeting Room/Hotel Rooms               | \$ 1,236.40        |  |
| Misc Expenses                          | \$ 59.71           |  |
| Bank Charges                           | \$ 7.00            |  |
| eFAX                                   | \$ 13.52           |  |
| Equipment                              | \$ 620.57          |  |
| Gift                                   | \$ 43.40           |  |
| Office/General Administrative Expenses | \$ 81.56           |  |
| Printing                               | \$ 201.56          |  |
| Storage                                | \$ 63.29           |  |
| PNAHA Travel                           | \$ 1,386.88        |  |
| Travel-USA-Seminars                    | \$ 332.66          |  |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>                  | <b>\$ 4,498.97</b> |  |

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