



UTAH AMATEUR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes



Meeting Date:	2 December 2024; 7:00 PM
Meeting Location:	Maverik Center Conference Room
Chaired By:	Geoff Fisher
Minutes By:	Don McFarland
Minutes Status:	Final

Agenda Item:	1	Topic:	Roll Call / Quorum Confirmation			
Name	Representing	Present	Name	Representing	Present	
Executive Board Members						
<i>Geoff Fisher</i>	<i>UAHA President</i>	Y	<i>Chuck Dorval</i>	<i>Exec. Vice President</i>	Y	
<i>Adam Bailey</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>	Absent	<i>Don McFarland</i>	<i>Secretary</i>	Y	
<i>Cody Madsen</i>	<i>VP Adult / Sled</i>	Zoom	<i>Anna Erickson</i>	<i>VP High School</i>	Zoom	
<i>Jacob Hickman</i>	<i>VP Youth</i>	Y	<i>Bryce Mannek</i>	<i>VP Discipline</i>	Absent	
<i>Melissa Mossberg</i>	<i>VP Girls</i>	Y	<i>Tim Odell</i>	<i>VP Tier</i>	Zoom	
<i>Steve Picano</i>	<i>VP Growth</i>	Y	Quorum Achieved (Requires X)?		Yes	
Board Appointed Staff						
<i>Vacant</i>	<i>Webmaster</i>	--	<i>Vacant</i>	<i>Safety Coordinator</i>	--	
<i>Wendy Radke</i>	<i>SafeSport Coordinator</i>	--	<i>Robyn Eyre-Long</i>	<i>Utah Registrar</i>	Y	
<i>Michael Strahan</i>	<i>CEP Rep / ADM Coord.</i>	--	<i>Reid Jacobson</i>	<i>Goaltending Dev.</i>	--	
<i>Tim Tate</i>	<i>Utah Referee in Chief</i>	--	<i>Andy Van Wagoner</i>	<i>President WIHOA</i>	--	
Other Attendees:						
<i>Kathlee Smith</i>	<i>RMD Director</i>	Y	<i>Erin Drecksal</i>	<i>Jr Grizzlies</i>	Y	
<i>Lynn Fanning</i>	<i>Park City</i>	Zoom	<i>Angela Steinbach</i>	<i>Utah Lady Grizz</i>	Zoom	
<i>Frank Monestere</i>	<i>Utah Lady Grizz</i>	Zoom	<i>Kristi Davis</i>	<i>Ogden</i>	Zoom	
<i>Nikki Jones</i>	<i>Wasatch Wild / PC</i>	Zoom	<i>Mariko Rollins</i>	<i>Ogden</i>	Zoom	
<i>Jeff Kite</i>	<i>Jr Grizzlies</i>	Zoom	<i>John Howe</i>	<i>PC</i>	Zoom	
<i>Josh Harrington</i>	<i>Parent</i>	Zoom	<i>Lee Smith</i>	<i>Renegades</i>	Zoom	
<i>Patrick Jacobsen</i>	<i>DCYHA</i>	Zoom	<i>Nate Martinez</i>	<i>Utah Hockey Club</i>	Y	
<i>Kristen Bowness</i>	<i>Utah Hockey Club</i>	Y	<i>Sara Smith</i>	<i>Oval</i>	Y	
<i>Josh Anderson</i>	<i>Oval</i>	Zoom	<i>Jeff Kite</i>	<i>Jr Grizzlies</i>	Zoom	
<i>Morgan Richardson</i>	<i>Ashley Valley</i>	Zoom	<i>John Howe</i>	<i>PC Ice Miners</i>	Zoom	

Agenda Item:	2	Topic:	Review of November 2024 meeting minutes			
Presented by:	Don					
Discussion(s):	<p>The minutes were presented for review.</p> <p>There were 2 changes needed, with Kathleen wanting clarification on the ownership of the registration platform. This is a platform owned by Olga, the district's registrar.</p> <p>The other change was associated with the spelling of a name for Emmalynn. This was suggested by Anna.</p> <p>No other changes were needed and a vote was called.</p>					
Approval:	Motion By:	Steve	Second By:	Jacob		
	For:	All	Against:	None	Abstain: None	



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Agenda Item:	3	Topic:	Old Business – Posting of UAHA Roles			
Presented By:	Don					
Initial Discussion:	<p>The amalgamated job posting was pulled together, with the details from all the various board members. The posting was submitted with the changes being largely to incorporate the feedback of the other board members. There was an adjustment to the date of posting close, based on the posting coming before the board in the Dec 2024 meeting.</p> <p>When asked about the current webmaster, the concern was with access to the domain. With the contract being expired already, and the previous history with High School not being a problem, there is not a significant concern with access.</p>					
Motion:	Motion By:	Chuck	Second By:	Steve		
	Motion:	<i>Approve as submitted</i>				
Discussion(s):	Send to member services, so it is sent to all registered participants.					
Approval:	For:	All	Against:	0	Abstain:	0

Agenda Item:	4	Topic:	New Business – Player Transfer Request			
Presented By:	Don					
Initial Discussion:	<p>New rec player moved into Idaho, coming from California, and is looking to play. Based on their home, the Ogden Jr. Mustangs are the closest program to them and the one that works best with the families’ needs.</p> <p>The player release from their California affiliate was on file, but there was no registration in Idaho, so there will be no rink / program release from Idaho.</p> <p>Geoff and Kathleen confirmed a release from Idaho, in the form of an affiliate notification, is needed.</p> <p>Chuck expressed concern about the continued creep of Idaho. The family mentioned that Ogden was the closest program, albeit only by a few miles vs Idaho Falls and Logan. The practice schedule at Ogden works better for their needs.</p> <p>Kathleen clarified that a district requirement exists for the affiliates to coordinate and discuss programs in Idaho.</p>					
Motion:	Motion By:	Jacob	Second By:	Cody		
	Motion:	<i>Approve request, contingent on the release from Idaho.</i>				
Discussion(s):	<p>Tim indicated he was good. No further dissenting opinion.</p> <p>Don to send contact info to Geoff for the release and then Mariko needs the IMR number.</p>					
Approval:	For:	All	Against:	None	Abstain:	None

Agenda Item:	5	Topic:	New Business – Utah Hockey Club Membership			
Presented By:	Geoff					



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<p>Initial Discussion:</p>	<p>Application made as a sub-affiliate through Robyn and Geoff. Focus is on the LTP initiatives, with 600 sets of gear and USA hockey registration. This is for coed and girls, with events at each facility. The focus is on new players, with no tier or travel right now. They look to add 600 new youth, with 12-15 coaches on staff.</p> <p>The LTP programs will run 6-8 weeks at the various rinks.</p> <p>Utah Hockey Club</p> <p>Kristen is registrar Nate is President</p> <p>Looking for youth only this season</p> <p>Mariko will sponsor the new affiliate.</p> <p>Nate is the VP over the Jr Jazz, which is the flagship program around the country and league. Currently focused on street and floor hockey, with street hockey league a possibility. Looking to replicate a program.</p> <p>Kathleen encouraged them to plagiarize for their P&P requirements. Also clarified their board size is good.</p> <p>Jacob – clarification on the desire to not develop travel and tier in the near future. Wanted further info on timeline. Kathleen clarified that UHC may not have a choice, based on some changes coming from USA Hockey. Tier may be restricted. USA Hockey may create a definition of tier 1, which goes into effect in 26-27.</p> <p>Kathleen clarified that Kraken and Vegas took over a program and there were lessons learned. In Vegas grew, 483%, then shrunk 208%.</p> <p>Nate clarified that the focus is on getting new kids into hockey, then rink, then looking to expand.</p> <p>There were 60 sets of street hockey gear that were provided and they are now gone.</p> <p>Working through the existing orgs and helping to understand their various needs. Nate reiterated that they are not looking to take over, but would like to partner and help with resources and how they can help.</p> <p>Geoff clarified the natural progression of hockey is help with growing through the ground up.</p> <p>Nate clarified that their LTP efforts is meant to help build the individual rink eco system and introduce new players.</p>
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	<p>UHC has learned things from the models introduced in Vegas.</p> <p>The focus is on retention. Recommended to tread lightly and work with the various affiliates to ensure the retention of all programs.</p> <p>Kathleen reiterated that a reset of the parent mindset is needed and the goal should be kids playing hockey, not that my 8 year old is playing AA.</p> <p>Don cautioned the “no travel” verbiage, given the designation of “travel” for B level.</p> <p>With respect to the LTP events, the host rink is the one that can decide how they are going to claim them within the portal. Robyn can work with the Kristen to show the numbers for growth.</p> <p>Chuck was going to make a motion and Don suggested that he make the motion, using the language from previous.</p>					
Motion:	Motion By:	Don		Second By:	Jacob	
	Motion:	<p><i>“To allow this application by Utah Hockey Club organization and to approve membership into UAHA, effective immediately, with a bypass of the 1 Feb application due date for 2024-2025, and allow the UHC to be mentored under the Ogden Jr Mustangs, with Kristen Bowness as the association registrar and a stipulation to reapply for next year, per the P&P requirements.”</i></p>				
Discussion(s):	No further discussion					
Approval:	For:	All	Against:	0	Abstain:	0

Agenda Item:	6	Topic:	New Business - Social Media			
Presented By:	Robyn					
Initial Discussion:	<p>Took over this aspect ~2 years ago and no longer has capacity to own social media. Looking for help with board members to help share stuff from the outside world.</p> <p>Only guidance is that they cannot promote non-USA Hockey events. The USA Hockey Club can be used.</p> <p>Is there a collective management concern, with people not doing something, since they cannot.</p> <p>Melissa is willing to help, but doesn’t want to own it. If the program is USA Hockey, we can promote it. Lots of people will follow UAHA, but we do not follow.</p> <p>Don can help with this as well.</p> <p>Looking for aspects of:</p>					



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coaches corner - Parents in the penalty box - Hockey 101 - Sharing of information 					
Motion:	Motion By:	N/A		Second By:	N/A	
	Motion:	N/A				
Discussion(s):	N/A					
Approval:	For:	N/A	Against:	N/A	Abstain:	NA

Agenda Item:	7	Topic:	Presidents Game			
Presented By:	Geoff					
Initial Discussion:	<p>Rivalry game was awesome and provided an amazing experience for the attendees.</p> <p>Clarification that jamboree events (e.g., 8U jamborees) need to be sanctioned as a special event with the registrar.</p>					
Motion:	Motion By:	N/A		Second By:	N/A	
	Motion:	N/A				
Discussion(s):	N/A					
Approval:	For:	N/A	Against:	N?A	Abstain:	

UAHA Committee Section Reports		
Section	Owner	Discussions
VP High School	Anna Erickson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - P and P committee convene on 11 Dec for the HS docs - HS is reviewing already, to include grievance process. This is not related to on-ice, SafeSport or other policy not identified in the current policy. - Girls league – tournament 31 Jan – 2 Feb is the latest final answer - Looking to come up with a policy on what to report to SafeSport. It was mentioned that this is on the SafeSport tab of the registrar page. Tom will present this at the board tomorrow, but was encouraged to refer to the policy...be very cautious on telling them not to report. Refer parents to SafeSport manual. - HS is moving forward with gamesheet and has taken some baby steps already. - Adding on scholarship and 2 smaller scholarships in the memory of Emmalynn H.
VP Girls	Melissa Mossberg	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kristen and Melissa talking about other events. - Girls Hockey social media page - Went to wildcats skate, with Kristen, as a 1x monthly skate
VP Adult / Sled	Cody Madsen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Working on the possibility of an adult tournament. - Nothing new with sled hockey
VP Youth	Jacob Hickman	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - UAHL comm meeting – Thursday following UAHA at 7:30P - Voting members are associations with orgs with 1 or



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		<p>more teams, plus UHC. This is on zoom, using Jacobs link.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Currently, the tournament is over two weeks (Feb 24 – Mar 8 – games in Provo, Ogden and Oval. Mite madness is carved out. Trying to keep divisions centrally located. Will be weeknights (between 5:30 – 9:30) and then weekends. - 6-9 Mar is RMD camp and may impact player families - Mite Madness is going to be through UHC. Dates are TBD and working to find the ice. - Gamesheets – now ready to pull trigger on ipads, although not all rinks are ready to host. - Kathleen is concerned with rinks being gifted the ipads. The 501c3 should not be gifting the ipad to the government agency. Jacob clarified that the rinks will host it, but the ipads are owned by UAHA. - Kathleen suggested that we do a roll out to associations with an age group. Then expand. Kathleen believes that these ipads will be missing. - Can tell when a game is pseudo game is uploaded. - Kathleen suggested that County and Provo shouldn't be given the ipad, given they are not USA Hockey. - It was clarified that league admins can change scores
VP Tier	Tim Odell	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Met last Tuesday as a tier comm. - State camp – work through budget. Steve, Ally and Yvette are looking for budget. Looking at price increase, with signups 1 Feb. Steve believes we are still the cheapest signup in the RMD - Tier 2 playoffs – 18 u have met the qual, with Ogden 1 and oval 2 - 14 and 16 are still playing
VP Growth	Steve Picano	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Paperwork and flyer for state camp. Ice and jerseys are being handled. - Next week will be a growth meeting next week, to talk about Feb hockey across America. Pushing the week out for all programs. Looking to add other events across multiple rinks and programs.
VP Discipline	Bryce Mannek	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Not present – no update.
Registrar	Robyn Eyre-Long	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Numbers in the state are growing. Total numbers are <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 1940 - Youth o 1920 - Adult o 710 – High School o 142 Unclaimed and going down o 110 youth teams o 68 HS teams o 130 Adult teams, with 1 new womens team and several adult league registrations expected in Jan. - National bound training is being pushed back, based on info coming from Darla that is going to be trained next week. - Roster freeze is 15 Dec for everyone but tier 1, with tier



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 being locked on 31 Dec. - Over 100 coaches are set to expire at the end of month – No exemptions are expected and no temporary cards. 60+ seats open for the level 1. Even if after the 15th, they can get redlined. - Rare exemptions for first responders, military, etc. Temp cards from last year, should not have been done.
CIC/ADM	Michael Strahan	- Not present and continues
Goaltending Development	Reid Jacobsen	- Proxy update - Looking for loaner equipment for Feb try goalie for free. They are specifically looking for quick changed.
SafeSport	Wendy Radke	- No update
Safety Director	Vacant	- Position will post
Webmaster	Vacant	- Position will post
Treasurer	Adam Bailey	- On a plane
Secretary	Don McFarland	- P&P updates are delayed with update to team in Jan meeting
Executive VP	Chuck Dorval	- Nothing new
President	Geoff Fisher	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Talked to Don about bling (hats, jackets, etc.) Don will show a proposal. - Working to get everyone a jacket on the board - New member orgs

End Of Meeting: Closing				
Next Meeting Date / Location:		6 Jan 2025 / Maverik		
Adjourn Meeting:	Motion By:	Steve	Second By:	Geoff
	Discussion:	Possibility of venue change	End Time:	8:32 PM