

2020 SDAHA SPRING MEETING MINUTES

MAY 9 2020

TELECONFERENCE CALL

Attending the meeting as voting delegates were Randy Honkomp (SDAHA PRES), Tony Lief (SDAHA VP), Mike Hunter (SDAHA SEC), Jeff Scheel (SDAHA TRES), Mike Schmidt (ABRDN), Tim Gutormson (BISA), Sam Johnson (BV), Curtis Bales (HHA), Nathan Sanderson OHA), Mark Zens (Mitch), Dan Laughlin (RAPID), Bill Waring (SC), Adam Gorra (SFYHA), Heath Larson (YANK) and Lucas Deutsch (WAT).

Also attending the meeting were Jenni Wirkus (SDAHA EX.DIR), Cherry Hunter (SDAHA RISK MANAGER\SAFESPORT), Cade Bloomenrader (SDRIC), Curtis Egan (SDAHA GROWTH/RET), John Sievert (BOYS TSD), Rob Kittay (BOYS DEV), Shelby Edwards (GIRLS DEV), Vince Foley, Tom Hitchcock, Kelly Koenig, Justin Kircheval, Ron Dobesh, Lori Goldhammer, Jaycent Reimnitz and Shane Wirkus.

It was determined that there was a quorum and Randy called the meeting to order.

To start the meeting there were 2 proposals on the table that were not on the agenda.

Proposal #1 By-law 3.9, Player transfers.

Motion was made by OHA and 2nd by BISA to allow proposal #1 to be put on the agenda.
MOTION PASSED BY 2/3 vote.

Proposal #14 Removal of JV State Tournament.

Motion was made by HHA and 2nd by WAT to allow proposal #14 to be put on the agenda.
MOTION FAILED.

Motion was then made by OHA and 2nd by RAPID to approve agenda. MOTION PASSED

Motion was made by OHA and 2nd by SFYHA to accept the minutes from the fall of 2019 meeting.
MOTION PASSED

PROPOSALS

1. BYLAW 3.9 Player Transfers

Motion was made by BV and 2nd by Mitchell to accept the proposal as written. MOTION PASSED
By-law should read:

3.9 Player Transfers: Players may be transferred from one affiliate to another, but only with the written consent of the releasing and receiving member. Any refusal to permit a transfer may be appealed to the SDAHA Board of Directors. Such appeals shall be made and determined pursuant to Section 4.3 of these By-laws. Player participation is first determined by the amateur hockey program or association within the School District the athlete is enrolled. If the School district the athlete is enrolled does not have an amateur hockey program or association, the players participation will then be determined by the nearest affiliate amateur hockey program or association. "Nearest" is determined by Google definitions from (city or town) to (city or town). Once approved, individual Player Transfers shall remain in effect for the duration of that player's participation in SDAHA. If the player wishes to void the approved Player Transfer, a new Player Transfer request is required to be submitted for consideration. Player Transfers within South Dakota: If a South Dakota player wishes to play in different association within the state, the two local affiliates need to consider the player request. If both affiliates within South Dakota agree, the transfer request shall be sent to the SDAHA State President for his approval. This will allow the transfer to be completed. Player Transfers from South Dakota to another State: If both affiliates involved agree, and it has been approved by the SDAHA State President, the approval process needs to go to the district director level.

2. Article 5 BYLAWS SEC.5.3,5.4,5.6 AND 5.8.

Motion was made by BISA and 2nd by SFYHA to approve proposal as written. MOTION PASSED

By-law should read:

ARTICLE 5 - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

5.1 Power: The government and authority of SDAHA will be vested in its Board of Directors. That Board shall establish the policies for SDAHA will have the management and control of the property and affairs of SDAHA, will elect the officers of SDAHA and will have all the powers that may be exercised by a Board of Directors pursuant to law, except as otherwise provided in the Articles of Incorporation and these By-laws. It is specifically contemplated that the Board of Directors will have the power to take all action deemed appropriate by it for the best interests of ice hockey in South Dakota.

5.2 Composition: The Board of Directors will be composed of at least three members, the majority to be selected through an annual democratic election process as provided in Section 5.4, which election process and any changes thereto will be subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of USA Hockey

5.3 Terms of Office: A Director's term shall begin at the spring meeting and he/she shall serve until his/her successor is elected and qualified. A Director may serve any number of successive terms on the Board of Directors.

5.4 Directors: Each Participating Member will be entitled to one Director. If director is unable to attend a meeting, his/her Participating Member association may appoint an alternate that will have all rights of a Director at that meeting. If the participating Member association appoints an alternate, the association must inform SDAHA of the alternate in writing, by U.S. mail or by e-

mail, no less than 20 days in advance of the regularly scheduled meeting. The SDAHA president may waive the 20 day notice requirement upon request, and such waiver must not be unreasonably withheld. If a Participating Member association desires to appoint an alternate for a special meeting of the SDAHA Board of Directors, they must obtain the approval of the SDAHA President in advance of the meeting, which approval must not be unreasonable withheld.

5.5 Voting Directors: Members eligible to vote on SDAHA matters at hand shall include the elected directors outlined in Article 5.4 of the SDAHA by laws, or their approved alternates, as well as the elected officers of SDAHA as outlined in Article 6 of the SDAHA by-laws. The president shall vote only in the event of a tie on any matter at hand.

5.6 Directors' Duties: It will be the duty of the Directors to act as liaison between that member and the SDAHA.

5.7 Director Emeritus: The Board of Directors will have the authority to appoint one or more persons to the position of Director Emeritus in recognition of distinguished and lengthy service to SDAHA. A Director Emeritus will be a non-voting member of the Board, but in all other respect will be entitled to all the rights, privileges, duties and responsibilities of other Board members.

5.8 Vacancies: Vacancies in a directors position will be filled for the unexpired term by an appointment within the member association involved in the loss of a Director. Upon the appointment of a replacement Director, the Participating Member association must promptly notify the SDAHA President and Secretary of the identity of the replacement Director.

5.9 Removal of Directors: Any Director may be removed from office by a two-thirds vote of all elected Directors then elected and qualified at a meeting called for that purpose with proper notice to the person involved, with or without cause, whenever in the Board of Directors' collective judgment the best interests of SDAHA will be served thereby. A statement of the proposed removal of such Director, which statement may be drafted by the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee for submission to the Board for a vote on the proposed removal, will be mailed by registered or certified mail to the Director at his/her last recorded address at least 15 days before action is taken thereon, together with a notice of the time and place where the Board of Directors are to meet. The Director will be given an opportunity to make a presentation at the time and place mentioned in such notice.

3. Adding Playing Rule 10. Game misconducts/suspensions. (Head Contact)
Motion was made buy SDAHA VP and 2nd by SDAHA SEC to accept the proposal as written.
MOTION FAILED.
4. Playing Rules f. Other Items: iii. Play Down Petitions
Motion was made by SDAHA VP and 2nd by Mitchell to accept Proposal as written. MOTION PASSED.
Rule should now read:

Playing Rules f. Other Items: iii. Play Down Petitions

Play Down Petitions: Petitions to the SDAHA Board of Directors to play teams at a level lower than required must be made no later than August 15th for Varsity and Junior Varsity levels and decided before September 1st of each year. Petitions regarding all other levels teams must be made before September 15th and decided before October 1st of each year. Petitions for teams to play at a lower level must be supported by a documented history of inability to compete at the league level where playing rules dictate the team shall play. Any team that plays at a league level as a result of a successful play down petition shall be ineligible to compete in the state tournament.

5. BY-LAW 7-1

PROPOSAL FAILED DUE TO LACK OF MOTION.

6. Playing Rule 4.f.i.3

Motion was made by Mitchell and 2nd by SC to accept the proposal as written.

MOTION PASSED

Rule should now read:

4 Team Levels:

f. Other Items:

i. Freeze 10 Rule (Varsity Only)

3 Exception: If the extent these rules would cause a Jr. Varsity team to play with less than 11 rostered players, this rule does not apply and shall freeze whatever number of players are in excess of the 11 players. Those remaining players still must remain the same for the 2nd ½ of the Jr. Varsity season, barring a season ending injury to a Jr. Varsity player.

7. Playing Rule 11

MOTION FAILED FOR LACK OF A 2nd

8. By-Law 5.4

This proposal was added to proposal 2

9. Rule 10 Page 5 of State Tournament Rules

Motion was made by BISA and 2nd by BV to accept the proposal as written.

MOTION FAILED

10. State Tournament Rule 18, a, page 6

Motion was made by BISA and 2nd by Watertown to accept the proposal as written.

MOTION PASSED

Rule should now read:

- a. The host association should use the seeding procedure in establishing game times for the first day of SDAHA state tournament play. The order of play on the first day of the state tournaments for all levels shall be #3 vs #6, #2 vs #7, #4 vs #5, then #1 vs #8.

11. State Tournament Rule 2,c,page 3
MOTION FAILED BY LACK OF 2nd

12. State Tournament Rule 2,d,page 3
MOTION FAILED BY LACK OF 2nd

13. No proposal

14. Proposal did not make the agenda

15. Playing Rule 11,b,page 8

Motion was made by SDAHA TRES and 2nd by HHA to accept the proposal as written.
MOTION PASSED.

Rule should now read:

- b. The video should then be submitted to the SDAHA Discipline Committee Chairperson OR an individual deemed appropriate by the SDAHA President. The video review must be submitted within 14 days of the date of the incident/video. Failure to submit the review within 14 days will forfeit any right under the Video Review Policy.

16. State Tournament Rule 8,d, page 5

Motion was made by SDAHA TRES and 2nd by SFYHA to accept the proposal as written.
MOTION PASSED

Rule should now read:

SDAHA pays for all trophies and medallions through assessments. The SDAHA president will request bids on all these items from among the trophy dealers in the member association communities. The bids are due back by the 15th of January each season. The SDAHA president will arrange to have the trophies, medallions, and plaques delivered to each tournament.

17. State Tournament Rule 2,c, page 3

Motion was made by SDAHA TRES and 2nd by Watertown to accept the proposal as written.
MOTION PASSED

Rule should now read:

The Ice Surface at State Tournaments for the PW, Bantam, GU14, GJV, and Youth Junior Varsity shall be resurfaced during the 2nd intermission. The Ice Surface at State Tournaments for the Girls Varsity and Youth Varsity shall be resurfaced at the first intermission and the 2nd intermission. For all levels when there is/are overtime periods, the ice is to be resurfaced between the first and second overtime period and every other overtime intermission thereafter.

18. Playing Rule 10,c, page 7

Motion was made by SDAHA TRES and 2nd by Watertown to accept the proposal as written.
MOTION PASSED

Rule should now read:

- c. Suspensions: If a player or coach receives a game misconduct penalty and is required to serve an additional game suspension under USA Hockey or SDAHA rules, the following general rules apply:
- iv. When a suspension occurs, it must be served in the next, already scheduled, USA Hockey sanctioned game, whether it be league or non-league. If the player/coach does not serve their suspension in the appropriate game immediately following the game in which their penalty occurred, the player will serve the suspension and the coach goes before the Chairman of the Disciplinary Committee for possible further disciplinary action.
 - v. Suspensions can only be served only in previously scheduled games. A pickup game cannot be inserted in the schedule to allow a player or coach to serve a suspension.
 - vi. All suspensions should be noted on the game score sheet when the suspension is being served. If the suspension is not noted on the score sheet, the coach and the player (if the suspension involves a player) will need to serve an additional game suspension. (9/06)

19. State Tournament Rule 2,h, page 4

Motion was made by SDAHA TRES and 2nd by SFYHA to accept the proposal as written.

MOTION PASSED

Rule should now read:

In the Youth Varsity, Girls Varsity, and JV State Tournaments only, there will be no places determined other than Consolation Championship (5th/ 6th Places), 3rd Place Championship (3rd/ 4th Places), and Championship (1st/ 2nd Places).

20. Playing Rule 9,d, page 7

Motion was made by SDAHA TRES and 2nd by Watertown to accept proposal as written.

Motion was then made by BISA and 2nd by OHA to amend the proposal as written below.

MOTION PASSED WITH AMENDMENT

Rule should now read:

- d. League teams may not schedule more than three blocked weekends between the start of the levels first weekend of play to that level's state tournament weekend prior to the anticipated league schedule being issued for that level. "Blocked" weekends mean a team does not want to schedule any league games on those weekends. For Associations dual/triple rostering 14u/JV/V players, only two weekends per team will be allowed to be blocked prior to the schedule being issued. Blocked weekends for 14u/JV/V levels are due to the SDAHA scheduler by September 1st and all other levels by September 15th.

21. Playing Rule 8,c,iii, page 6

Motion was made by SDAHA TRES and 2nd by Watertown to accept proposal as written.

Motion was then made by Watertown and 2nd by SDAHA VP to amend the proposal to be completely removed from playing rules.

MOTION PASSED WITH AMENDMENT.

22. Playing Rule 4,f,iii, page 5

Motion was made by SFYHA and 2nd by SC to accept the proposal as written.

MOTION PASSED

Rule should now read:

iii. **Play Down Petitions:** Petitions to the SDAHA Board of Directors to play teams at a level lower than required must be made no later than August 15th for Varsity and Junior Varsity levels and decided before September 1st of each year. Petitions regarding all other levels teams must be made before September 15th 1st and decided before September 15th of each year. Petitions for teams to play at a lower level must be supported by a documented history of inability to compete at the league level where playing rules dictate the team shall play.

23. Playing Rule 3,b,ii, page 3

Motion was made by SDAHA TRES and 2nd by SDAHA SEC to accept the proposal as written.

MOTION PASSED

Rule should now read:

All coaches (head and assistant) present, from each team, are required to sign the designated area of the scoresheet in order to verify the accuracy of the playing roster, as it appears on the scoresheet, for that game. They must include their USA Hockey CEP number, level and year that level was attained (legibly). The failure to sign the scoresheet or provide the needed details in a legible format by any coach present on the bench during game play shall automatically cause a 1 game suspension to be served during the next regularly scheduled game at the level where the suspension was earned. Subsequent failures to sign shall result in a 2 game suspension for each subsequent failure to sign to be served in the same manner. The SDAHA President or their delegate will notify the Voting Delegate of the Local Association when a failure is determined.

24. State Tournament Rule 8,e, page 5

Motion was made by SDAHA TRES and 2nd by OHA to accept the proposal as written.

MOTION PASSED

Rule should now read:

All State academic achievement awards will be presented to varsity/jr. varsity players (seniors) that have achieved a 3.30 cumulative grade point or above during three years of hockey participation through the first semester of their senior year. These awards will be handed out during the opening ceremonies of the applicable Varsity Tournaments.

25. Playing Rule 4,f,l,1and 2,page 4

Motion was made by SDAHA TRES and 2nd by BISA to accept the proposal as written.

MOTION PASSED WITH 2 AMENDMENTS

Motion was then made by SFYHA and 2nd by OHA to amend the proposal to strike (a.) from the rules. MOTION PASSED

Motion was then made by OHA and 2nd by BISA to add some verbiage to (b. Head coach) and make (b.) now become subsection a. MOTION PASSED

Rule should now read:

1. **First Half of the Season:** Throughout the season, the varsity will “freeze” 10 varsity only players for each Jr. Varsity regular season league game. These may be different players for each game but must be always be a total of 10 players. This rule shall remain in effect during the first 50% of a teams League games during the regular season. The names of these frozen players will be

clearly designated on the JV score sheets for those games and they may not play the Jr. Varsity games being played on that date where they are locked. For situations where two Jr Varsity Games may be played on the same day during the first half of the season, coaches could lock different players for each game.

2. **Second Half of the Season:** Once a Varsity Team has played 50% of their League games during the regular season, each Varsity Coach will freeze the same 10 Varsity only Players for each all remaining Jr. Varsity games during the remainder of the regular season and for the Jr Varsity State Tournament. Coaches can no longer add or remove players from the "Frozen" list. The names of these frozen players will be submitted to the SDAHA President or their designee at the Halfway point of the season. The names of these frozen players will be clearly designated on the JV score sheets for those remaining games and they may not play in any Jr. Varsity games after this point.
3. **Exception:** For Girls Varsity team, to the extent these rules would cause a Jr. Varsity girls team to play with less than 11 players, this rule does not apply and that team shall freeze whatever number of girl players are in excess of the 11 players. The frozen players can change during the first half of the season, but once the halfway point of the season is reached, the same number of players and the same players will be locked for the remainder of the regular season and for the Junior Varsity State Tournament. Example: A local association has 17 players. Once the halfway point the season is reached, the same 6 players will be locked for the remainder of the season and for the JV State Tournament.
4. **Violations of the Freeze 10 Rule:** Violations of the Freeze 10 Rule include 1) Not listing all Frozen Players on the back of the Scoresheet and 2) having a locked player participate in the game as a player in any manner. If any of these violations of the Freeze 10 Rule are found after a game has been played, the following suspensions will be imposed.

a. Head coaches on the bench during the violation will be assessed a 2 game suspension at the Junior Varsity Level and a 2 game suspension at the Varsity Level if they are listed as a Varsity Coach.

b. The Locked Player who participated in the game will be assessed a 2 game suspension to be served at the Varsity Level.

ii. Second Violations of the rule by a coach will result in a season suspension for the head coach. Second violations by a player will result in a season suspension for the player. After a second violation, a conference call is to be held with the Discipline Committee to collect input regarding the violation situations, the coach, and/or the player. The Committee may opt to withhold the season suspension depending on the circumstances. If the coach or the player were allowed to continue in the current SDAHA season, it would only be after an automatic 3 game suspension served at the Varsity Level.

26. State Tournament Rule 8,b, page 4

Motion was made by SDAHA TRES and 2nd by Mitchell to accept the proposal as written.

MOTION PASSED

Rule should now read:

League championship awards will be presented to each member of the championship team in each league and a plaque to the league championship team. They should be awarded at the opening ceremony (at applicable levels for Girls Varsity and Youth Varsity). For all other levels, League Championship Awards shall be presented as a part of the announcing of the lineups during the first State Tournament game played by the championship team.

27. Playing Rule 3,c,l, page 3

Motion was made by SDAHA TRES and 2nd by ABRDN to accept the proposal as written.

MOTION PASSED

The proposal removed the rule from the Playing Rules.

28. Playing Rule 9,e, page 7

Motion was made by SDAHA TRES and 2nd by BISA to accept the proposal as written.

Motion was made by BISA and 2nd by SFYHA to amend and add: Adding or dropping teams must be submitted by October 1st.

MOTION PASSED WITH AMENDMENT

Rule should now read:

e. Adding or dropping teams must be submitted by October 1st and the league game schedule and times will be completed by November 1st of each year.

29. Add to playing rules for squirts/10u.

Motion was made by SDAHA SEC and 2nd by SC to accept the proposal as written.

Motion was then made by OHA and 2nd by BISA to amend paragraph 4. to strike the last sentence of paragraph 4. MOTION FAILED

Motion was then made by ABRDN and 2nd by BISA to amend all wording of major/minor to be changed to A/B and also strike the last sentence in paragraph 4.

MOTION PASSED WITH AMENDMENTS

Rule should now read:

4.Team Levels: The Teams Playing within the SDAHA Leagues will be assigned as follows: (In this document the term 'division' is in reference to a specific age group, such as Bantam or Girls 12U. These divisions can contain multiple skill levels with A being the top skill level and B being a developmental skill level within an age division; with this being referenced as the 'level' here on out. In this document the A and B levels will be interchangeable for Varsity and Jr. Varsity levels, whereas Varsity being the equivalent A level and the Jr. Varsity being the equivalent as the B level here on out.)

b. Determining Level of Play for Teams: The following rules are to be used when determining the Placement of Teams:

i. One Team at a Division: At all levels, when an association has one team at any one division, that team shall be determined to play at the A or Varsity Level.

ii. Two Teams at a Division: When an association has two teams at any one division, one team shall be determined to play at the A or Varsity level and the second team will play at the B or Jr. Varsity level.

5. Dual Rostering: A player participating on more than one SDAHA or USA Hockey, Inc. team roster (dual rostering) is not allowed except for the following cases:

a. Female Participants: Except for the exceptions listed below, girls may be rostered on only one league team:

i. High School Teams/Girls 14U: For all SDAHA Sanctioned games, a player may be rostered on both a Varsity and Junior Varsity or Girls U14 team.

1. In addition, pending approval by the USA Hockey registrar, two or more associations may join together to form one 14U team when the numbers are not adequate to have their own team in each association.

2. For all other games (pickup games and invitational tournaments), only USA Hockey team rosters (Jr. Gold A and B, Girls 19U, 15U, etc.) and rostering procedures shall be used.

ii. Girls 12U: Girls 12 and under may be rostered on a Girls 12U team and dual rostered on a mite or squirt team or a Girls Varsity/GJV team

6. Officials:

a. Referee System: The following referee systems will be used:

i. Youth Varsity and Junior Varsity: Youth JV/Varsity will utilize the 4-official system for all games, as long as 2 qualified referees are available. If the scheduler has a lack of officials able to work or qualified to work, the 3-official system will be used. JV will utilize the 3-official system when there is not a Varsity game linked to that game.

ii. Girls Varsity and Girls Junior Varsity, Girls 14U: Girls Varsity/Jr. Varsity, and Girls 14-U will use a two-referee system.

iii. Bantams: The one referee and two linesman system will be used for Bantams.

iv. Peewees & Squirt/U10: Pee wee and Squirt/U10 levels will use a two referee system.

7. Game Play

a. Warm-up and Starting Times:

i. In SDAHA play, warm-ups shall be 5 minutes for G14U, peewee, and Squirts/U10 8 minutes for bantam, and 10 minutes for JV and Varsity levels.

b. Period Length:

i. The youth varsity/jr. varsity and girls varsity will have 17 minutes stop time periods.

ii. The Squirt/U10 level will have 12 minute stop time periods.

iii. All levels except the youth varsity/jr. Varsity, and girls' varsity, and Squirts/U10 levels will have 15 minutes stop time periods.

c. Resurfacing:

i. When the players leave the ice, the clock should be set at 15 minutes for resurfacing.

ii. Play is to resume at the end of the 15 minutes. When players return to the ice there shall be NO warm-up time.

iii. All players, except the starting lineup, should go directly to their benches. A minor penalty for delay of game may be assessed for violation of this rule.

iv. G14U, and Peewee, and Squirt/U10 games shall be started on clean ice and need not be resurfaced during the course of the game; resurfacing will be at the local association's choice and must be declared prior to game time.

d. Running Time: Any time there is a 6 goal differential, running time shall be implemented and continue until the goal differential drops to 4, at which time stop time will resume. When running time is in effect, the clock shall not stop except for a stoppage in play due to rink problems, injury, the scoring of a goal, a penalty or for any other cause as directed by the referee. In the event of a rink problem, injury, or for any other cause as directed by the referee, the clock shall resume running as soon as the cause of the stoppage has been corrected or removed from the ice. In the case of a goal or a penalty, the clock shall stop only long enough to record the goal or penalty. In the event of any question, the referee's direction shall be final. Running Time shall not be used for the Squirt/U10 developmental league.

f. Tie Games: State games, other than Squirt/U10, that end in a tie at the end of regulation time will be decided after a five minute rest period, with the use of one 10-minute overtime sudden death period. The first team to score will be declared the winner. If neither team scores during the overtime period, the game will be declared a tie. Squirt/U10 games will end in a tie at the end of regulation play.

g. penalties: Only squirt/10u minor penalties will be assessed 1:30

9. Scheduling Games:

a. SDAHA will use a block scheduling concept, having two or more games in each arena each day and avoiding isolated games. Bantams will be scheduled in blocks with youth varsity if possible.

b. All changes to the SDAHA issued schedule for Bantams, Peewees, Squirts and Girls 14U after October 1 each season must be approved by all associations involved and the SDAHA scheduler.

d. League teams may not schedule more than three blocked weekends between the date of December 1 to that level's state tournament week end prior to the anticipated league schedule being issued for that level. (October 1 Bantam, Peewees, Squirts and Girls 14U, September 1 All Varsity levels). After that date, Rules II and III will be followed. "Blocked" weekends mean a team does not want to schedule any league games on those weekends.

30. Playing Rule 5, Duel Rostering

Motion was made by ABRDN and 2nd by SC to accept the proposal as written.
MOTION FAILED.

Financial Report. SDAHA TRES gave a thorough financial report and OHA made a motion and 2nd by BISA to approve the financial report. MOTION PASSED

During the schedulers report SDAHA Executive Assistant was inquiring about the 2021 youth varsity state tournament and OHA made a motion and 2nd by Mitchell to award SFYHA the 2021 youth varsity tournament. MOTION PASSED

ELECTIONS:

Motion was made by OHA and 2nd by Watertown to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Tony Lief as SDAHA VP and Jeff Scheel as SDAHA TRES. MOTION PASSED

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by HHA and 2nd by Mitchell. MOTION PASSED

NEXT MEETING SEPTEMBER 19, 2020 IN WATERTOWN

**SDAHA Spring Meeting
Saturday May 9th, 2020
Zoom Meeting**

- Sign In 8:45 am
- Call to order 9:00 am
 - SDAHA President Randy Honkomp
- Welcome – Introduction of Voting Delegates
- Confirmation of voting delegates and determination of Quorum
- Adoption of agenda
- Approval of Fall Meeting Minutes

- Old Business
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- New Business:
 - Discussion Items:
 - Toshiba Awards
 - By-Law 3.7/Hometown rule (Guardians residence)-Randy Honkomp
 - Squirts Half Ice-Adam Gorra
 - Girls U12 Tournament
 - All State/All Tournament
 - Proposals
 - Please see attached 29 proposals

- SDAHA Presidents Report –Randy Honkomp
- Financial Report- Jeff Scheel, Treasurer
 - Acceptance of treasurers report
- Registrars Report – Annette Stensgaard
- Risk Managers Report – Cherry Hunter
- Officials Report – Cade Bloomenrader, RIC
- Officials Scheduling - Jenni Wirkus, Executive Director
- Coaching Report – Steve Salwei, CIC
- Player Development/Girls Development – Rob Kittay ,Shelby Edwards
- Growth & Retention- Curtis Egan
- National Teams – John Sievert, Wendy Myer
- Coaches Committee – Rob Kittay
- Discipline Report – Tony Lief, VP/Discipline Director
- Scheduling Report- Jenni Wirkus, Executive Director
- Election of Officers: Vice President/Treasurer
- Local Association Reports (Aberdeen, Brandon Valley, Brookings, Huron, Mitchell, Oahe, Rushmore, Sioux Center, Sioux Falls, Watertown, Yankton)
- Date of Fall Meeting: September____, 2020 in Watertown
- Adjournment

SDAHA FALL MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 21,2019

WATERTOWN SD

Attending the meeting as voting delegates were Randy Honkomp (SDAHA PRES), Tony Lief (SDAHA VP), Mike Hunter (SDAHA SEC), Jeff Scheel (SDAHA TRES), Adam Gorra (SHYHA), Kelly Koenig (BISA), Curtis Bales (HHA), Lana Loken (MITCHELL), Bill Waring (SC), David Sandvig (ABRDN), Nathan Sanderson (OHA), Bruce Rieffenberger (WAT), Kevin Hunhoff (YANK), Perry Schneekloth (BV).

Also attending the meeting were Jenni Wirkus (SDAHA EX. DIR), Curtis Egan (SDAHA RETENTION AND DEVELOPMENT), Shane Wirkus, Mark Bukovich, Wendy Meyer (TEAM SD GIRLS DIR), Justin Rucks, Justin Kircheval, Brian Wenisch, Cody Clites, Sam Johnson, Terry Pederson, Donovan Peterson, Lucas Deutsch and Chad Renken.

It was determined there was a quorum and Randy called the meeting to order.

Randy started the meeting by asking for ratification of permission to operate as SDAHA by-laws outline the process in which we select our directors to the SDAHA board, and as we don't believe this process is being followed by all affiliates, we hereby agree unilaterally to allow the current representatives present to act on a vote on current business pertinent to the operations of SDAHA. A motion was made by Oahe and 2nd by SFYHA to accept the ratification. MOTION PASSED (13-0)

Motion was made by OHA and 2nd by Yankton to approve the agenda as written. MOTION PASSED (13-0).

Motion was made by OHA and 2nd by BV to accept the fall 2019 minutes as written. MOTION PASSED (13-0)

Randy talked about the discussion items on the agenda and the SDAHA board took action on the REQUEST TO FORM A TEAM discussion item. Donovan Peterson requested to have a 19u nationally bound girls' team (Dakota Chill). With discussion between Donovan and the SDAHA board, OHA made a motion to allow Donovan Peterson to operate the 19u Dakota Chill hockey team with the caveat that any 14u and 16u eligible players will not be allowed on the Dakota Chill team and that the Dakota Chill follow all SDAHA and USA hockey rules and guidelines. 2nd by Watertown.

SFYHA made an amendment to the motion by OHA after further discussion to add that the Dakota Chill be governed under current SDAHA team South Dakota policies. AMENDMENT PASSED (11-2)

Final motion by OHA with amendment:

Donavan Peterson can operate the 19u Dakota Chill hockey team with the caveat that any 14u and 16u eligible players will not be allowed on the Dakota Chill team and that the Dakota Chill will be governed under current SDAHA team South Dakota policies and follow all SDAHA and USA hockey rules and guidelines. MOTION PASSED (12-1)

PROPOSALS:

Proposal 1:

Strike administration rule 2-Home Town Rule.

Motion was made by Tony Lief and 2nd by Mitchell to remove Administration Rule 2 from the Administration Rules. ADM RULE 2 is already stated in SDAHA By-Laws. MOTION PASSED (13-0)

Proposal 2:

Amend Playing Rule 4.B.i

Motion was made by Mitchell and 2nd by SFYHA to change the wording in the rule as written in the proposal.

Rule 4.B.i should now read:

At all levels, when an association has one team at any one division, that team shall be determined to play at the A level.

MOTION PASSED (13-0)

Proposal 3:

Amend Playing Rule 3

Motion was made by Aberdeen and 2nd by Sioux Center to amend the rule as written in the proposal.

Playing Rule 13 should now read:

In the event that two teams are tied at the end of the season the league champions will be determined using the tie breaker rules outlined in SDAHA State Tournament Rules 18.b.

MOTION PASSED (13-0)

Proposal 4:

Amend State Tournament Rule 5.e.

Motion was made by Tony Lief and 2nd by Jeff Scheel to amend the rule as written in the proposal.

State Tournament Rule 5.e should now read:

Only officials who have worked at least twelve (12) SDAHA varsity games during the current SDAHA season are eligible to work the SDAHA Varsity State Tournament. Officials must have worked four (4) weekend days outside their home base city if they wish to work at state tournaments.

MOTION PASSED (13-0)

Proposal 5:

Amend State Tournament Rule 16.

Motion was made by Jeff Scheel and 2nd by OHA to amend the rule as written in the proposal.

State Tournament Rule 16 should now read:

1. **Gate Receipts:** With the exception of the previous information on the Youth Varsity tournament, the host association is entitled to 100% of the gate and program advertising receipts. From these, it is responsible for all ice time costs and programs, etc. The SDAHA Board has approved the following entrance fees as the maximum that the host association can charge for state tournaments:

	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Student</u>	<u>Family</u>
<u>Youth Varsity/ JV</u>			
Weekend Pass	\$20	\$10	\$45
Daily Pass	\$10	\$ 5	\$25
<u>Bantams/ Girls Varsity</u>			
Weekend Pass	\$16	\$ 8	\$35
Daily Pass	\$ 8	\$ 4	\$20
<u>PeeWee/ Girls JV</u>			
Weekend Pass	\$12	\$ 6	\$30
Daily Pass	\$ 6	\$ 3	\$15

Recommended family pass includes 2 adults and immediate family. Up to six (6) cheerleaders and one (1) student manager of participating teams will be allowed entry into games and tournaments free of charge.

MOTION PASSED (13-0)

Play Down Request:

Yankton Bantam B Request 2019-20 season:

Motion was made by OHA and 2nd by Sioux Falls to allow Yankton to play at the Bantam B level.

MOTION PASSED (8-5)

Sioux Center Bantam B request 2019-20 season:

Motion was made by OHA and 2nd by HHA NOT to accept Sioux Centers request to play Bantam B.

MOTION PASSED (12-1)

Mitchell's request to have a bantam age goalie to play at the varsity/JV level until the return of an injured goalie that is at the varsity/JV age.

Motion was made by OHA and 2nd by Watertown to allow the bantam age goalie to play at the varsity/JV level until the injured goalie returns to play. If the bantam age goalie is moved back to the bantam level at any time he may not return to play at the varsity/JV level.

MOTION PASSED (12-1)

TRESURERS REPORT:

Motion was made by OHA and 2nd by BV to accept the budget as presented by SDAHA treasurer.

MOTION PASSED (13-0)

PLAYING RULE CHANGE:

Motion was made by OHA and 2nd by Tony to suspend meeting rules by majority vote to add CHANGE OF PLAYING RULE 8B to the agenda.

MOTION PASSED (13-0)

Motion was made by OHA and 2nd by Sioux Center to move to discuss the new agenda item immediately.

MOTION PASSED (13-0)

Motion was made by Mitchell and 2nd by Aberdeen to strike State Tournament Rule 8.B from the SDAHA State Tournament Rules.

MOTION PASSED (13-0)

Motion was made by OHA and 2nd by Yankton to adjourn meeting

MOTION PASSED (13-0)

SPRING MEETING IS APRIL 25, 2020 IN BROOKINGS

SDAHA Treasurer's Report

Change in Fund and Cash Balances

As of March 31, 2020 (Part of Fiscal Year Ending 8/31/2020)

Fund / Description of Fund Account	9/1/2019 to 3/31/2020		Change in Fund Balance	Beginning Fund Balance	Ending Fund Balance	Budget FYE 8/31/2021		Actual vs. Budget Variance
	Income	Expense				Income	Expense	
Player Assessments (\$5.25 per player)	\$13,406.75							\$3,927.75
Conference Calls, Fines, Appeals	\$693.01	\$585.36	Expense is Conference Call Expense			\$1,207.00	\$1,200.00	\$100.65
Background Check Assessments	\$586.52	\$10,740.00	Assessment to Locals Made after 3/31/19			\$10,181.00	\$10,181.00	(\$10,153.48)
Interest Income	\$944.65		Interest Earned on Savings Account			\$1,392.00		(\$447.35)
Team Assessments-General	\$11,070.00		Team Assessment x Actual State League Teams			\$11,880.00		(\$810.00)
Team Assessments-Other	\$1,600.00		Non SDAHA Teams (SF Power) x \$400/Team			\$1,600.00		\$0.00
Team Assessments-State Tournaments	\$0.00		Assessment to Locals Made after 3/31/20			\$35,882.00		(\$35,882.00)
Varsity State Tournament Gate	\$0.00		Occurred after 3/31/20. Non Material Amount			\$22,982.00	\$22,982.00	\$0.00
USA Hockey Block Grant	\$0.00		Occurs after 3/31/20			\$7,671.00		(\$7,671.00)
Licensing Income	\$329.72		New Income-Sale of SDAHA & TSD Gear			\$0.00		\$329.72
Advertising / Promotions		\$0.00	No Expenses Incurred				\$986.00	\$986.00
Executive Director Pay / Technology Expense		\$11,550.00	Cost of SDAHA Executive Director				\$20,510.00	\$8,960.00
Gifts		\$424.46	Memorials				\$600.00	\$175.54
Meeting Expense (travel and other arrangements)		\$1,227.34	Fall Meeting only prior to 3/31/20				\$5,052.00	\$3,824.66
Coaching Development (50% to Coaching Fund)		\$0.00	50% of Clinic Reimbursements				\$778.00	\$778.00
Northern Plains District Assessment		\$0.00	Occurs after 3/31/20				\$735.00	\$735.00
Bank Charges		\$84.00	Monthly Bank Service Charges				\$180.00	\$96.00
Office Supplies		\$40.72	Misc Office Supplies				\$283.00	\$242.28
Accounting Charges		\$991.36	Quickbooks and Audit Expenses				\$1,800.00	\$808.64
Scoresheets		\$1,149.14	SDAHA Provided Game Scoresheets				\$1,100.00	(\$49.14)
Technology Reimbursements		\$1,120.00	Reimbursements according to Policy				\$1,920.00	\$800.00
Website Expenses		\$540.00	Website Hosting Expenses				\$180.00	(\$360.00)
Other Misc Costs		\$376.25	Squirt Ice Costs-Larson Ice Center				\$0.00	(\$376.25)
Officials and Goal Judges - State Tournaments		\$22,668.47	Combination of On Ice and Travel Costs				\$29,137.00	\$6,468.53
Travel - State / District Tournaments		\$3,640.31	Travel Costs of SDAHA Representatives				\$2,521.00	(\$1,119.31)
Trophies, Medals, etc. - State Tournaments		\$2,349.34	Medals, Trophies, and Awards				\$4,224.00	\$1,874.66

Taxes and Licenses	\$0.76	Misc Taxes and Licenses		\$50.00	\$49.24
General Fund	\$28,630.65	\$57,487.51	(\$28,856.86)	\$25,026.70	(\$3,830.16)
Player Development Fund (\$1.75 per player)	\$5,080.25	\$944.88	\$4,135.37	\$25,245.50	\$29,380.87
Boys Development Camp	\$133.10	\$5,372.93	(\$5,239.83)	USA Hockey Conference Expenses-Wirkus	
Team South Dakota Boys	\$29,744.96	\$36,687.46	(\$6,942.50)	Costs are for Jerseys ordered prior to Cancellation of Camp	
Player Development -- Boys Program	\$29,878.06	\$42,060.39	(\$12,182.33)	\$33,742.59	\$21,560.26
Girls Development Camp	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	No Expenses incurred prior to Cancellation of Camp	
Team South Dakota Girls	\$22,450.00	\$19,693.55	\$2,756.45	Annual cycle runs 5/1-4/30. Not all Expenses yet recorded.	
Player Development -- Girls Program	\$22,450.00	\$19,693.55	\$2,756.45	\$12,651.73	\$15,408.18
Player Assessments (\$1.00 per player)	\$2,641.00	\$1,286.57	\$1,354.43	Cost represents clinic reimbursements & Site Hosting	
Referee Fund	\$2,641.00	\$1,286.57	\$1,354.43	\$7,749.30	\$9,103.73
Coaches Fund (\$1.00 per player)	\$2,641.00	\$0.00	\$2,641.00	\$12,955.54	\$15,596.54
Total All Funds	\$91,320.96	\$121,472.90	(\$30,151.94)	\$117,371.36	\$87,219.42

SDAHA Supplemental Financial Information
As of March 31, 2020 (Part of Fiscal Year Ending 8/31/2020)

Reconciliation of Fund and Cash Balances

	Checking 08/31/19	to 03/31/20	Savings 08/31/19	to 03/31/20	Total
Reconciliation to Cash Accounts:					
Beginning Account Balance from QB (8/31/19)	\$5,137.28		\$125,000.00		\$130,137.28
Income Minus Expense - All Funds	(\$30,151.94)		\$0.00		(\$30,151.94)
Less: Interest Income	(\$944.65)		\$944.65		\$0.00
Net Transfers between Checking and Savings	\$35,077.20		(\$35,077.20)		\$0.00
Calculated Ending Cash Balance	\$9,117.89		\$90,867.45		\$99,985.34
Actual Account Balance from QB (3/31/20)	\$9,117.89		\$90,867.45		\$99,985.34
Reconciliation Variance	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00

Net Change in Cash	(\$30,151.94)
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Other Balance Updates

	08/31/19	03/31/20	04/27/20
Accounts Receivable			
2019-20 Team Assessments	\$0.00	\$810.00	\$810.00
2019-20 Conference Call Assessments	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
2019-2020 Background Assessments	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,041.00
2019-20 State Tour/Varsity Gate Net Assessment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,920.12
Total	\$0.00	\$910.00	\$24,871.12

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PROPOSAL FORM

Date: 03/18/2020

Please use a separate form for each proposal. Additional pages may be used.

- Please indicate which playing rule or by-law you wish to add, amend or replace:

BYLAW 3.9 Player Transfers

(Letter/number/page/etc. – If adding a rule, indicate where you wish rule placed)

- If amending or replacing, please write the rule as it is currently worded:

3.9 Player Transfers: Players may be transferred from one affiliate to another, but only with the written consent of the releasing and receiving member. Any refusal to permit a transfer may be appealed to the SDAHA Board of Directors. Such appeals shall be made and determined pursuant to Section 4.3 of these By-laws.

Player participation is first determined by the nearest affiliate amateur hockey program or association. “Nearest” is determined by Google definitions for “Distance from (city or town) to (city or town).”

Once approved, individual Player Transfers shall remain in effect for the duration of that player’s participation in SDAHA. If the player wishes to void the approved Player Transfer, a new Player Transfer request is required to be submitted for consideration.

Player Transfers within South Dakota: If a South Dakota player wishes to play in different association within the state, the two local affiliates need to consider the player request. If both affiliates within South Dakota agree, the transfer request shall be sent to the SDAHA State President for his approval. This will allow the transfer to be completed.

Player Transfers from South Dakota to another State: If both affiliates involved agree, and it has been approved by the SDAHA State President, the approval process needs to go to the district director level.

Once that approval has been received, the transfer is authorized.

- Please write the rule as you wish to amend/add it, using different color print and crossing out portions of the playing rule you wish changed/removed:

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Player participation is first determined by the amateur hockey program or association within the School District the athlete is enrolled.

If the School district the athlete is enrolled does not have an amateur hockey program or association, the players participation will then be determined by the nearest affiliate amateur hockey program or association. “Nearest” is determined by Google definitions from (city or town) to (city or town).

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Please explain why you wish to add or amend the rule:

We propose this rule change, which defines association jurisdiction by school districts, for the reasons below:

Aligns SDAHA jurisdictions with those of the South Dakota High School Activities Association, a preparatory step for the time when hockey participation is strong enough to be a SDHSAA sanctioned activity.

Athletes will participate within the school district they compete in for ALL sports throughout their youth sporting career.

Encourages and supports growth of new amateur hockey programs or associations in larger population areas. Increasing the number of amateur hockey programs or associations in the state could have a ripple effect and increase the participation throughout the SDAHA member associations.

Previous athletes who have followed the player transfer steps will not be affected by this new proposal.

SUBMITTER NAME/Association: _____

**Perry Schneekloth
Brandon Valley Hockey Association.**

****SDAHA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SUPPORTS****



PROPOSAL FORM

DATE: 3-11-2020

PLEASE USE A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH PROPOSAL. ADDITIONAL PAGES MAY BE USED.

- **PLEASE INDICATE WHICH PLAYING RULE OR BY-LAW YOU WISH TO ADD, AMEND OR REPLACE:**

SDAHA By-laws Article 5 and specifically sections: 5.3, 5.4, 5.5, 5.6 and 5.8.

(Letter/number/page/etc. – If adding a rule, indicate where you wish rule placed)

- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**

ARTICLE 5 - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

5.1 Power: The government and authority of SDAHA will be vested in its Board of Directors. That Board shall establish the policies for SDAHA will have the management and control of the property and affairs of SDAHA, will elect the officers of SDAHA and will have all the powers that may be exercised by a Board of Directors pursuant to law, except as otherwise provided in the Articles of Incorporation and these By-laws. It is specifically contemplated that the Board of Directors will have the power to take all action deemed appropriate by it for the best interests of ice hockey in South Dakota.

5.2 Composition: The Board of Directors will be composed of at least three members, the majority to be selected through an annual democratic election process as provided in Section 5.4, which election process and any changes thereto will be subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of USA Hockey.

5.3 Terms of Office: An elected Director's term shall begin at the spring meeting and he/she shall serve until his/her successor is elected and qualified. A Director may serve any number of successive terms on the Board of Directors.

5.4 Elected Directors: Each Participating Member will be entitled to one elected Director. The Elections will be held within each Participating Member association prior to the SDAHA annual meeting and upon 30 days notice by that Participating Member to all registered teams within that member association. A registered team will be a team in good standing with both SDAHA and USA Hockey. Each registered team shall be entitled to one vote for each Director to be elected will be the responsibility of an elected Director to attend all SDAHA Board of Directors' meetings. If an elected Director is unable to attend a meeting, his/her Participating Member association may, by resolution, appoint an alternate that will have all rights of a Director at that meeting. If the participating Member association appoints an alternate, the elected Director who is unable to attend must inform SDAHA of the alternate in writing, by U.S. mail or by e-mail, no less than 20 days in advance of the regularly scheduled meeting. The SDAHA president may waive the 20 day notice requirement upon request, and such waiver must not be unreasonably withheld. If a Participating Member association desires to appoint an alternate for a special meeting of the SDAHA Board of Directors, they must obtain the approval of the SDAHA President in advance of the meeting, which approval must not be unreasonable withheld.

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- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

Section 5.6 states Director should "...organize and supervise all hockey within their organization...", this implies a leader such as the Association President. Section 5.4 as currently worded, seems to allow the possibility of electing a person who does not lead or "organizes and supervise all hockey". Removing the word "elected" and the scheme of "registered team election process" and the wording "organize and supervise all hockey within their organization" would allow the respective member associations to determine how their SDAHA Director is elected (general elections for officers by entire membership), appointed or determined. Several associations have their local President as the representative to SDAHA. In several cases this is prescribed by their respective By-laws and general election process. Associations need flexibility in how they determine their Director, based on organization needs and concerns. Section 5.6 is also edited down to the basics of the Director being the liaison with SDAHA.

SUBMITTER NAME / ASSOCIATION: MICHAEL A. SCHMIDT, ABERDEEN HOCKEY ASSOCIATIONS; TIM GUTORMSON, BROOKINGS ICE SKATING ASSOCIATION; CHRIS DIETRICH, RUSHMORE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION; ADAM GORRA, SIOUX FALLS YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION.

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- **Please indicate which playing rule or by-law you wish to add, amend or replace:**

bylaw 7.1

(Letter/number/page/etc. – If adding a rule, indicate where you wish rule placed)

- **If amending or replacing, please write the rule as it is currently worded:**

7.1 Spring Meeting and Fall Meeting: Any action(s) or policy(ies) adopted or requested to be adopted by the Board of Directors or the officers of SDAHA shall be reported to its membership, or their duly elected representatives, at least twice each year at its spring meeting or fall meeting. The Board of Directors shall hold a meeting in the spring of each year and a meeting during the fall of each year. The exact date, time and place of the spring and fall meetings shall be determined by the President, subject only to the test of reasonableness as to time and place. At least 15 day notice of the spring and fall meetings and the agenda of the meetings shall be given to all Directors. The meetings shall be open to all Participating and Non-participating Members of SDAHA. The spring meeting should include, but is not limited to, annual budget review and approvals, changes regarding scheduling, officer elections, and any business that must be decided prior to registration and scheduling. The fall meeting should include but is not limited to, USA Hockey Inc. and SDAHA Playing Rule changes, determination of SDAHA committee members/directors, Awards ceremony, and business that must be decided prior to season start.

- **Please write the rule as you wish to amend/add it, using different color print and crossing out portions of the playing rule you wish changed/removed:**

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- **Please explain why you wish to add or amend the rule:**

The notice must be at least 30 days to allow for the processes described in bylaw 5.4.

SUBMITTER NAME/Association: _____

LANA LOKEN/ Mitchell

****SDAHA EXECUTIVE DOES NOT SUPPORT****



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- **Please indicate which playing rule or by-law you wish to add, amend or replace:**

bylaw 5.4

(Letter/number/page/etc. – If adding a rule, indicate where you wish rule placed)

- **If amending or replacing, please write the rule as it is currently worded:**

5.4 Elected Directors: Each Participating Member will be entitled to one elected Director. The Elections will be held within each Participating Member association prior to the SDAHA annual meeting and upon 30 days notice by that Participating Member to all registered teams within that member association. A registered team will be a team in good standing with both SDAHA and USA Hockey. Each registered team shall be entitled to one vote for each Director to be elected will be the responsibility of an elected Director to attend all SDAHA Board of Directors' meetings. If an elected Director is unable to attend a meeting, his/her Participating Member association may, by resolution, appoint an alternate that will have all rights of a Director at that meeting. If the participating Member association appoints an alternate, the elected Director who is unable to attend must inform SDAHA of the alternate in writing, by U.S. mail or by e-mail, no less than 20 days in advance of the regularly scheduled meeting. The SDAHA president may waive the 20 day notice requirement upon request, and such waiver must not be unreasonably withheld. If a Participating Member association desires to appoint an alternate for a special meeting of the SDAHA Board of Directors, they must obtain the approval of the SDAHA President in advance of the meeting, which approval must not be unreasonable withheld.

- **Please write the rule as you wish to amend/add it, using different color print and crossing out portions of the playing rule you wish changed/removed:**

5.4 Elected Directors: Each Participating Member will be entitled to one elected Director. The Elections will be held within each Participating Member association prior to the SDAHA Spring meeting and upon 30 days notice by that Participating Member to all registered teams within that member association. A registered team will be a team in good standing with both SDAHA and USA Hockey. Each registered team shall be entitled to one vote for each Director to be elected will be the

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- **Please explain why you wish to add or amend the rule:**

The term “Annual meeting” is ambiguous. It seems that if it is intended to be the spring meeting, then it should just indicate that.

typo/spelling error.

SUBMITTER NAME/Association: _____

LANA LOKEN- Mitchell.

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- **PLEASE INDICATE WHICH PLAYING RULE OR BY-LAW YOU WISH TO ADD, AMEND OR REPLACE:**

Add a new section to: Playing Rule 10. Game Misconducts/Suspensions
 (Letter/number/page/etc. – If adding a rule, indicate where you wish rule placed)

- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**
- **PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS YOU WISH TO AMEND/ADD IT, USING DIFFERENT COLOR PRINT AND CROSSING OUT PORTIONS OF THE PLAYING RULE YOU WISH CHANGED/REMOVED:**

Head Contact

Any player that violates USA Hockey Rule 620 | Head Contact with a cross-check as defined in USA Hockey Rule 609 (cross-checking) shall be suspended for the balance of the game with immediate substitution taking place on ice. In addition, the offending player shall serve a subsequent two-game suspension that is in addition to any other required suspensions incurred during the same incident. This two-game suspension may also be imposed by the video review committee in accordance with the video review policy described in SDAHA Playing Rule 11.

- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

A head contact penalty with use of the force of a cross-check is one of the most malicious and dangerous penalties and is almost always an act of aggression of one player to another. Players’ hockey seasons have ended when they have been on the receiving end of this type of penalty. We are obligated to protect SDAHA hockey players from injury and this rule will improve player safety by drawing attention to this dangerous action by imposing this additional two-game suspension.

SUBMITTER NAME/ASSOCIATION: VP LEIF, SDAHA DISCIPLINE CHAIR

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Playing Rules f. Other Items: iii. Play Down Petitions

(Letter/number/page/etc. – If adding a rule, indicate where you wish rule placed)

- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**

Play Down Petitions: Petitions to the SDAHA Board of Directors to play teams at a level lower than required must be made no later than August 15th for Varsity and Junior Varsity levels and decided before September 1st of each year. Petitions regarding all other levels teams must be made before September 15th and decided before October 1st of each year. Petitions for teams to play at a lower level must be supported by a documented history of inability to compete at the league level where playing rules dictate the team shall play.

- **PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS YOU WISH TO AMEND/ADD IT, USING DIFFERENT COLOR PRINT AND CROSSING OUT PORTIONS OF THE PLAYING RULE YOU WISH CHANGED/REMOVED:**

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- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

There is a substantial difference in the level of play between different levels within each league. If it is necessary for a team to “play-down”, they should do so with the intention of improving their level of play to be able to compete at the proper level in future years. Teams that want to “play-down” should accept that the goal of competing at a level lower than required is remedial development that should not be convoluted with the pursuit of a championship.

SUBMITTER NAME / ASSOCIATION: VP LEIF

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- **PLEASE INDICATE WHICH PLAYING RULE OR BY-LAW YOU WISH TO ADD, AMEND OR REPLACE:**

SDAHA-Playing Rules 4-f-i-3

(Letter/number/page/etc. – If adding a rule, indicate where you wish rule placed)

- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**

4 Team Levels:

f. Other Items:

i Freeze 10 Rule (Varsity Only)

3 Exception: For Girls Varsity Team, to the extent these rules would cause a Jr. Varsity girls team to play with less than 11 players, this rule does not apply and shall freeze whatever number of girl players are in excess of the 11 players.

- **PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS YOU WISH TO AMEND/ADD IT, USING DIFFERENT COLOR PRINT AND CROSSING OUT PORTIONS OF THE PLAYING RULE YOU WISH CHANGED/REMOVED:**

4 Team Levels:

f. Other Items:

i Freeze 10 Rule (Varsity Only)

3 Exception: ~~For Girls~~ If the extent these rules would cause a Jr. Varsity team to play with less than 11 rostered players, this rule does not apply and shall freeze whatever number of ~~girl~~ players are in excess of the 11 players. Those remaining players still must remain the same for the 2nd 1/2 of the Jr. Varsity season, barring a season ending injury to a Jr. Varsity player.

- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

An attempt was made last spring with the frozen 10 to keep the Jr. Varsity level as developmental. Yet this last year different exceptions were asked for and voted on. This rule will eliminate any need to ask for any extra exceptions unless a Jr. Varsity player is injured the 2nd 1/2 of the season.

SUBMITTER NAME / ASSOCIATION: LANA LOKEN MITCHELL

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- **PLEASE INDICATE WHICH PLAYING RULE OR BY-LAW YOU WISH TO ADD, AMEND OR REPLACE:**

SDAHA-Playing Rules 11

(Letter/number/page/etc. – If adding a rule, indicate where you wish rule placed)

- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**

11. Video Review Policies:

- a. The video review needs to be submitted by a local President. Not the coach, not a parent. The local President submitting the video needs to view it to ensure it is appropriate for review.
- b. The video should then be submitted to the SDAHA Discipline Committee Chairperson OR an individual deemed appropriate by the SDAHA President.
- c. The video review committee will be made up of the SDAHA Discipline Committee Chairperson, the SDAHA Referee-in-Chief and the SDAHA President. Additions and subtractions from this committee may be made by the SDAHA President with the approval of the other members.
- d. This committee may impose up to a maximum of a 3 game suspension. Any suspension imposed will be under USAH Playing Rule 410(a), Supplementary Discipline. A penalty will never be added to the scoresheet of a completed game.
- e. If this committee feels more than a 3 game suspension is warranted by the actions of the player, a summary suspension will be imposed until such time a hearing is conducted by the SDAHA Discipline Committee and an appropriate discipline action can be taken.
- f. Actions taken by this committee will be recorded with other disciplinary actions imposed by the playing rules and will be part of the consideration if the offending player needs to come before the Discipline Committee for other acts in the future.
- g. History of the offending player MAY play a role as well in the length of suspension.
- h. It is strongly encouraged this committee to also involve the local President from the association of the offending player. Open communication between this committee and the local Presidents keeps the transparency required for complete integrity.
- i. If the suspension is 3 games or less, appeals will not be permitted. A re-review may be asked for by the Association President of the offending player on behalf of the player and his/her family. The cost of this re-review will be \$50, non-refundable. During this re-review, the player will have the opportunity to address this committee and answer questions presented by this committee. On this re-review, this committee may eliminate, reduce or leave as is the suspension originally imposed. The decision of this rereview is final and may not be appealed. This re-review will be conducted via conference call. In addition to the above mentioned \$50 fee for re-review, the cost of the conference call will be passed on to the local association which may or may not bill the player's family for the cost of the call.

- j. If the SDAHA Discipline Committee convenes for the purpose of #5 above, the discipline action taken by the Discipline Committee may be appealed to the SDAHA Board of Directors as outlined in the SDAHA By-Laws.
- k. I also encouraged the SDAHA Referee-in-Chief to use the submitted videos as training tools for officials. Our on-ice officials are our first line of defense during the game to make the game safer. Officials have a much different vantage point than any camera will have. In addition, officials see the action at full speed and only 1 time. This committee has the luxury of slow motion and ability of replay many times over. We very much have support for our on-ice officials. Making the game safer is all of our jobs. We must do our best to eliminate the “cheap shots” from the game and when they do occur, there are consequences for the offending player.

- **PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS YOU WISH TO AMEND/ADD IT, USING DIFFERENT COLOR PRINT AND CROSSING OUT PORTIONS OF THE PLAYING RULE YOU WISH CHANGED/REMOVED:**

11. Video Review Policies:

- a. The video review needs to be submitted by **only** a local President. The local President submitting the video needs to view it to ensure it is appropriate for review **and refer to what USA hockey rule was violated and in question.**
- b. The video should then be submitted to the SDAHA Discipline Committee Chairperson OR an individual deemed appropriate by the SDAHA President.
- c. The video review committee will be made up of the SDAHA Discipline Committee Chairperson, the SDAHA Referee-in-Chief and the SDAHA President **the two association presidents of the teams involved and the referees of the game in question.**
- d. This committee may impose up to a maximum of a **1** game suspension. Any suspension imposed will be under USAH Playing Rule 410(a), Supplementary Discipline. A penalty will never be added to the scoresheet of a completed game.
- e. If this committee feels more than a **1** game suspension is warranted by the actions of the player, **no suspension** will be imposed until such time a hearing is conducted by the SDAHA Discipline Committee and an appropriate discipline action can be taken.
- f. Actions taken by this committee will be recorded in **a written report** with other disciplinary actions imposed by the playing rules and will be part of the consideration if the offending player needs to come before the Discipline Committee for other acts in the future.
- g. **A copy of the report will be given to the local president to give to the offending player. The report will indicate what USA Hockey playing rule was violated and a summary of how the committee came to their conclusion.**
- h. **Delete**
- i. **An appeal of the 1 game suspension will not be permitted.** A re-review may be asked for by the Association President of the offending player on behalf of the player and his/her family. The cost of this re-review will be \$50, non-refundable. During this re-review, the player will have the opportunity to address this committee and answer questions presented by this committee. On this re-review, this committee may eliminate, the suspension originally imposed. The decision of this re-review is final and may not be appealed. This re-review will be conducted via conference call. In addition to the above mentioned \$50 fee for re-review, the cost of the conference call will be passed on to the local association which may or may not bill the player’s family for the cost of the call.

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- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

This goes against the whole purpose of having a discipline committee. No 3 people should have the power to give up to 3 game suspension. The player is not represented and an appeal is not possible as the rule stands. I believe that anytime a player receives any kind of suspension it should be communicated clearly what rule the player broke.

SUBMITTER NAME/ASSOCIATION: LANA LOKEN MITCHELL

****SDAHA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DOES NOT SUPPORT**** _____



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Rule 10 Page 5 of the State Tournament Rules

(Letter/number/page/etc. – If adding a rule, indicate where you wish rule placed)

- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**

10.Special Events: Any special event scheduled during the Tournaments, such as Mites Exhibition Games, Figure Skating Programs, Etc. must be scheduled between games rather than between periods of a game. If there is a special event, schedule the tournament games appropriately so that required time will be permitted teams to warm-up and resurface the ice prior to the scheduled starting time.

- **PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS YOU WISH TO AMEND/ADD IT, USING DIFFERENT COLOR PRINT AND CROSSING OUT PORTIONS OF THE PLAYING RULE YOU WISH CHANGED/REMOVED:**

10.Special Events: Any special event scheduled during the Tournaments, such as Mites Exhibition Games, Figure Skating Programs, Etc. must be scheduled between games (between winners and looser bracket games on semifinal and final days) rather than between periods of a game. If there is a special event, schedule the tournament games appropriately so that required time will be permitted teams to warm-up and resurface the ice prior to the scheduled starting time.

- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

An example of this problem would be the Saturday games in Yankton this year at the PeeWee A State tournament, open skate/figure skating happened between the 2 winners semi final games. This would force those events to be scheduled between the winners and losers side of the bracket games.

SUBMITTER NAME/ASSOCIATION: Tim Gutormson, Brookings Ice Skating Association

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Playing Rules Section #11, Subsection b: found on Page 8 of the current Playing Rules.

- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**

b. The video should then be submitted to the SDAHA Discipline Committee Chairperson OR an individual deemed appropriate by the SDAHA President.

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b. The video should then be submitted to the SDAHA Discipline Committee Chairperson OR an individual deemed appropriate by the SDAHA President. The video review must be submitted within 14 days of the date of the incident/video. Failure to submit the review within 14 days will forfeit any right under the Video Review Policy.

- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

This proposal is meant to clarify the timeline. As it is currently written, a video review can be submitted anytime. The lack of a timeline could allow someone to wait and submit a video review until it benefits one's personal agenda. In addition, it is intended that video reviews are done in a timely manner which also would indicate the submission for video review should be done in a timely manner.

SUBMITTER NAME/ASSOCIATION: JEFF SCHEEL, SDAHA TREASURER AND JENNI WIRKUS SDAHA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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Playing Rules Section #10, Subsection c: found on Page 7 of the current Playing Rules.

- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**

- c. **Suspensions:** If a player or coach receives a game misconduct penalty and is required to serve an additional game suspension under USA Hockey or SDAHA rules, the following general rules apply:
- i. When a suspension occurs, it must be served in the next, already scheduled, USA Hockey sanctioned game, whether it be league or non-league. If the player/coach does not serve their suspension in the appropriate game immediately following the game in which their penalty occurred, the player will serve the suspension and the coach goes before the Chairman of the Disciplinary Committee for possible further disciplinary action.
 - ii. Suspensions can only be served only in previously scheduled games. A pickup game cannot be inserted in the schedule to allow a player or coach to serve a suspension.
 - iii. All suspensions should be noted on the game score sheet when the suspension is being served. If the suspension is not noted on the score sheet, the coach will need to serve a game suspension. (9/06)

- **PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS YOU WISH TO AMEND/ADD IT, USING DIFFERENT COLOR PRINT AND CROSSING OUT PORTIONS OF THE PLAYING RULE YOU WISH CHANGED/REMOVED:**

- c. **Suspensions:** If a player or coach receives a game misconduct penalty and is required to serve an additional game suspension under USA Hockey or SDAHA rules, the following general rules apply:
- iv. When a suspension occurs, it must be served in the next, already scheduled, USA Hockey sanctioned game, whether it be league or non-league. If the player/coach does not serve their suspension in the appropriate game immediately following the game in which their penalty occurred, the player will serve the suspension and the coach goes before the Chairman of the Disciplinary Committee for possible further disciplinary action.
 - v. Suspensions can only be served only in previously scheduled games. A pickup game cannot be inserted in the schedule to allow a player or coach to serve a suspension.
 - vi. All suspensions should be noted on the game score sheet when the suspension is being served. If the suspension is not noted on the score sheet, the coach and the player (if the suspension involves a player) will need to serve an additional game suspension. (9/06)

- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

This proposal is meant to clarify the language. The current rule does not address how a player is handled when the suspension is not served. This language clears up this discrepancy.

SUBMITTER NAME/ASSOCIATION: JEFF SCHEEL, SDAHA TREASURER AND JENNI WIRKUS SDAHA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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Playing Rules Section #9, Subsection d: found on Page 7 of the current Playing Rules.

- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**

d. League teams may not schedule more than three blocked weekends between the date of December 1 to that level's state tournament week end prior to the anticipated league schedule being issued for that level. (October 1 Bantam, Peewees and Girls 14U, September 1 All Varsity levels). After that date, Rules II and III will be followed. "Blocked" weekends mean a team does not want to schedule any league games on those weekends.

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d. League teams may not schedule more than three blocked weekends between the start of the levels first weekend of play to that level's state tournament week end prior to the anticipated league schedule being issued for that level ~~start date of December 1 to that level's state tournament week end prior to the anticipated league schedule being issued for that level. (October 1 Bantam, Peewees and Girls 14U, September 1 All Varsity levels). After that date, Rules II and III will be followed. "Blocked" weekends mean a team does not want to schedule any league games on those weekends.~~ "Blocked" weekends mean a team does not want to schedule any league games on those weekends. For Associations dual rostering Varsity and JV players who will be required to travel together for their league seasons, only three weekends total will be allowed to be blocked prior to the schedule being issued. Blocked weekends for Varsity levels are due to the SDAHA scheduler by September 1st and all other levels by September 15th.

- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

This proposal addresses blocked weekends and addresses:

- 1) The rule expands the time frame of when the three blocked weekends apply, and
- 2) The rule combine Varsity and JV into the same 3 blocked weekends. As it stands today, an association could potentially block 6 weekends (3 for Varsity and 3 for JV). Blocking 6 weekends creates a significant issue with scheduling league games.

With the issue of creating a reasonable schedule becoming more difficult each year, these changes are proposed to ensure better availability of teams to conduct our league play.

SUBMITTER NAME/ASSOCIATION: JEFF SCHEEL, SDAHA TREASURER AND JENNI WIRKUS SDAHA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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Playing Rules Section #8, Subsection c, Subsection iii: found on Page 6 of the current Playing Rules.

- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**

iii. All players, except the starting lineup, should go directly to their benches. A minor penalty for delay of game may be assessed for violation of this rule.

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This proposal addresses the situations where teams do not skate directly to their bench after resurfacing. If the desire of the SDAHA board is for the teams to skate directly to the bench, then a vote in favor of this proposal should be cast. This will send clear direction to the officials on the enforcement of this rule.

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Playing Rules Section #4, Subsection f, Subsection iii: found on Page 5 of the current Playing Rules.

- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**

iii. **Play Down Petitions:** Petitions to the SDAHA Board of Directors to play teams at a level lower than required must be made no later than August 15th for Varsity and Junior Varsity levels and decided before September 1st of each year. Petitions regarding all other levels teams must be made before September 15th and decided before October 1st of each year. Petitions for teams to play at a lower level must be supported by a documented history of inability to compete at the league level where playing rules dictate the team shall play.

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This proposal moves up the timeline by 15 days when Play Down requests are made at all levels below Varsity and Junior Varsity Levels.

Late play down requests have an adverse impact on SDAHA's ability to publish the season schedule in a timely basis. Making this change now will give the local associations advance warning so they can begin to play for this change for the coming fall as the need arises within their local association. Moving this timeline up will allow the season schedule to be published sooner.

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Playing Rules Section #3, Subsection b, Subsection ii: found on Page 3 of the current Playing Rules.

- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**

All coaches (head and assistant) present, from each team, are required to sign the designated area of the scoresheet in order to verify the accuracy of the playing roster, as it appears on the scoresheet, for that game. They must include their USA Hockey CEP number, level and year that level was attained (legibly).

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- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

Not receiving signatures and the needed information is a growing problem. Prior to this rule change, there is no way to enforce this rule. This change clearly defines the consequence of failing to provide these needed items.

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Playing Rules Section #4, Subsection f, Subsection i, Subsections 1 and 2: found on Page 4 of the current Playing Rules.

- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**

1. **First Half of the Season:** Throughout the season, the varsity coach will “freeze” 10 varsity only players for each Jr. Varsity regular season league game. These may be different players for each game but must be always be a total of 10 players. This rule shall remain in effect during the first 50% of a teams League games during the regular season. The names of these frozen players will be clearly designated on the JV score sheets for those games and they may not play the Jr. Varsity games being played on that date.
2. **Second Half of the Season:** Once a Varsity Team has played 50% of their League games during the regular season, each Varsity Coach will freeze the same 10 Varsity only Players for each remaining Jr. Varsity games during the remainder of the regular season and for the Jr Varsity State Tournament. Coaches can no longer add or remove players from the “Frozen” list. The names of these frozen players will be submitted to the SDAHA President or their designee at the Halfway point of the season. The names of these frozen players will be clearly designated on the JV score sheets for those games and they may not play in any Jr. Varsity games after this point.
3. **Exception:** For Girls Varsity team, to the extent these rules would cause a Jr. Varsity girls team to play with less than 11 players, this rule does not apply and that team shall freeze whatever number of girl players are in excess of the 11 players.

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2. **Second Half of the Season:** Once a Varsity Team has played 50% of their League games during the regular season, each Varsity Coach will freeze the same 10 Varsity only Players for ~~each all~~ remaining Jr. Varsity games during the remainder of the regular season and for the Jr Varsity State Tournament. Coaches can no longer add or remove players from the “Frozen” list. The names of these frozen players will be submitted to the SDAHA President or their designee at the Halfway point of the season. The names of these frozen players will be clearly designated on the JV score sheets for those remaining games and they may not play in any Jr. Varsity games after this point.
3. **Exception:** For Girls Varsity team, to the extent these rules would cause a Jr. Varsity girls team to play with less than 11 players, this rule does not apply and that team shall freeze whatever number of girl players are in excess of the 11 players. The frozen players can change during the first half of the season, but once the halfway point of the season is reached, the same number of players and the same players will be locked for the remainder of the regular season and for the Junior Varsity State Tournament. Example: A local association has 17 players. Once the halfway point the season is reached, the same 6 players will be locked for the remainder

of the season and for the JV State Tournament.

4. Violations of the Freeze 10 Rule: Violations of the Freeze 10 Rule include 1) Not listing all Frozen Players on the back of the Scoresheet and 2) having a locked player participate in the game as a player in any manner. If any of these violations of the Freeze 10 Rule are found after a game has been played, the following suspensions will be imposed
 - a. The game played where the violation occurred will be recorded as a regulation loss.
 - b. All coaches on the bench during the violation will be assessed a 2 game suspension at the Junior Varsity Level and a 2 game suspension at the Varsity Level if they are listed as a Varsity Coach.
 - c. The Locked Player who participated in the game will be assessed a 2 game suspension to be served at the Varsity Level.
 - ii. Second Violations of the rule by a coach will result in a season suspension for the head coach. Second violations by a player will result in a season suspension for the player. After a second violation, a conference call is to be held with the Discipline Committee to collect input regarding the violation situations, the coach, and/or the player. The Committee may opt to withhold the season suspension depending on the circumstances. If the coach or the player were allowed to continue in the current SDAHA season, it would only be after an automatic 3 game suspension served at the Varsity Level.

- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

In #1, the language is meant to clarify the situation where 2 JV games may be played on the same day during the first half of the season. Essentially a coach could change their locked players between the two games if the first half of the season has not elapsed.

In #2, the language is meant to clarify that the lock applies to all remaining games during the season and the JV State Tournament.

In #3, the language removes any interpretation where someone may believe the locked players could change from game to game because of having fewer than 11 players.

In #4, proposed language is added that outlines punishment for violations to the Freeze 10 rule. As it stands today, our rules are silent on how a violation would be addressed. This language outlines the punishment for the team, the coach, and a participating player. The punishment is written using 2 game suspensions which is the recommendation of the submitters. Alternative punishments could be 1 or 3 game suspensions.

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Playing Rules Section #3, Subsection c, Subsection i: found on Page 3 of the current Playing Rules.

- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**

Individual players on Pee wee, Bantam, Girls and Jr. Gold A & B teams attending invitational tournaments are limited to two games per day. (4/05)

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It is proposed to remove this rule altogether. SDAHA does not have the ability to control how non SDAHA tournaments are conducted. If this rule were to remain in place, its language does not cover all levels currently being governed by SDAHA. If this rule were to remain in place, it contradicts the current SDAHA practice within our girls program, where a player could theoretically play in 3 SDAHA League games on the same day.

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Playing Rules Section #9, Subsection e: found on Page 7 of the current Playing Rules.

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e. Adding or dropping teams and times of games must be completed by November 1st of each year.

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e. ~~Adding or dropping teams and times of game must be~~ League game schedule and times of will be completed by November 1st of each year.

- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

This proposal is meant to clarify the language. This give the SDAHA scheduler the ability to work with local schedules to finalize the schedule. It will require all local associations to work to establish their game schedules and finalize them prior to 11/1. This will allow the schedule to be published on or before 11/1.

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- PLEASE INDICATE WHICH PLAYING RULE OR BY-LAW YOU WISH TO ADD, AMEND OR REPLACE:

Add to Playing Rules the rules for Squirts/U10

- IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:
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4. Team Levels: The Teams Playing within the SDAHA Leagues will be assigned as follows: (In this document the term 'division' is in reference to a specific age group, such as Bantam or Girls 12U. These divisions can contain multiple skill levels with A being the top skill level and B being a developmental skill level within an age division; with this being referenced as the 'level' here on out. In this document the A and B levels will be interchangeable for Varsity and Jr. Varsity levels, whereas Varsity being the equivalent A level and the Jr. Varsity being the equivalent as the B level here on out.) **Squirt League shall be assigned as Majors and Minors by age with the oldest participants in the Major level and the youngest participants in the Minor level.**

b. Determining Level of Play for Teams: The following rules are to be used when determining the Placement of Teams:

- One Team at a Division: At all levels, when an association has one team at any one division, that team shall be determined to play at the A ~~or~~, Varsity Level, **or Majors.**
- Two Teams at a Division: When an association has two teams at any one division, one team shall be determined to play at the A ~~or~~, Varsity level and the second team will play at the B ~~or~~, Jr. Varsity level, **or Minors.**

5. Dual Rostering: A player participating on more than one SDAHA or USA Hockey, Inc. team roster (dual rostering) is not allowed except for the following cases:

- Female Participants: Except for the exceptions listed below, girls may be rostered on only one league team:
 - High School Teams/Girls 14U: For all SDAHA Sanctioned games, a player may be rostered on both a Varsity and Junior Varsity or Girls U14 team.
 - In addition, pending approval by the USA Hockey registrar, two or more associations may join together to form one 14U team when the numbers are not adequate to have their own team in each association.
 - For all other games (pickup games and invitational tournaments), only USA Hockey team rosters (Jr. Gold A and B, Girls 19U, 15U, etc.) and rostering procedures shall be used.

ii. Girls 12U: Girls 12 and under may be rostered on a Girls 12U team and dual rostered on a mite or squirt team or a Girls Varsity/GJV team.

b. Squirts/10U: Squirts 10 and under may be rostered on a Squirt League Major or Minor roster and dual rostered on a Squirt A/B Travel roster.

6. Officials:

a. Referee System: The following referee systems will be used:

i. Youth Varsity and Junior Varsity: Youth JV/Varsity will utilize the 4-official system for all games, as long as 2 qualified referees are available. If the scheduler has a lack of officials able to work or qualified to work, the 3-official system will be used. JV will utilize the 3-official system when there is not a Varsity game linked to that game.

ii. Girls Varsity and Girls Junior Varsity, Girls 14U: Girls Varsity/Jr. Varsity, and Girls 14-U will use a two-referee system.

iii. Bantams: The one referee and two linesman system will be used for Bantams.

iv. Peewees **& Squirt/U10**: Peewee **and Squirt/U10** levels will use a two referee system.

8. Game Play

a. Warm-up and Starting Times:

i. In SDAHA play, warm-ups shall be 5 minutes for G14U, peewee, **and Squirts/U10** 8 minutes for bantam, and 10 minutes for JV and Varsity levels.

b. Period Length:

i. The youth varsity/jr. varsity and girls varsity will have 17 minutes stop time periods.

ii. The Squirt/U10 level will have 12 minute stop time periods.

iii. All levels except the youth varsity/jr. Varsity, **and** girls' varsity, **and Squirts/U10** levels will have 15 minutes stop time periods.

c. Resurfacing:

i. When the players leave the ice, the clock should be set at 15 minutes for resurfacing.

ii. Play is to resume at the end of the 15 minutes. When players return to the ice there shall be NO warm-up time.

iii. All players, except the starting lineup, should go directly to their benches. A minor penalty for delay of game may be assessed for violation of this rule.

iv. G14U, **and** Peewee, and **Squirt/U10** games shall be started on clean ice and need not be resurfaced during the course of the game; resurfacing will be at the local association's choice and must be declared prior to game time

d. Running Time: Any time there is a 6 goal differential, running time shall be implemented and continue until the goal differential drops to 4, at which time stop time will resume. When running time is in effect, the clock shall not stop except for a stoppage in play due to rink problems, injury, the scoring of a goal, a penalty or for any other cause as directed by the referee. In the event of a rink problem, injury, or for any other cause as directed by the referee, the clock shall resume running as soon as the cause of the stoppage has been corrected or removed from the ice. In the case of a goal or a penalty, the clock shall stop only long enough to record the goal or penalty. In the event of any question, the referee's direction shall be final. **Running Time shall not be used for the Squirt/U10 developmental league.**

f. Tie Games: State games, **other than Squirt/U10**, that end in a tie at the end of regulation time will be decided after a five minute rest period, with the use of one 10-minute overtime sudden death period. The first team to

score will be declared the winner. If neither team scores during the overtime period, the game will be declared a tie. **Squirt/U10 games will end in a tie at the end of regulation play.**

8. Game Play

I. (This would be addition) Squirt/U10 Penalties: Minor Penalties at the Squirt/U10 level shall be 1:30

9. Scheduling Games:

- a. SDAHA will use a block scheduling concept, having two or more games in each arena each day and avoiding isolated games. Bantams will be scheduled in blocks with youth varsity if possible.
- b. All changes to the SDAHA issued schedule for Bantams, Peewees, **Squirts** and Girls 14U after October 1 each season must be approved by all associations involved and the SDAHA scheduler.
- d. League teams may not schedule more than three blocked weekends between the date of December 1 to that level's state tournament week end prior to the anticipated league schedule being issued for that level. (October 1 Bantam, Peewees, **Squirts** and Girls 14U, September 1 All Varsity levels). After that date, Rules II and III will be followed. "Blocked" weekends mean a team does not want to schedule any league games on those weekends.

- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

The Squirt "League" has been setup on a trial basis for the past two seasons, and has seen great success. The premise on which we decided to give this a try was based on criteria which the SDAHA Executive Committee feels most important to not only develop, but recruit and retain players at the U10 age level.

The idea of small teams with 10-12 players playing a 20 game season would give all participants plenty of ice time in competition settings. Thus, allowing ample opportunity for players to take skills learned at practice and translate this to a game setting.

Another important part of this is scheduling. We didn't want to fill every weekend with U10 games. Using a "jamboree" style of scheduling, we are able to group games together and help cut costs for participants and associations playing in the "league".

We believe it is time to make this trial process into a yearly scheduled program. However, staying the course on development is our first priority. USA Hockey outlines best practices for practice to game ratios. They also outline best practices in splitting teams for practices and competitions. We believe that using these guidelines, keeping this "league" as a truly developmental league is what is best for the future of SDAHA.

Please see additional documentation included:

Attachment from Curtis Egan, SDAHA Growth and Retention, & U10 Learn to Train Materials from USA Hockey

[https://cdn2.sportngin.com/attachments/document/0042/7318/3_Learn_to_Train_2018_JCE_cleankm.edited_1 .pdf#_ga=2.127857549.1032286930.1585175525-279469740.1585175525](https://cdn2.sportngin.com/attachments/document/0042/7318/3_Learn_to_Train_2018_JCE_cleankm.edited_1.pdf#_ga=2.127857549.1032286930.1585175525-279469740.1585175525)

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Squirt 10-U Retention & Growth Recommendation

Team Split for SDAHA Squirt Minor/Major League

Coming from a Retention and Growth point of view my recommendation would be to split these teams by age for the SDAHA Squirt League.

Yes, at this level players have entered the “Learn to Train” (males 9-12 females 8-11 phase) but we are still in the sport-sampling age too.

In my opinion one way to Grow the game at our local and state levels would be splitting these teams by age. This would allow more KIDS to be kids, try a new sport with their classmates and continue a sport with their friends.

Tryouts are coming, I know competition is important, but players and development are the key to success down the road.

This recommendation is only referencing SDAHA League play, if you need a different roster for your tournaments that is a decision that can be made by each association.

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Learn to Train (10U & 12U)

Ages 8-11 females

Ages 9-12 males

USA Hockey Programs

USA Hockey member clubs offer 10 & Under and 12 & Under programs at this stage.

Objective

Develop overall athleticism and sports specific skills.

General Description of the Learn to Train stage

At this stage, participants continue to develop movement abilities across multiple sports and in a wide variety of environments. In ice hockey, players continue to increase their attunement to the appropriate environmental cues that allow them greater movement adaptability and hockey sense.

In late specialization sports such as ice hockey, early specialization can be detrimental to later stages of development. Participants should develop a solid base in a variety of sports in each of the physical literacy environments (e.g. swimming, athletics, gymnastics & skiing/skating).

Club-to-club competitions can be introduced but competition results should not be the main focus of the program. Focus should remain on long-term athlete and hockey development.

USA Hockey's key focus for the Learn to Train stage

- Continue to develop physical literacy
- Continue to participate in at least 2 or 3 complementary sports
- Participants at this stage should learn basic skating, puck control and team play
- There is no need at this stage to specialize at a specific skater position, however, goalies may begin to focus on their position

Components of Athlete Development: USA Hockey Learn to Train stage

Technical Development

- **This is a focused stage of hockey specific skill development**
- Ensure motor learning issues are adopted into coaching practice
- Emphasis is placed upon refining skating and puck control throughout the stage
 - Agility in skating skills with and without the puck
 - Refining edge control skills for balance and coordination
 - Attacking skills, one-on-one and one-on-two or more defenders (one-on-three)
- Use small-area games to develop core skills in decision-making situations
- Added emphasis on passing and receiving should be incorporated at the 12-and-Under level with special concentration on receiving from variable situations
- Added emphasis on shooting and scoring skills, including shooting off a pass (one-timing the puck)
- Body contact and angling basics should be refined at 10 & Under

- Body-checking skills are introduced at 12 & Under including the ability to deliver a check as well as receive a check
- Offensive body positioning and puck protection
- Deception should be incorporated in all facets of the player's development
 - Skating: change of pace, change of direction, spins
 - Puck Control: fakes and dekes on goalie
 - Passing: look off pass receiver, fake pass
 - Shooting: shoot off either foot, cadence – shoot in stride, camouflage - screen shots and looking off shot, fake shot

Tactical Skills

- Continue to encourage unstructured play at 10 & Under; emphasis should be on competing at the puck, winning one-on-one battles and loose puck races
- Introduce the four game-situation roles: puck carrier, offensive support player, defender at the puck, defender away from the puck
- Develop basic situational role knowledge and experience in small-area game play and specific situational drills
- Continued exposure to basic hockey decision-making situations
- At 12 & Under basic team systems can be introduced, however, the on-ice time spent should be minimal
- Introduce elements of coordinated attacks, two-on-one, two-on-two, three-on-two, two-on-three
- Encourage vocal communication between players both offensively and defensively
- Reinforcement of ethics and rules (e.g. no hitting from behind, no head contact, no contact with vulnerable player)

Physical Development

10 & Under

Fundamental movement skills (FMS) and mastering of fundamental sport skills (FSS) through warmups, games, obstacle courses, unstructured play and some structured activities; Continue to encourage daily physical activity (formal and informal); Maintain and refine ambidextrous sports or sport movements (e.g. gymnastics, swimming, throwing with both hands, kicking with both feet, etc.).

- Strength: Athletes may need to start with body weight/light resistance training with focus on technique progressing to moderate loads & free weight training with focus remaining on technique. Core strength training (planks and med ball rotations). Depending on qualified instruction, athletes can also be taught Olympic lifts and variations for power development focusing on technique.
- Power: More intense FMS such as running, skipping, hopping and jumping with high velocity movements; may include low intensity plyometrics; low eccentric loading (examples of low eccentric loading are jumps in place, standing jumps)
- Speed: primary focus on sprint technique over short distances with more formal drills, but do not discontinue games that involve speed
- Agility: Primary focus on change of direction speed development (40%); less focus on FMS (30%) but increase focus on reactive agility (30%)

- Conditioning: Mastery of sport-specific skill thru deliberate practice and play; combination of small-sided games and HIIT; 2-5x per week, 10—30 min per session

Note: Off-ice training techniques are important for safety. Dynamic sports like ice hockey require a wide range of movements that are NOT confined to a specific idealized technique and a high degree of movement variability is encouraged where safety is not compromised.

12 & Under

- Strength: Depending on previous training (training age), athlete may need to start with body weight/light resistance training with focus on technique, but they should be progressing to moderate loads & free weight training with focus remaining on technique; core strength training (planks and med ball rotations); depending on qualified instruction, athletes can also be taught Olympic lifts and variations for power development focusing on technique.
- Power: accomplished more intense FMS such as running, skipping, hopping and jumping with high velocity movements and may include low intensity plyometrics; low eccentric loading; jumps in-place, standing jumps; should also be accomplished with strength training including some low-to-moderate load with high velocity and rate of force development
- Speed: Sprint technique + maximal sprints; emphasis on coordination pre-PHV and hypertrophy post-PHV (early maturers); Greater focus on strength + plyos for off-ice and on-ice speed development
- Agility: Primary focus on change of direction speed development (40%); less focus on FMS (30%) but increase focus on reactive agility (30%)
- Conditioning: Mastery of sport-specific skill thru deliberate practice and play; Combination of small-sided games and HIIT; 2-5x per week, 10—30 min per session

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Psychological Development

- At this stage it is important to create an environment where participants want to play ice hockey. Practices must be varied, interesting and fun so they will want to continue. It is important to build interest in our sport, self-confidence and an enjoyment of performing.
- This is the sampling stage; provide opportunities for the participant to try activities that focus on fun, pleasure and socialization
- Encourage goal setting that is process orientated
 - Long-term goals (dream ahead)
 - Short-term goals based on skill development and not competitive results
- Team spirit; learn how to relate to different groups of peers
- Important psychological skills to develop
 - Development of abilities to concentrate

- Development of visualization skills
- Deliberate effort; the ability to deliver effort and enjoy the feeling of the effort during the activity
- Responsibility; the ability to associate joy with effort and competition
- Success; the ability to take risk and accept failure as a normal occurrence of sport development
- Begin to introduce mental preparation at 12U

Ancillary Skills

- At this stage, participants should understand the importance of warm-up and cool-down, hydration and of the proper fit and use of equipment
- Off-season participation in 2-3 other sports (soccer, lacrosse, gymnastics, skating, tumbling) is recommended to develop core strength and balance
- Players should be able to dress themselves in their hockey gear and tighten their own skates at 10 & Under
- Participants should be learning how to listen to and follow instructions

Lifestyle

Expose the participant to a wide range of cultural and lifestyle opportunities

- Fun, adventure, social, music and art

Instill an understanding of healthy training habits

- Warm-up and cool-down
- Importance of strength and conditioning for performance and injury prevention
- Healthy diet and staying hydrated
- Rules and ethics of ice hockey

Instill an appreciation for healthy lifestyle

- Importance of school and education
- Importance of family and friends
- Importance of daily physical activity and sports
- Importance of nutrition and sleep

Monitoring

- Keep track of growth by regularly measuring height (3 months) and looking for a sudden increase. The onset of the adolescent growth spurt occurs on average at about 9-10 years of age in girls and 11 years of age in boys. The age at maximum growth is on average 12 years of age for girls and 14 years of age for boys. The adolescent growth spurt can last 18 to 24 months. However, there is considerable individual variation in both the timing and tempo of the growth spurt.
- As training and competition intensifies during 12U, the training load and athlete health and recovery should be monitored. Furthermore, the adolescent growth spurt can also result in adolescent awkwardness and also increase the risk of injury.

Training and Competitive Environment

Formal competition can be introduced in this stage, although it must not divert the focus from a developmental process. Competitions should be limited to the local geographic area. Competition should be fun, and structured to address differences in training age and abilities. Athletes should be recognized for their success and achievement. Training should include small-area games to encourage the adaptability of skill in game play. Small-area games help develop a player's decision making abilities.

10 & Under	
Training/Competition Ratio	75% training and 25% competition
Training Volume	3 to 4 times hockey per week. Session length of 60-75 minutes.
Total # of sessions	95 – 100 ice touches per season
# Practices	75-80 practices
# Competitions	20-25 games
Training Year	6-7 months/year
Team Composition	10-12 skaters and one goaltender. The physiological abilities of players at this age to recover quickly allows them to easily handle the playing requirements of competing every other shift. This will also increase each player's individual puck touches within the competition and make the individual game more productive in terms of player development.
Team Structure	All players within the club should be grouped into teams of like abilities, with the overall focus on evenly distributing the player ability pool across teams within in their skill level. Training/practice sessions should include teams from each level. Position sampling is highly encouraged.
Competition format	This is the stage when club-to-club competition can be introduced
Overall activity ratios	25% hockey, 25% fitness through sport, 50% other sports
Complementary Sports	Athletes are highly encouraged to participate in several sports and activities

12 & Under	
Training/Competition Ratio	70% training and 30% competition
Training Volume	4 times hockey per week. Session length of 60-75 minutes.
Total # of sessions	105 – 120 total ice touches per season
# Practices	80-90 practices

# Competitions	30-35 games
Training Year	7 months/year
Team Composition	15 skaters and two goalies per team. Continue to allow position sampling.
Team Structure	The club may begin to group players onto teams of like ability. While separation on ability is now allowed, the club should try to field multiple teams at the same level. For example, if a club has enough players for three Peewee teams they should try to balance teams. The goal at this level is still the maximum individual development with a development process-driven model, not an outcome-based model.
Competition format	Full-ice competitions for 12 & Under. With game length of 60 to 90 minutes.
Overall activity ratios	25% hockey, 25% fitness through sport, 50% other sports
Complementary Sports	Athletes are highly encouraged to participate in several sports and activities

Quality Coaching

General Considerations

- Coaches must understand that skill acquisition is reduced as the fatigue level increases
- Coaches must manage the flow of information to their players. Limit instruction to 2 or 3 key points maximum as additional information will not be processed well by the athletes.
- Provide opportunities for the players to execute their skills in game-like situations. Players must begin to gain an understanding of how tactics are applied within different playing situations.
- Provide opportunities for repeated decision making in practice and finding solutions to common tactical situations.
- Coaches must provide concise, specific feedback to the athletes.
- Engage players by asking them questions about the playing environment and how they feel, let them provide the answers whenever possible.
- Monitor player's growth for the onset of growth spurt, especially at the 12-and-Under level.

Coach and Instructor Recommendations

- Coaches must all have the appropriate level of USA Hockey Coaching Education Program (CEP) certification and completed the following:
 - On-line coaching module for the age category being coached
 - Background check
 - Completed the United States Center for Safe Sport online program
 - Current year membership registration with USA Hockey

- USA Hockey has complete body-checking materials available and implementation of body contact and body checking training is recommended for 12 & Under coaches.



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- **PLEASE INDICATE WHICH PLAYING RULE OR BY-LAW YOU WISH TO ADD, AMEND OR REPLACE:**

SDAHA Playing Rules 5. Dual Rostering: (Page 5)

(Letter/number/page/etc. – If adding a rule, indicate where you wish rule placed)

- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**

Dual Rostering: A player participating on more than one SDAHA or USA Hockey, Inc. team roster (dual rostering) is not allowed except for the following cases:

a. **Female Participants**: Except for the exceptions listed below, girls may be rostered on only one league team:

i. High School Teams/Girls 14U: For all SDAHA Sanctioned games, a player may be rostered on both a Varsity and Junior Varsity or Girls U14 team.

1. In addition, pending approval by the USA Hockey registrar, two or more associations may join together to form one 14U team when the numbers are not adequate to have their own team in each association.

2. For all other games (pickup games and invitational tournaments), only USA Hockey team rosters (Jr. Gold A and B, Girls 19U, 15U, etc.) and rostering procedures shall be used.

ii. **Girls 12U**: Girls 12 and under may be rostered on a Girls 12U team and dual rostered on a mite or squirt team or a Girls Varsity/GJV team.

- **PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS YOU WISH TO AMEND/ADD IT, USING DIFFERENT COLOR PRINT AND CROSSING OUT PORTIONS OF THE PLAYING RULE YOU WISH CHANGED/REMOVED:**

Dual Rostering: A player participating on more than one SDAHA or USA Hockey, Inc. team roster (dual rostering) is not allowed except for the following cases:

a. **Female Participants**: Rostering on two SDAHA girls teams is allowed from the ages of 12 through 19. Each town must have a separate USA Hockey approved roster for every level of SDAHA they have a participating girls team. No girl can be rostered on more than two SDAHA rosters.

i. Junior Varsity and Varsity: For all SDAHA Sanctioned games, a player may be rostered on both a Varsity and Junior Varsity.

1. With approval by the USA Hockey registrar, two or more associations may join together to form one 14U team when the numbers are not adequate to have their own team in each association.

2. For all other games (pickup games and invitational tournaments), only USA Hockey team rosters (Jr. Gold A and B, Girls 19U, 15U, etc.) and rostering procedures shall be used.

- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

The use of two rosters to facilitate three levels of girls hockey has created a poor quality of hockey for the girls program in the SDAHA. It especially hampers proper development of game skills and a love for the competition of the game at the U14 level. If the state finds this acceptable I would ask that they open the same rules up to the boys program. I can imagine this would not be tolerated in the boys programs and should not be tolerated just because they are girls. A 14 year old girl that is of size and speed to compete at the level of play with varsity players is a danger to the health and development level girls trying to have fun playing hockey at the U14 level.

SUBMITTER NAME/ASSOCIATION: MICHAEL SCHMIT, ABERDEEN HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

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Rule 18 Letter A Page 6 of the State Tournament Rules

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- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**

a. The host association should use the seeding procedure in establishing game times for the first day of SDAHA state tournament play. Highest seeded teams should play during the “prime time” slots. The order of play on the first day of the state tournaments for Youth varsity & jr. varsity levels shall be #3 vs #6, #2 vs #7, #4 vs #5, then #1 vs #8.

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a. The host association should use the seeding procedure in establishing game times for the first day of SDAHA state tournament play. The order of play on the first day of the state tournaments for all levels shall be #3 vs #6, #2 vs #7, #4 vs #5, then #1 vs #8.

- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

This makes the format for all 8 team tournaments the same from PeeWee to Varsity for consistency.

SUBMITTER NAME/ASSOCIATION: Tim Gutormson, Brookings Ice Skating Association

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Rule 2 Letter C Page 3 of the State Tournament Rules

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- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**

The ice is to be resurfaced at a minimum as required in the SDAHA Playing Rules. PeeWee and Bantam: Please let the SDAHA President know if you do not plan to resurface between each period; the ice is to be resurfaced between the first and second overtime period and every other overtime intermission thereafter.

- **PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS YOU WISH TO AMEND/ADD IT, USING DIFFERENT COLOR PRINT AND CROSSING OUT PORTIONS OF THE PLAYING RULE YOU WISH CHANGED/REMOVED:**

Two minute rest between 1st and 2nd period for PeeWee and 14U and resurface after the second period. Resurface after every period for Bantams and above.

- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

During the state tournament PeeWee and 14U needs to be resurfaced after the 2nd period because if you follow what the SDAHA required rules says PeeWee games do not need to be resurfaced during the game (which we also do not agree with). Also make it mandatory to Zamboni every period for Bantams and above. This is the state tournament and blocked times for games will accommodate this. Ice conditions the closer you get to spring can get bad if the weather conditions are too warm.

SUBMITTER NAME/ASSOCIATION: Tim Gutormson, Brookings Ice Skating Association

****SDAHA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DOES NOT SUPPORT****



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Rule 2 Letter D Page 3 of the State Tournament Rules

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- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**

d.Overtimes: Overtimes shall be handled in the following manner: i.Five minute rest, goalies remain in the same net, ten minute sudden-death overtime. ii.Second overtime, resurface ice, goalies switch ends, 10 minute sudden-death overtime. iii.Additional overtimes, repeat #1 and #2.

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In case of a tie at the end of regular play, follow the procedures outlined below:

- 1.Teams must remain in the bench area
- 2.5-minute rest period
- 3.Teams switch ends prior to the start of each overtime period
- 4.8-minute sudden death overtime period will be played
- 5.Make ice with a 15 minute rest period
- 6.15 or 17 (depending on age level)-minute overtime period will be played
- 7.If a tie remains, repeat procedures as indicated in 1-6 above

- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

Change the rule to do approximately ½ of a period in hopes to finish in that amount of time. After Zamboni period the next period should be a complete period length as someone has to win the game.

SUBMITTER NAME/ASSOCIATION: ___Tim Gutormson, Brookings Ice Skating Association

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- **PLEASE INDICATE WHICH PLAYING RULE OR BY-LAW YOU WISH TO ADD, AMEND OR REPLACE:**

This would be added into The State Tournament Rules

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- **PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS YOU WISH TO AMEND/ADD IT, USING DIFFERENT COLOR PRINT AND CROSSING OUT PORTIONS OF THE PLAYING RULE YOU WISH CHANGED/REMOVED:**

State Tournaments shall be held at the completion of the League season of Youth Varsity, Girls Varsity, Bantam A, Bantam B, Pee wee A, Pee wee B, Pee wee C & Girls U14.

- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

The proposed rule eliminates the JV state tournament allows them to play the normal league games. With a league champion at the end of the season. In addition a preseason jamboree with all towns included, including those that do not have a JV team to create one to participate, using some 14u age if necessary and lower skilled Varsity players. This jamboree would be 3-4 games per team depending on team count. At the conclusion of league play host an elaborate jamboree (possibly 2 depending on how many teams in the league - top half teams from league in one jamboree, bottom in another based off league standings for ease of division) inviting teams from ND, MN, and anywhere else to get 12-16 teams in each jamboree. Making it possible for associations to play against teams other than SD teams to gauge development and see other areas of play. SDAHA can decide where these jamborees should

be held. These jamborees need to be held before the Varsity State Tournament. We would also like to keep costs to a minimum for league games to help with expenses that could possibly come up in other areas of this change. One way would be to run all league and jamboree games with a 2 man ref system. Those refs would in turn then be the head refs for the Varsity games that follow with 2 linesmen joining them for the Varsity game. There would be no more lock 10 rule allowing coaches to play kids wherever they feel players need without the emphasis of winning the game in order to be "eligible" to play at the end of the season. This turns the focus strictly to development. Emphasis on this to be special as it may be some kids only "State" type jamboree they will get once they hit the top level of SDAHA play. This allows players more games and more time to develop skills needed to compete for a top level state championship.

This is a difficult decision to make for many as some let it pull at the heart strings for fear of their own child being in this situation. Keep in mind no other major sports hold a JV State Tournament. Development for many reasons physically and mentally are being hindered. Players that should be playing JV see varsity players come down and take their spot just so they can win games in order to get to the JV State Tournament. What does that do to a players confidence in their own game and the coaches trust they never earn because they do not have the opportunity to show or develop the skills because we have to "win." Many life lessons can be learned by this. They would learn to push themselves to work hard and get better, learn what it takes to accomplish and accel at requirements in-front of them in order to get to the next level, and most importantly learn mentally how to preserve through all of the above challenges which all correlate to life and much as hockey.

Coaches from the girls and boys side agree this would help them in developing players creating much stronger JV and Varsity teams. This does away SDAHA telling coaches this player or that player cannot play JV, which is almost always based off of statistics or the age of a player which in no way gauges what the overall skill of a player might be. Coaches feel it would create more competition at all levels in SDAHA players young and old knowing they want to be good enough to play Varsity hockey. Coaches also feel it provides a more like ability competitive and fun place for those simply here to play with friends which every association has and needs a place to play.

SUBMITTER NAME/ASSOCIATION: BRUCE RIEFFENBERGER/WATERTOWN LAKERS_____

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State Tournament Rule#8, Subsection d: found on Page 5 of the current State Tournament Rules.

- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**

League championship awards will be presented to each member of the championship team in each league and a plaque to the league championship team. They should be awarded at the opening ceremony (at applicable levels), when all teams are present since this is the only recognition that the members of the league championship team receive.

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SDAHA pays for all trophies and medallions through assessments. The SDAHA president will request bids on all these items from among the trophy dealers in the member association communities. The bids are due back by the 15th of January each season. ~~The cost of the league championship patches and plaques will be borne by SDAHA.~~ The SDAHA president will arrange to have the trophies, medallions, and plaques delivered to each tournament.

- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

This correction is being made to align with the current practice which has been in place for many years. All costs of SDAHA are assessed to local associations (through team assessments, player assessments, background check assessments, state tournament assessments etc). Rather than made this cost a part of a different assessment, it makes the most sense to include this State Tournament Cost within the State Tournament Assessments

SUBMITTER NAME/ASSOCIATION: JEFF SCHEEL, SDAHA TREASURER

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State Tournament Rule#2, Subsection C: Tournament Format found on Page 3 of the current State Tournament Rules.

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The ice is to be resurfaced at a minimum as required in the SDAHA Playing Rules. Peewee and Bantam: Please let the SDAHA President know if you do *not* plan to resurface between each period; the ice is to be resurfaced between the first and second overtime period and every other overtime intermission thereafter.

- **PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS YOU WISH TO AMEND/ADD IT, USING DIFFERENT COLOR PRINT AND CROSSING OUT PORTIONS OF THE PLAYING RULE YOU WISH CHANGED/REMOVED:**

The Ice Surface at State Tournaments for the PW, Bantam, GU14, GJV, and Youth Varsity shall be resurfaced during the 2nd intermission. The Ice Surface at State Tournaments for the Girls Varsity and Youth Varsity shall be resurfaced at the first intermission and the 2nd intermission. For all levels when there is/are overtime periods, the ice is to be resurfaced between the first and second overtime period and every other overtime intermission thereafter.

- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

The rules for Peewees and GU14 currently allow for no ice resurfacing at the discretion of the host association. During most league games at these levels, ice is being resurfaced during the 2nd intermission. This change will allow for consistency with league games.

SUBMITTER NAME/ASSOCIATION: JEFF SCHEEL, SDAHA TREASURER AND JENNI WIRKUS SDAHA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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State Tournament Rule#2, Subsection H: found on Page 4 of the current State Tournament Rules.

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In the Youth Varsity and JV State Tournaments only, there will be no places determined other than Consolation Championship (5th/ 6th Places), 3rd Place Championship (3rd/ 4th Places), and Championship (1st/ 2nd Places).

- **PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS YOU WISH TO AMEND/ADD IT, USING DIFFERENT COLOR PRINT AND CROSSING OUT PORTIONS OF THE PLAYING RULE YOU WISH CHANGED/REMOVED:**

In the Youth Varsity, Girls Varsity, and JV State Tournaments only, there will be no places determined other than Consolation Championship (5th/ 6th Places), 3rd Place Championship (3rd/ 4th Places), and Championship (1st/ 2nd Places).

- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

This proposal simply adds the reference of Girls Varsity and ensures the rules follow our current practices. This eliminates any confusion when reading the rule.

SUBMITTER NAME/ASSOCIATION: JEFF SCHEEL, SDAHA TREASURER AND JENNI WIRKUS SDAHA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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State Tournament Rule#8, Subsection e: found on Page 5 of the current State Tournament Rules.

- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**

All State academic achievement awards will be presented to varsity/jr. varsity players (seniors) that have achieved a 3.30 cumulative grade point or above during three years of hockey participation through the first semester of their senior year. These awards will be handed out during the opening ceremonies.

- **PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS YOU WISH TO AMEND/ADD IT, USING DIFFERENT COLOR PRINT AND CROSSING OUT PORTIONS OF THE PLAYING RULE YOU WISH CHANGED/REMOVED:**

All State academic achievement awards will be presented to varsity/jr. varsity players (seniors) that have achieved a 3.30 cumulative grade point or above during three years of hockey participation through the first semester of their senior year. These awards will be handed out during the opening ceremonies of the applicable Varsity Tournaments.

- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

This correction is being made to clarify these will be handed out during the Varsity Tournaments. This made sense to clarify because there are no opening ceremonies other than during the Varsity Tournaments.

SUBMITTER NAME/ASSOCIATION: JEFF SCHEEL, SDAHA TREASURER AND JENNI WIRKUS, SDAHA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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State Tournament Rule#8, Subsection b: found on Page 4 of the current State Tournament Rules.

- **IF AMENDING OR REPLACING, PLEASE WRITE THE RULE AS IT IS CURRENTLY WORDED:**

League championship awards will be presented to each member of the championship team in each league and a plaque to the league championship team. They should be awarded at the opening ceremony (at applicable levels), when all teams are present since this is the only recognition that the members of the league championship team receive.

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League championship awards will be presented to each member of the championship team in each league and a plaque to the league championship team. They should be awarded at the opening ceremony (~~at applicable levels for Girls Varsity and Youth Varsity~~). ~~when all teams are present since this is the only recognition that the members of the league championship team receive.~~ For all other levels, League Championship Awards shall be presented as a part of the announcing of the lineups during the first State Tournament game played by the championship team.

- **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY YOU WISH TO ADD OR AMEND THE RULE:**

For all levels other than Varsity, there is no point during the tournament where all teams are present. This clarifies when the League Championship Awards should be presented.

SUBMITTER NAME/ASSOCIATION: JEFF SCHEEL, SDAHA TREASURER AND JENNI WIRKUS SDAHA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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