



UAHA REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Date: May 3, 2021

Location: ZOOM

Regular Session 7:00 p.m.

- Guest Self-Introductions

In Attendance: Jason Empey, Vice President, Derrick Radke, President, Shelly Strahan, Secretary, Steve Picano, VP of Disabled Hockey, Shannon Schmidt, Youth VP, Jill Day, Treasurer, Paul Lehman, Tier VP, Doug Anne, Women's VP, Kathleen Smith, Past President/Rocky Mtn Rep, Carole Strong VP of Discipline, Michael Strahan, ADM Rep, Misti Herbstritt, VP of HS, Chuck Dorval, Women's VP Elect, Tim Odell, Tier VP Elect, Robyn Eyer Long, VP of Discipline Elect, Ryan Bonham, Jared Youngman, Jeff Kite, Scott Grant, Dayna Geiger, Marcus Pezzolesi, Jason Simmons, Yvette Connelly, Lisa D'Urso, Mariko Rollins, Patrick Jacobsen, DCYHA, Chris Delaney, Utah Jr. Grizz, Nick Dreyer, Weber County, Sean Wilmert, Weber County/Mustangs, Briggs Depew, Utah Jr. Grizz/Weber County

Absent:

Approval of April 5 minutes: Shannon Schmidt motioned to approve, Carole Strong seconded, it passed unanimously

- A. **2021 Election Results:** Derrick included a table of the votes. Results were as follows: Jason Empey, Ex. Vice President, Jill Day, Treasurer, Robyn Eyer Long, Disciplinary VP, Tim Odell, Travel VP, Chuck Dorval, Girls/Women's Vice President
There were no votes cast during the voting window last Saturday. Park City voted, but they were too late to meet the window. In the event of a tie, there should be a run-off election, but there were no adult reps on the phone, so that was not possible. Article 11 Section 1 says that the Board shall fill the vacancy until another vote is held. This meeting can be considered an opening of the position, so the board can vote if it wants. There are two qualified candidates for the position. Jason Empey made the motion to appoint Ryan Bonham for the next year until the next available election. Steve Picano seconded. Ryan Bonham discussed some of his plans to bring more adults back to USA Hockey. There was only one dissenting vote, so the motion carried. New electees will start at the June Board Meeting next month.
- B. **Discussion and Possible Approval of Proposed Rule Prohibiting Playing Up:**
Derrick included an attached memorandum. Steve Picano said that certain birth years have lower numbers of players. He said that the two players who were playing up last year did fine, they didn't stick out as not belonging in their group. Derrick said that he has struggles with filling teams with younger players. Steve said he had less issue with the girls playing up than with the boys playing up. Kathleen suggested that the new rule be for youth teams only (girls teams would still be able to do move ups). Jason Empey motioned to leave move-ups to orgs, Shannon seconded. It passed unanimously.

C. Discussion and possible approval of proposed policy on data collection for Tier I/Tier II teams:

Organizations with Travel rosters would provide the following to the Youth VP:

- 1- No later than 14 days later the number of players at tryouts and their birth years
- 2- Report game final scores and games played (myhockey?)

Tier I/Tier II:

- 1- No later than 14 days later the number of players at tryouts and their birth years
- 2- Report game final scores and games played (myhockey?)
Jason Empey made a motion to deny the policy, Shannon seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

D. Discussion on changes to allow Weber County to host an 18U Tier II team:

The board made an error in the decision to allow an 18U Tier II team for Weber County. They have not been an organization long enough, and do not have enough Tier teams to meet the current UAHA policy. Jason motioned to reverse the previous discussion and Shannon seconded. The motion passed. Discussion was then opened regarding Weber County's Tier II request for 18U. Mariko mentioned that both Lady Grizz and WCR have had years when they have only had 1 Tier team. She also mentioned that they are not a new program, but just the county taking over an existing program that was failing (and has had Tier teams in the past). Jared Youngman/Eagles asked if they could have their 18U team back. Jill Day motioned to allow Weber to have the team, Shelly seconded. The motion passed 5 to 2. Jill Day motioned to let the Eagles have an 18U team, Shannon seconded. Each team would have to field 15 players by a specific time. They have to have 13 players within 2 weeks of tryouts. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Proposal by Steve Picano related to State Camp Blackout dates:

March 18, 19 and 20, 2021 would be dates that are blacked out for state camp, so no one else can do anything on those dates. Steve also wants to hire a video crew to film the state camp so that they can keep it parent free, and still give parents the chance to watch. Shelly motioned to grant both of those items, Doug Anne seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

F. Section Reports:

- a. Misty Herbstritt, HS VP: Misty had to leave the call early.
- b. Doug Anne, Women's VP: Lady Grizz women's 19U team made it to the semi finals at nationals. Tryouts are currently slated for the weekend of June 11, 2021.
- c. Adult VP: This section will not be filled until June 2021 (see first item above)
- d. Shannon Schmidt, Rec Hockey VP: Nothing this month.
- e. Paul Lehman, Tier VP: Paul was out of town.
- f. Steve Picano, Disabled Hockey VP: Nothing
- g. Wayne Woodhall, Coaching Ed: Not in attendance
- h. Michael Strahan, ADM Rep: Not in attendance
- i. Jared Bussell, Goalie Rep: Not in attendance
- j. Safesport: Nothing to report
- k. Safety Director, Dayna Geiger: The health department reached out when there was an uptick in cases, and Derrick was able to point to the COVID guidelines on the website

and the letter that went out to teams, and so we did not get paused by the health department/state government.

- l. Brian Murray: Not in attendance
- m. Cathy Anderson, Registrar: Not in attendance
- n. Carole Strong, Discipline VP: Carole thanked everyone for the past 5 years she has worked as Discipline VP. She has had 5 recent hearings, 3 have appealed, with 5 more in May.
- o. Jill Day, Treasurer: Nothing to report.
- p. Shelly Strahan, Secretary: Nothing to report
- q. Jason Empey, Vice President: Jason thanked Doug and Carole and other outgoing board members.
- r. Kathleen Smith, Former President/Rocky Mtn Rep: Kathleen echoed Jason's comment on outgoing board members. 14U II Eagles took Bronze at nationals, and 19U II Lady Grizz took Bronze.
- s. Derrick Radke, President: Next month budgets will be formulated for approvals in July.

Next meeting will be June 7, 2021. We adjourned at 9:17 p.m.