

AHAI BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING October 2, 2006

The following were present at the meeting: Mike Mullally, John Dunne, Terry Stasica, Ken Michel, Lisa Olsen, Bob Saliba, Pete Humann, Don Allord, Dennis O'Malley, Randy Jacobs, Maddy Rossobillo and Paul Jakubowski.

President Mullally called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

The September 5, 2006 minutes were distributed, reviewed and corrected and accepted. They will be sent to JJ O'Connor to be posted to the website.

New Business

The Hall of Fame Dinner will be on January 28, 2007.

Ken Michel said he had made some adjustments to the Web Tool and that the High Schools were lax in registering rosters online. He proposed that for next year maybe distributing a CD to install the program would be beneficial

It was reported that the Task Force Committee already had a conference call meeting on the USAH Standards of Play.

USAH/Youth Council Update: a proposal to temporarily suspend the 15 penalty limit was soundly defeated.

It is reported that Lake Forest High School is being sued by an individual for being removed from the team.

Mike noted that Suspensions occurring to players on Indiana teams playing in SICA need to be reported to the Indiana Affiliate.

AHAI will staff a Gently Used Equipment Donation booth at the Nike/Bauer AAA Tournament at 7 Bridges on November 2 thru 5. AHAI will also distribute USAH brochures and local Learn to Play Hockey Program literature.

Committee Reports

CEP-John Dunne

John noted that the CEP Clinics have been going well and that the New Standards of Play have been a highly emphasized topic.

Player Development-John Dunne

Monday night is College Night. All AHAI Board members were asked to attend. John asked Board members to give some thought to suggestions to revamp College Night for next year.

Blackhawk Cup-Maddy Rossobillo

Maddy said that host sites for the 2007 State Championships have been selected: Mites / Hawks; Squirts / Cyclones; Pee Wee / Flames; Bantams / Chargers; Midgets / Huskies.

Downstate-Randy Jacobs

Randy reported that there are lower numbers this year in Champaign, Decatur and Danville.

Girls-Dennis O'Malley

Dennis said the final combined teams have been approved and that there are 11 Girls HS teams this season.

Tier II-Bob Saliba

Bob reported that there have been 78 requests for return of a Second Choice so far.

High School-Terry Stasica

Of the 20 Holiday Tournament bids let, 7 have committed so far. The Showcase Coaching Staff this year will be Bill Melton, Paul Novak, and Nick Ianciancio.

R&E-Ken Michel

There are 2 financial suspension cases on the docket presently.

ASRC-Kevin Bolger

Mike reported for Kevin that the next meeting will be October 11, 2006.

Old Business**One Goal Program**

Illinois is getting 200 sets of equipment as one of the Pilot Affiliates, but USAH is a bit behind on the delivery.

Girls Locker Room Policy

It was decided that the USAH Youth Council guideline will be used for AHAI. It will be posted to the AHAI website. Mike will email all the policy.

Helmet Rule

It was proposed that the text "not in good standing" be eliminated from the Rule. Exact wording will be determined. Randy Jacobs made a motion to eliminate "not in good standing" from the Rule. It was seconded by Bob Saliba. The Rule will be posted to the AHAI website when we have the exact text. It will also then be published in next year's AHAI Guidebook.

Tier II - 75/25 Rule Change

After much discussion and debate, John Dunne made a motion with a second by Ken Michel to change the Rule to:

Clubs with 4 or more teams: AA, A, A, B, B

Clubs with 3 & less: AA, A, B

Clubs with 2 teams: AA with the 2nd team able to petition to play down

Clubs with 1 team may petition for position.

The motion carried and the format will be posted to the web.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Jakubowski
AHAI Recording Secretary