

AHAI BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

January 5, 2004

The following were present at the meeting: Bob Mathson, Maddy Rossobillo, Bob Saliba, Rich Becker, Pete Humann, Don Allord, Kevin Bolger, Mark Shutan, Lisa Olsen, Dennis O'Malley and Paul Jakubowski.

President Mathson called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. The minutes from the December 1st meeting were distributed, read and unanimously approved with two minor changes. They will be sent to J.J. O'Connor to be posted to the website.

Treasurers Report

A copy of the year to date P&L Statement was distributed and explained by Bob Mathson and unanimously approved by the board.

Registrars Report

Copies of the Registrars Report were handed out. The total number of Illinois Players, Coaches, and Managers that are registered with USA Hockey is 20,788 and the total number of Illinois registered teams is 1935. Players (6 Girls, 6 High School, 1 High School Backup Goalie, 1 Tier I, 7 Tier II, and 3 Tier II Backup Goalies) who "Petitioned to be added to the AHAI Rosters after 10/15/03 were approved by the AHAI Registrar.

Committee Reports

High School

The High School teams are starting to register for the State Tournament online with the first deadline being January 11th. So far the online registration is working well. The next meeting is scheduled for January 20th at 7 pm.

Tier II – Bob Saliba

There have been questions regarding the Mite A-2's and the number of games allowed in their season. AHAI does not stipulate the number of games, it recommends only ten games, but the season is for 90 days.

Appeals – Bob Saliba

In the only case heard the Committee reduced a decision to 60 days from 120, but added a probation period for the individual through January of 2005. The next Appeals Committee meeting is January 6, 2004 at 7pm.

Women's – Lisa Olsen

Twelve teams are registered to play in the State Tournament.

Girls – Dennis O'Malley/Lisa Olsen

During the State Tournament four 8 and Under teams will play in exhibition games. Crystal Lake's completed application for the GROW grant was reviewed and unanimously passed. Crystal Lake has had great success with this program in the past.

Coaching – John Dunne

Rich Becker for John Dunne said that the Peoria and Pekin CEP clinics held the first two weekends in December were a great success.

Rules & Ethics - Bruce Meckler

Pete Humann for Bruce Meckler said that things had been fairly quiet. Zero Tolerance has really been working.

Player Development – Pete Humann

The confirmation deadline for the Prep Jamboree is Thursday night. The Jamboree is on Monday, January 19th, Martin Luther King Day.

Suspension – Mark Shutan

Things have been light so far. Tomorrow night's hearing is scheduled for 5 cases to be heard.

Tier I.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 13th at 7 pm.

IHOA – Don Allord

Plans for the Prep Jamboree are being finalized by Joe Prescott. A Performance Committee is being established to review referees. Also, IHOA is creating a Schedulers Committee to oversee the many difficulties that arise in the scheduling process and to attempt to establish guidelines for this. The issue of "hits to the head" was discussed and agreed that they must be called on a consistent basis. And finally, the IHOA R&E Committee has several cases currently be heard.

The next meeting will be on February 2, 2004. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Jakubowski
Recording Secretary