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AHAI Board of Directors Meeting March 4, 2002

The following were present at the meeting: Don Allord, Rich Becker, Jay Cohen, Cindy Fujii, Dick Glass, Pete Humann, David LaBuda, Fred Lopez, Bob Mathson, Jim McGlynn, Ken Michel, Mike Mullally, Lisa Olsen, Dennis O'Malley, Maddy Rossobillo, Bob Saliba, Mark Shutan, Jim Smith, and Norm Spiegel.

The following were not present at the meeting: Mike Lebarre.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm and the minutes of the last board meeting were approved as presented.

Treasurer's / "Smith" Reports - Jim Smith

Committee and AHAI Financial Reports (6/1/01 - 3/1/02) were distributed, reviewed and approved. Jim needs responses from the Directors for the following upcoming events; Blackhawk Alumni Scholarship Luncheon 3/21/02 and Blackhawk Cup Championship Awards Dinner on 3/24/02. Everything is in order for the upcoming Chicago Showcase at the AHC in April; more details at the April Board of Directors meeting. The \$3.00 fee increase mandated by USA Hockey will begin with the 2002-2003 season; the resultant AHAI fee will be \$28.00 - membership being notified now!

Registrar's Report - Norm Spiegel

Illinois registrations will be down ~ 90-100 teams from last year, mostly from Adults & Mites. We should expect to see an increase in Girls and Youths registrations due to the Olympics. Fox Valley Adults remain unregistered by Dan Lichterman.

Youth House League Committee - Mike Mullally

Upcoming meeting around the end of March to start planning for next year.

Tier II Committee - Bob Saliba

The committee will be presenting a By-Law proposal to the Board at the April meeting.

Tier II Youth Blackhawk Cup Committee - Maddy Rossobillo

Great job done by ALL of the many volunteers! All the game results are on the website thanks to Jim Smith. This year the committee emphasized proper Coaching Certifications and Screenings - a good start that will continue next year. One incident involving a forged birth certificate at the Mite A level resulted in a Vikings team being disqualified. Wrap-up meeting will be held on 3/7/02.

Junior Committee - Jim McGlynn

League tournaments for all levels coming up in May. Tier 1 Juniors still on USA Hockey agenda.



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Coaching Committee - Rich Becker

Coaching Cards are being checked at Tier II & High School levels for State Tournament games at AHC. Next year Ken Michel has arranged for all Coaches registrations to be completed online.

Screening - Norm Spiegel

A few new people managed to comply within their 30 day requirement.

Player Development Committee - Norm Spiegel

The AHAI Player Development Camp is set for April 12-14 at the AHC; mailing was just sent out and is due back by 3/10/02.

Girls' / Women's Committee - Dennis O'Malley

The Lake Forest Academy Supersite Weekend went very well; thanks to all the volunteer help. The Women's State Tournament will be held in two weeks. The first ever Girls' Showcase team has been selected and is now listed on the website.

Tier I (Open) Committee - Norm Spiegel

The State Tournament is over and the competition was excellent. Norm distributed the list of teams that will be continuing on to the District Championships.

Adult Hockey Committee

No Report.

Suspension Review Committee - Mark Shutan

Discussion regarding Anthony Ignoffo case and Coach John Calahan. 6 cases scheduled for 3/6/02 and 3 cases for 3/20/02.

Rules and Ethics Committee - Pete Humann

The committee will be hearing the "forged birth certificate" case at their next meeting.

Appeals Committee - Bob Saliba

One case to be heard; from the Suspension Review Committee - Anthony Ignoffo, Evanston Bantam.

In-Line Hockey Committee

No Report.



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Diversity Task Force - Cindy Fujii

Season completed end of February; inline will be starting up soon.

High School Committee - Dick Glass

State Tournament started on Monday, March 4th.

Supervisor of Officials - Don Allord

No Report.

Old Business

Nick Riewer updated the Board on the status of the Johnny's Chicago Chill lawsuit.

New Business

Bob Mathson requested that ALL Directors be available for a possible meeting next Monday, 3/11/02.

A \$2100 check for tables at the Jim Smith Italian American Hall of Fame dinner was approved.

The next AHAI Board of Directors meeting should be held on Monday, 4/1/02, 7:00pm at the **AHAI Hockey Center**.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded and the meeting concluded at 8:55pm.

Mark Shutan, **AHAI Secretary**

