

**AHAI Board of Directors Meeting  
June 26, 2000**

The following were present at the meeting: Don Allord, Rich Becker, Jim Benz, Jay Cohen, Mark Cohen, Cindy Fujii, Dick Glass, Mike Lebarre, Frank Leonette, Kevin Mann, Bob Mathson, Bob Saliba, Mark Shutan, Jim Smith, Norm Spiegel.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm and the minutes of the last board meeting were approved as revised and amended.

**Treasurer's / "Smith" Report - Jim Smith**

The following items were distributed: June 1 - 26, 2000 AHAI Profit & Loss Statement, 2000-2001 AHAI Ice Contracts and Final 1999-2000 Committee Income & Expense Statements. The Final 1999-2000 AHAI Budget and the New 2000-2001 AHAI Budget will be available in August. Jim requested the return of Director and Committee member Guide Book information as soon as possible. The Blackhawk Charities Grant money is expected to be raised to \$145,000 next year.

**Registrar's Report - Norm Spiegel**

There are still a few summer league teams being registered. Registrar's meeting 8/1/00, 7:00pm.

**Youth House League Committee - Mark Cohen**

2 new committee members were added from the south side of Chicago. Next meeting 6/29/00.

**Tier II Committee - Bob Saliba** - No Report.

**Tier II Youth Blackhawk Cup Committee - Bob Saliba** - No Report.

**Junior Committee - Jim McGlynn** - No Report.

**Coaching Committee - Rich Becker**

The list of coaches to be recertified this upcoming season is still being determined.

**Screening - Norm Spiegel** - No Report.

**Player Development Committee - Norm Spiegel**

The Bantam camp was just completed, "16" Camp now, "15" Camp in August, "17" camp in July.

**Women's / Girl's Committee - Jay Cohen**

The upcoming meeting agenda will include rules changes and new guidelines for next season.

**Open Committee - Norm Spiegel**

The first meeting under the new chairperson will be held on June 27, 2000.

**Seniors Committee - Kevin Mann** - No Report.

**Suspension Review Committee - Ken Glowacki** - No Report.

**In-Line Hockey Committee - Frank Leonette** - No Report.

**Diversity Task Force - Cindy Fujii** - No Report.

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**Rules and Ethics Committee - Dick Glass**

Discussions have begun on new required minimum sanctions for offenses next season and new guidelines regarding AHAI involvement in financial suspensions.

Appeals were heard regarding the AHAI decision on an incident from 1/2/00. After hearing statements presented by: Tim Gilbert (Huskies player), Tauny Gilbert (parent) and Kyle Hirsch (Huskies player) the AHAI Board of Directors Unanimously Approved upholding all of the decisions of AHAI regarding Tim Gilbert and Kyle Hirsch and Approved 9 - 3 upholding all of the decisions of AHAI regarding Tauny Gilbert. An Appeal from Dr. Steve Krates was postponed until the August 7th Board of Directors meeting.

**High School Committee - Bob Mathson**

Recommended rule changes for 2000-2001 were presented regarding the High School Team Roster Registration date (Guidebook page 39) and the High School Combined teams rule regarding any organization with more than 30 players must field BOTH a Varsity and Junior Varsity team (Article I, Paragraph C, Section 6, Subsection F). Both Passed Unanimously.

**CSDHL - Norm Spiegel**

The next meeting will be on July 17th with the scheduling meeting planned for mid-August. Plans now call for there to be from 10 - 12 teams at each level.

**Supervisor of Officials - Don Allord**

Currently there are 877 registered officials with 735 under the age of 20!

There are plans to emphasize more online game report use by officials this season.

**Old Business**

Norm Spiegel presented the slate for this year's AHAI Officers Election. All of the current officers were unanimously reelected.

The topic of when do Tier II and High School players become locked on rosters was discussed. Rich Becker was given unanimous approval to put into writing what the directors agreed upon and he distributed it via fax and e-mail on June 28th to all directors. Also, possible recruiting rules changes and exactly when do rules changes take effect is being investigated by Rich Becker.

**New Business**

A short summary of some of the happenings that occurred at the USAH Annual Congress was presented including that President Walter Bush was elected to the Hockey Hall of Fame and that the USAH Website will be undergoing reconstruction in the near future.

J.J. O'Connor will soon be co-chairing a major local fundraising event with Christopher Reeves.

The possibility of changing the process and / or requirements for future appeals being heard by the AHAI Board of Directors was introduced and should be discussed again soon.

The next AHAI Board of Directors meeting should be held on Monday, 08/07/00, 7:00pm at the **AHAI Hockey Center**.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded and the meeting concluded at 10:10pm.

**Mark Shutan, AHAI Secretary**