

## **AHAI Board of Directors Meeting January 3, 2000**

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

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

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

Jim distributed an updated January AHAI Event Schedule for any additions and / or corrections.

The AHAI Treasurer's Department is ~3/4 being completely computerized and we should be seeing regular monthly reports beginning next month.

### **Registrar's Report - Norm Spiegel**

Currently ~1865 teams from Illinois are registered; Seniors and House League are still behind.

Late roster additions (Bartlett High School, Pekin Squirt A, Rockford Mite A, Rockford PeeWee A) from Holly Spiegel were Unanimously Approved with NO State Tournament play allowed!

### **Youth House League Committee - Mark Cohen**

A follow-up letter was sent out 12/14 about the Skills Showcase on February 20th at the AHC.

### **Tier II Committee - Bob Saliba**

A special meeting was held with the Tier II presidents regarding the Two Choice Rule. It was well attended (~80%) and most people feel that things should continue as they are! The "Counseling" forms need to be redesigned so that individuals better understand the consequences and we can avoid some of the recent problems. A question was raised about modifying the way that the Two Choice Rule applies to Midget level players. Seven "Substitute Choice" requests were granted for the 1999-2000 season from 15 Midget, 5 Bantam, 4 PeeWee, 1 Squirt and 1 Mite applications.

Three new Organization Applications are still pending (Buffalo Grove, Addison, Elmhurst / Blues).

### **Tier II Youth Blackhawk Cup Committee - Bob Saliba**

The next meeting will be held on 1/4/00 at the AHC. Tournament invitations were mailed out in December with a follow-up reminder letter going out to the Presidents on 1/4/00. After discussion it was determined that any games played by Tier II teams against House League teams would NOT count toward the 25 / 75% Rule and games played against Girls teams would count!

### **Junior Committee - Jim McGlynn**

All of our U.S. National teams were active during the holidays, with the Women's team finishing in 2nd place and some Bronze Medal games on the Men's side.

### **Coaching Committee - Rich Becker**

All the Clinics have been completed and they went very well. The "specialty clinics" had some problems that will be worked out for next year.

### **Screening - Norm Spiegel**

~ \$20,000 is still owed to AHAI for the 1998-1999 Screening Program! This season's receivables have been kept low by requiring payment BEFORE distributing any forms.

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**Player Development Committee - Norm Spiegel**

This year's Prep Jamboree will be held on Monday, 1/17/00 at the AHC - HELP NEEDED in AM! The CSDHL Bantam / Midget Showcase will be held on Saturday 1/15 & Sunday 1/16 at the AHC.

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

The CSHL is about half-way through it's season with no problems. This year's State Tournaments will be held as follows: 10 and Under, Seniors at Johnny's Ice House; 12 and Under, 15 and Under, 19 and Under, High School at the AHC.

Judy Ferwerda (Central District - Wisconsin) is promoting the idea that USA Hockey NOT let any Women's Prep teams participate in Regionals??

**Open Committee - Jim Cline**

No Report.

**Senior / Old Timers Committee - Kevin Mann**

This year's new brochure should be out by next month.

**Suspension Review Committee - Ken Glowacki**

No Report.

**Rules and Ethics Committee - Dick Glass**

A complete summary of ALL of this season's committee decisions was handed out, Any suspensions for financial reasons need better guidelines for future AHAI follow-up.

**In-Line Hockey Committee - Frank Leonette**

The 2000 National Championships will probably NOT be here this summer.

**Diversity Task Force - Cindy Fujii**

No Report.

**High School Committee - Bob Mathson**

Tournament and All-State invitations were mailed out in December and are due by January 12th.

**CSDHL - Pete Creticos / Norm Spiegel**

The following CSDHL Skills Clinics are scheduled: Squirt 1/3/00, PeeWee 1/10/00, Bantam 1/17/00 and Midget 1/24/00 at the AHC. Things seem to be going well, however some of the lower teams are unhappy as is usually the case.

**Supervisor of Officials - Don Allord**

No Report.

**Old Business**

The lawsuit from Downers Grove North was settled before going to court.

The situation with the Goss lawsuit is that for everyone's benefit the only people who should speak on this subject are Rich Becker and Jim Smith; please refer any questions to them!

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**New Business**

None.

The next AHAI Board of Directors meeting should be held on Monday, 2/7/00, 7:00pm at the **AHAI Hockey Center**.

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

**Mark Shutan, AHAI Secretary**