

Alaska State Hockey Association
Board Meeting
August 27, 2011

Members present: Corey Millen, Destry Lind, Lynn Thompson, Carol Hammingh, Annetta Powell, Kris Knauss, Chad Jones, Scott Hulse, Kim Griffith, Wayne Sawchuk, Jack Tragis, Tim Stage, Ted Barton, Dan Massie, Mike Laflamme, Vilma Shuttleworth, Rick Keil, Keith Morris, Pete Sloan, Sally Messing, Sally Wright and Mandy Reale (alt.).

Officers present: Darryl Thompson, Brenda Luthi, Joe Newhouse, Keith Berrian, Rosalie Nadeau, Kim Rupp, Anna Culley and Dennis Sorenson.

USA Hockey officials present: Dan Rogness, Connie Hardwick and Rick Trupp.

Members excused: Pat Mc Donald, Rich Brister, Lisa McPheters and John Jolly.

The meeting was called to order by Darryl Thompson, President. Introductions were made of all present.

The minutes were approved as presented.

Correspondence: Darryl gave a word of caution regarding an email sent out to many people regarding a possible hockey family reality show.

The agenda was approved as presented.

There were no persons to be heard.

President's Report: Darryl Thompson reported that Cullen Wallace has resigned as VP of the Comp Council due to job commitments. Darryl appointed Rosalie Nadeau to step in as the VP of the Comp Council. A thanks was given to Rosalie to accept this position. Wayne Sawchuk moved, Joe Newhouse seconded to approve the appointment of Rosalie as VP of the Comp Council. The motion passed. Darryl also reminded everyone to get the word out on the rule changes for this year. Darryl gave a reminder to everyone to be sure to check the screening lists of coaches on the website before beginning the season.

Finance Report: Joe Newhouse will have the budget ready for the next meeting. He went over the financials and answered questions. There is a Buddy Freeland Grant available for us. Check the Pacific District website for information.

VP Tournaments: Darryl Thompson reported for Lisa McPheters that the Kenai Association did not field a U16B team, and as such, the North Stars have stepped up to the plate and agreed to host the U16B tournament. The dates are not yet set, either the weekend of March 2-4, 2012 or March 9-11, 2012.

VP Comp: Rosalie Nadeau reported that the scheduling meetings last night and this morning went very well. She made note that there is an error on page 87 of the new guideline book. The U-14 Bantams Coordinator is Shelly Eller, and her email should be shelly@yukontel.com. Rosalie also reported that the number of comp teams are down this year.

VP House: Anna Culley reported that the house teams are gearing up for the season.

VP Girls/Women: Kim Rupp presented her report (see attached).

VP Adults: Keith Berrian went over his report which included the many rule changes (see attached).

VP Player Development: Dennis Sorenson reported that the Boys Selects will be on December 22-23 this year. It will be the same format. If you have coaches who want to get involved, please contact Dennis. The District Camps will be announced shortly. Alaska is still producing good players, just not as good of teams as in the past. A correction was noticed on page 18 of the new guideline book – please cross out the Birth Year 94 and add 98 on both the Boys and Girls camps. Also, congratulations were given to Dennis for becoming the new District Director for USA Hockey!!

Discipline: No report.

Associate Risk Manager: Brenda Luthi reported for Suzy Coronel a reminder for associations to remember that all fundraisers need to be sanctioned. Suzy takes care of off-ice activities, and Connie takes care of on-ice activities. She would like for associations to start getting requests into her for Certificates of Insurance. They are sometimes a bit tricky to obtain.

Registrar: Dan Rogness went over statistics (see attached).

Associate Registrar: (see attached).

Referee-in-Chief: No report.

Coach-in-Chief: Rick Trupp went over his report (see attached).

Jr. Hockey: Jack Tragis reported that the season opens this weekend. The NAHL has hired its own referee-in-chief to help oversee the 840 regular season games. He will be in Alaska next month.

Old Business: Darryl Thompson discussed the Try-Out Ethics Committee, which consists of Dan Massie, Kris Knauss and Matt Shasby. They would like your input.

So each association is asked to give it considerable thought so it can be discussed at a later date and be ready to input for next season.

New Business: Darryl Thompson mentioned that our website needs attention. He knows someone who could update information, spruce up the website and keep it running throughout the year. He will send out a dollar amount for board member approval later.

Kris Knauss moved and Rosalie Nadeau seconded that Dennis Sorenson be compensated \$1500 per season to maintain Pointstreak for this hockey season. The motion was amended to state that it would be a one-time payment. Discussion followed. The motion passed.

A discussion began regarding second year PeeWees playing Bantams with the no-check rule in force this season. A question came up regarding individual players who want to play up. USA Hockey will not allow teams to play up, but there isn't a rule regarding individuals. Discussion will happen at our next meeting. Please get input from your associations regarding this issue.

Board Member Comments:

Darryl Thompson wants everyone to look into the Alaska Concussion law and be ready to discuss this at our next meeting.

Keith Morris reminded everyone that the playing-up issue applies to house teams and girls teams, as well as comp teams.

Tim Stage thanked Lisa McPheters for her help with the State Tournaments this year.

Mandy Reale said that the Boys/Girls Club has purchased ice dividers for use at Dempsy Arena. The House Scheduling will happen sometime in October.

Brenda Luthi reminded those teams that haven't submitted their list of officers for 2011-2012 and their current handbooks, that she needs them.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be November 12, 2011, at 10:00 am at the Coast Inn in Anchorage.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Luthi
ASHA Secretary

