

**Minutes – Monday, February 13, 2017 at 6:30**  
AAHA Monthly Meeting at the Ice Den Warming Room  
Conference Call in Number 712-832-8310 Dial in Access Code is 608-0156

- Call to order
- Dial in to Conference call if needed
- Establish a quorum and identify any directors with proxies  
    Sherri Koshiol – proxy to Sean White // Jim Rogers – proxy to Jim Curly  
    Joth Jacobson – Brian Gallagher – Phone
- Introductions  
    Ted Burr – new VOSHA director
- Approval of the agenda  
    Motion 1<sup>st</sup> – Jim Curley – 2<sup>nd</sup> Chad Hampton
- Approval of last month's minutes  
    Motion 1<sup>st</sup> – Jim Curly – 2<sup>nd</sup> Chad Hampton

**Reports**

- President / VP Report – **sent electronically**  
    Thanks committees for reports –  
    USA Hockey meeting recommends a return to ice protocol following concussion.
- Treasurers Report – **sent electronically**  
    Fee to participate in districts tournament \$925 per team
- AAHA Admin Report – **sent electronically**
- AZYHL Report – **sent electronically**  
    10U first and second medals plus banner  
    1<sup>st</sup> place banner for 12U and up  
    Perpetual trophy each division  
    David to send detailed breakdown of Coyotes Grant Fund
- **Background Screening / Safe Sport Report** –  
    Herb's brother passed – he is not in attendance
- By-Laws and Policy Report – **sent electronically**  
    Motion to approve change and clarification to 9.1 as written in report  
    Motion 1<sup>st</sup> – Jim Curly 2<sup>nd</sup> – Bruce Urban – passed unanimous
- Coaching Report – **sent electronically**
- Disciplinary Report – **sent electronically**  
    Meeting last week will be filed with next month's report
- Mite Committee Report – **sent electronically**
- Officiating Report – **sent electronically**  
    Tim requested that a AAHA director attend the AHOA board meeting for communication
- **Registrars Report** –  
    7359 members playing (paid and non- paid as of today's date)  
    Need Code of Conduct and Consent to Treat – must be the USA Hockey form if team attends National  
    Tournament. Accepted for the district but not national tournament. List of approved coaches from the  
    USA Hockey portal. All coaches on the roster have to be approved – if missing information – redlined.
- Social Media Report – **sent electronically**  
    Tim thanked Sharon for starting our social media and increasing our base. Sharon sent in resignation  
    and she and the new social media applicant will work together. Proposed that we continue to use the  
    ASU School as a resource for intern. Sharon would like little howler of the month nominations.  
    Motion to hire Sydney Blackman as new social media lead: 1<sup>st</sup> – Jim Curly - 2<sup>nd</sup> Bruce Urban – unanimous
- Tier I & Tier II Report – **sent electronically**  
    15U – CAHA State Championship  
    16U – CAHA State Championship  
    18U – CAHA State Championship
- 2017 National Championships Committee Report – **sent electronically**  
    Volunteer Dibs not complete yet on website – working on getting the system debugged
- Arizona Coyotes Report – **sent electronically**  
    Women's Night coming up – Player after the Jacob Chychrun

**Old Business**

- Commitment Letters
  - Language Clarification contained within the By-Laws and Policy Report
    - See motion under By-Laws and Policy Report
- Arizona Corporation Commission Certificate of Good Standing – All complete
- Officials proposed increase for 2017-2018 season
  - AHOA received the information for comparison late for presentation. Will address at their next board meeting.

## **New Business**

- Disbursement of National Tournament Profit – possibly determined by percentage of volunteer hours
  - Motion: 20% of any profits from the national tournament will go to the AAHA board for distribution as directed by the BOD. Remaining 80% will be distributed to each association proportionality per their volunteer hours worked.
  - 1<sup>st</sup> – Sean Whyte – 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Curly – unanimous
- Disbursement of association fines – possibly offset to PDC – possible scholarships for PDC
  - Move further discussion to next month.
- Approval of Tier I and Tier II Tryout dates per Tier Committees recommendation
  - Tier I tryouts to be held April 13 – April 16, 2017. The two Tier I Associations can have the same age division tryouts on the same day but not at the same scheduled time. The Associations will attempt to allow any player the opportunity to attend tryouts at both Associations in the same age division.
  - Tier II and all divisions not Tier - tryouts to be held April 28 – May 21, 2017.
  - Motion to approve the above Tier I and Tier II dates Kristy Aguirre – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sean Whyte – unanimous
- Purchase of New State Championship Trophy for 15 Only Division
  - Motion to approve 1<sup>st</sup> – Bruce Urban – 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Curly – unanimous
- VOHA Tier I application for 2017-2018 Season
  - Tier Committee recommends approval
  - Motion to approve 1<sup>st</sup> – Bruce Urban – 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Curly – unanimous
- Tier I – late application
  - 13.2.3 Tier I Team Authorization Procedure
    1. Prospective Tier I Associations shall complete and deliver the AAHA Tier I Application (see APPENDIX A) to the Tier Committee no later than January 15th of each year. Such Application shall comply fully with the requirements set forth in paragraph 13.2.3.3 below. No Tier I Association shall have authority to operate or otherwise participate in Tier I hockey in any capacity unless it has received authorization in writing from AAHA. The Tier Chairperson, with support from the Tier Committee, shall recommend to the AAHA Board of Directors the acceptance or denial of such application. The recommendation shall be in writing or via email. If the recommendation is for denial, all reasons shall be stated.
  - Tier I Penalties for not adhering to policy (required games)
    - 13.2.5 Competition among Tier I Associations and Teams
      1. Procedures: Each Tier I Association shall adhere to the following: If there is more than one (1) authorized Tier I team in any USA Hockey approved age division then each authorized Tier I Team shall play each other, in Arizona, a minimum number of times as determined by the Tier Committee (excluding any tournament games) at each appropriate age division each season. The Tier Committee shall announce the minimum number of games to be played in each age division for the upcoming playing season no later than August 1st of each year. Each Home team is responsible for the costs of the game, expect for an odd number of games, or a neutral game, in which both teams will be responsible to split the costs evenly.
      - \*See Appendix C: Tier I Competition Requirements, to obtain details regarding required games for current playing season.
    - 13.2.6 Penalties for Non-Compliance
 

Any AAHA Member Association Tier I team found to be in violation of any of the AAHA Tier I policies shall be subject to any or all of the following sanctions:

      1. Suspension of the Head Coach for the remainder of the current playing season in which the violation occurred AND for the following playing season.
      2. Disqualification of the violating team from participation in the Arizona State Championships, the Rocky Mountain District Tournament and USA Hockey's National Tournament.
      3. A monetary fine of no more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to be assessed to the Member Association that the violating team represents or is roster through. Amount to be determined by the AAHA Board of Directors.
  - CAHA – Scottsdale Tier I application for 2017-2018 Season
    - Tier Committee recommends approval with the following:

- Recommendation by Tier I committee is probation for one year due to incomplete / late application

Motion to approve CAHA Tier I application with one year probation for association. (violation of AAHA Tier I application policy for the following year will result in CAHA becoming a member NOT in good standing with AAHA)

1<sup>st</sup> – Bruce Urban – 2<sup>nd</sup> Marc Fritsche – Passed with Majority vote

- Recommendation by Tier I committee is a \$500 fine for noncompliance regarding required competition amongst Tier I Associations and Teams.

Motion - CAHA 13U to play CAHA 14U twice and VOSHA 14U twice prior to Feb 23 (extension granted and 2 games waived per age division) / Head coach of current CAHA Tier I 13U team, Steve Potvin, is placed on probation for the next year that he coaches / CAHA is fined \$5000.00 for failure to comply with the AAHA Tier I policy regarding competition per policy 13.2.6.

1<sup>st</sup> – Chad Hampton – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sarah Dennee – Passed with Majority vote

- AZYHL League Administration Proposal

Move further discussion to next month.

Motion to adjourn 8:52 pm

1<sup>st</sup> – Sean Whyte – 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Curly – unanimous