

Agenda – Monday, March 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: Meeting called to order by Mr Reckell at 1832
- Establish a quorum and identify any directors with proxies
 - Bruce = Sarah
 - Jim = Ken
 - Brian = Evan
 - Tony = Josh
- Introductions
 - Members Present
 - Jim Curley, Tony Radke, Marc Fritsche, Kristy Aguirre, Chad Hampton, Melissa Yubeta, Sherri Koshiol, Sean Whyte, Bruce Urban, Jim Rogers, Brian Gallagher, Tim Reckell
 - Guests Present
 - Chris Zorza, Larry Gibson, Zachary Reese, Herb Haley, Bryan Eiseraut, David Lieb, Isabelle Sinaid, Geoff Pashkowski, Mike O’Hearn
- Approval of the agenda
 - **Motion to Approve: Jim Curley Second by Bruce Urban**
- Approval of last month’s minutes
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 - **Sarah D** Needs to post old meeting minutes on AAHA Website
- Reports
 - President / VP Report –
 - As submitted
 - Congratulations to the Tier Championship and AZYHL Championship – thank you to those who have participated
 - Treasurers Report – sent out yesterday
 - New changes in Quickbooks so more changes coming to streamline the report
 - Pending invoices for Player Development Camp, AZYHL, Tier 1 championships
 - AAHA Admin Report – sent electronically
 - AZYHL Report – sent electronically
 - Background Screening / Safe Sport Report – Herb
 - The vendor used has a fee associated with how USA Hockey can validate names and numbers. Current process is that application gets submitted and Herb can review and make sure individual needs to be screened. Proposed process is that as application gets completed it automatically goes to the vendor for screening.

Once approved it automatically goes to USA Hockey and Registrar. Risk is increased cost for duplicate applications. Benefit is streamlined process. Drawback is people may be screened who do not need to be and increase cost to AAHA.

- Consider sending link to associations and they can forward it to necessary individuals for screening.
 - Consider association sending a list to Herb of all coaches, locker room monitors, etc and see who needs to be screened.
 - Currently all manual tracking so Herb would have to look at spreadsheet and database to make sure the screening was done.
 - Organizations to submit list to Herb of who would be the coaches for next year and can verify them over the fall. **Herb and Tim to create a process and get back to the Board next month.**
 - All Safesport / Background expires August 31. Consider submitting organizational list by June 15. Additional review of list in September.
- By-Laws and Policy Report – sent electronically
 - Coaching Report – sent electronically
 - As submitted
 - Dates are posted for coaching clinics but locations TBD
 - Registration opens after July 31
 - Level IV – site surveys coming to determine the location
 - August 11-13, 2017 in Arizona
 - Disciplinary Report – sent electronically
 - Mite Committee Report – Did not meet – No report
 - Officiating Report – USA Hockey – no report
 - AHOA – sent electronically
 - Chris Zorza – Evaluation Process
 - Created a formal process with teams of evaluators regionally
 - Evaluations to be completed electronically and kept in a database in an effort to improve performance
 - Search for a new secretary yielded excellent candidates
 - Selected Kristy Harris
 - Three other candidates well qualified and will be utilized in other roles
 - Janessa Simotti – Chair Committee on Scorekeepers
 - Parker Young – Chair Committee on Recruitment and Retention
 - Justin Lang – Aid with Training
 - Adam Mims created form for adult league officials and looking to expand to all rinks

- Coaches and Managers will be available to evaluate officials and submit to AHOA
 - Fees for 2017-18
 - U16-18 are on par with other organizations
 - 2 hr Game Rate dropped due to being higher than others
 - **Motion to approve the Proposed AHOA rates for 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20 (including scorekeepers) by Tony Radke and Seconded by Brian Gallagher. Motion carries 13-2**
- Registrars Report – No report submitted and Donnalee absent
- Social Media Report – Cindy not available and no report submitted
 - Please send detail regarding the event submitted to Tim, Sarah, Cindy
 - Get public involved and Social Media Chair will not be at as many events and look for public to submit
- Tier I & Tier II Report – Geoff
 - State Playdowns all completed
 - Congratulations to Jr Coyotes Program for 6 of 6 divisions
 - Congratulations to Tier 2 18U DYHA
 - Thank you to officials
 - USA Hockey has only credentials from two of teams and will need to submit
 - Needs photos of 14U Tier 1 and 16 U Tier 2
 - Rocky Mountain District Tournament
 - Scorekeepers to be added and paid for
 - Schedule online and will be played at Oceanside and AZ Ice – Gilbert
 - VOLUNTEERS Needed – all Board members expected to help out Friday – Sunday
- 2017 National Championships Committee Report – Geoff
 - Volunteers needed – all Board members are expected to help out
 - 6 Teams headed to nationals and ask them to volunteer instead of traveling for costs
- Player Development Camp
 - Boys 2003 and 2002 and Girls Player Development Camp was completed this last weekend. Second phase to be done in Gilbert in two weeks. Over 200 players signed up for the camp.
 - New officials were trained and overall was great

experience

- Arizona Coyotes Report – sent electronically
 - Player Pass to be on website so all players will receive discounted prices
 - Blue Line Buddy and players can stand on blue line with Coyotes during anthem
- Old Business
 - Officials proposed increase for 2017-2018 season
 - See Above
 - Disbursement of association fines – player development
 - Tabled for next meeting per Mr Reckell
 - **Board Members Submit thoughts to Tim on how to use the funds**
 - AZYHL League Administration Proposal
 - First question: Will the director be a paid position?
 - General discussion on paying the administrator
 - **Motion by Sherrie Koshiol to not pay AZYHL Administrator. Seconded by Brian Gallagher.**
 - Dave Lieb: “I have ran or co-ran the league for the last 5 years. Jr Coyotes had 13 teams and 1 volunteer for AZYHL Championship Tournament. Expect what you are going to pay for. Feel I deserve something for work I’ve done. If you’re not going to pay then you will need to find someone else to run the league. The average cost of hockey in Arizona is \$4,000 and concern for adding \$10-\$20 more to play in AZYHL is insane.”
 - Jim Rogers: AZYHL is a non-profit league for a non-profit organization. Suggest create a business plan and a for profit league. Encourage more volunteers. What reason are we doing this? For the kids.
 - **Call to question by Brian Gallagher**
 - **Motion Carries: 12 yeah 1 nay 1 opposed**
 - **Point of Order AZYHL Final Cost raised by Mr Urban. Mr Reckell directed Mr Urban to New Business**
- New Business
 - Confirm David Lieb as AZYHL At-Large non-voting representative
 - Walked out of meeting and withdrew himself from the position
 - AZYHL Championship final costs

- AZYHL budget was to allow \$800 for Chair of Tournament. There was a budget error and only 45 teams participated not 46 as budgeted.
 - Question is whether AAHA would cover the additional \$800 out of its general funds to cover the fees owed the Chair of the Tournament. Since Mr Lieb has left and returned all of the AZYHL trophies and banners the general discussion was to not reimburse Mr Lieb for the budgeting error out of AAHA general funds. However, there was concern that we do not have enough information and final budget with revenue and expenses to make an informed decision.
 - **Motion to Table by Bruce Urban and seconded by Sean Whyte. Motion Carries. Unanimous**
- Starpucks Hockey Club – see attached proposal
 - Goal is for the team to play in a tournament and looking to get approval from BOD and need to be recognized as an association by AAHA to do so.
 - Currently cannot play in a USA Hockey sanctioned event
 - They must contact Donnalee and get a number and register under that organization.
 - They are looking only to get sanctioned and get an organization number. Similar to what was done in Tuscon before AAHA
 - **Motion to assign Starpuck's Hockey Club a USA Hockey number to proceed as an association not as an AAHA Affiliate by Bruce Urban and seconded by Tony Radke. Motion Carries. Unanimous**
- CAHA Appeal
 - **Motion to go into Executive Session at 2019 by Bruce Urban and seconded by Jim Curley. Motion Carries. Unanimous.**
 - **Motion to come out of Executive Session at 2032 by Bruce Urban and Seconded by Jim Curley. Motion Carries. Unanimous**
 - **Motion to reduce the CAHA fine from \$5000 to \$2500 by Tony Radke and Seconded by Bruce Urban**
 - **Proposed friendly amendment by Bruce Urban. Motion to reduce CAHA fine to \$3750. Accepted by Tony Radke.**
 - Attorney reminded Board that this is a rules violation. CAHA is looking to mitigate the fine not arguing a rules violation in appeal.
 - **Motion carries 13 approve, 1 opposed (Evan) and 1**

abstained (Fristhce)

- **Motion is to accept the appeal by Bruce Urban and Seconded by Tony Radke. Motion carries 13 approve, 1 opposed (Evan) and 1 abstained (Fristhce)**
- **Motion to adjourn by Jim Curley and seconded by Bruce Urban. Motion Carries. Unanimous.**
- **Meeting Adjourned at 2039**

Future State AAHA Board Meetings at the Ice Den in the Warming Room

Monday, April 10, 2017

Monday, May 8, 2017

Arizona Dates 2017

Arizona Tier State Championships

*Tier I – completed

*Tier II State Playdowns

☐ Feb 27th – March 5th, 2017 – completed

Arizona Player Development Camp

Registration and information is available on the website.

☐ All Goalies – March 9th – completed

☐ Part 1 March 11th – 12th, 2017 Male and Female – completed

☐ Part 2 March 25th – 26th, 2017 Male

Rocky Mountain District Tournament – schedule is posted on the District Website

☐ March 17th – 19th, 2017

USA Hockey National 14U & 15U Tournament

☐ April 6th – 10th, 2017

Respectfully Submitted,



Brian M. Gallagher