

September 13 , 2021
AHAI Board of Directors |MINUTES

September 13 , 2021 /6:30pm | Zoom

Meeting called by *Bolger*

Type of meeting *Monthly BOD*

Note taker *Dunne*

Michel, Bolger, Lichterman, Crowley, Chudacoff, Dunne, Johnson, Clare, Cavallini, Smith, Cowsill, Weinberg, Camins, Gallagher, Zschach, Mullally, Svac, Surrette

Approved June 2021 minutes posted

Approve August 5 2021 Minutes

Motion: **Mullally**

2nd: **Surrette**

Approved

Treasures Report

Dunne/
Smith

- The AHAI Assigners account is added to the Monthly AHAI treasures report
- AHAI continues to monitor spending
- AHAI income from USAH registration is just below 20/21 at the same point in time.
- AHAI audit is in process
 - Advertising program is being revied for effectiveness
 - **how does the AHAI advertising fit into the new USAH data distribution issue/**
 - **AHAI still has some commitments from the 20/21 program**
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 - the following advertising program language was changed:
 - **mandatory disclaimer** online add says all funds will be dedicated to disabled disciplines. accountants say that needs to be changed to **All proceeds from AHAI's Advertising Program support Disabled, Youth, Girls and Adult Hockey Programs in Illinois(Dunne will do when authorized)**
 - Motion: **Cavallini**
 - 2nd: **Mullally**
 - Approved

- Merrill Lynch
 - recommendation is to shift the portfolio from 75% bonds 25% stocks to 65% bonds 35% stocks. In the current rate environment it is unlikely large amounts of fixed income will generate the returns we have seen for the past few years. We have averaged ~5%/year even having gone through 2018 and 2020 with a very low level of risk. In order to continue this we believe it is necessary to cut down on the amount of fixed income and add extra value positions or blue chip equities into the portfolio. This will allow for better returns and we feel will not add much to the risk profile for the account. We especially feel this is necessary given that inflation has picked up and may continue in the near term.

Motion: Smith

2nd: Michel

Approved

Registrar Report Johnson

- Tournament vendor application requirements are being reviewed
- Currant team registration is 600 teams. that is down from the team counts of 19/20
- Roster certification issues
- USAH is having data transfer issues.
 - AHAI is working on work arounds but most are roster are currently being certified manually

Electronic vote affirmations:

request for an electronic vote from the Tier 1 Chairman

"The AHAI Board would like to rescind rule 18.9.8 regarding signing the player card, for Tomas Holy, a 10 year old presently assigned to the Tier 1 Windy City Storm. He would like to go back to the Bulldogs, a Tier 2 CSDHL team. This would be a one time exception granted by the AHAI Board."

Tomas Holy is in good standing and Storm has agreed to release him

AHAI Rule Change protocol:

- Any potential rule amendments will be submitted to the AHAI Registrar for review.
- the review process is the Committee overseeing the amendment will provide input and a recommendation.
- The committee and AHAI registrar recommendation will be presented to the AHAI Board for final determination

CBH report: Camins

- CBH are still developing the Youth Hockey Program

Committee reports:

Reopening Committee:

- Monitoring changing health concerns and IDPH sprots guidance

- Committee will come up with recommendations for possible mitigation requirements

High School Committee: (Weinberg)

The HS Committee will make an exception for a home school issue I the Normal Illinois area.

Tier III (Apter)

- Meeting s 2nd Mondays of the month

Tier II (Chudacoff)

- There is committee meetings set for 9/18
- The Committee will discuss the management of the AHA 2 choice rule for the 2022/23 season.
- Tier II Subcommittee report: committee working toward January 2022 deadline for on ice league certification
- Tier II League Issue discussed and an agreement was reached with NIHL and CSDHL
- AHA Committee will start to review all current Tier II Organizations for information gathering purposes

Tier I Committee (Mullally)

- State tournament schedule finalized
- Committee is discussing all current tier I organizations playing each other

Player Development (Humann) No report

Girls:

- Girls choice committee had 11 application
- 10 approved
- The Committee will discuss the management of the AHA 2 choice rule and movement rule for the 2022/23 season

Presidents Council: (Zschach)

- Held meeting in Aug
- Meeting scheduled on 9/16

Grant Committee:

- Committee developed new application
- focus on Growth/ diversity and retention
- 6 organizations received one goal equipment

CEP (Clare)

- AHAI continues to host Coaching education programs virtually each month for Central District. Clare has run 10 of 12 clinics I the district

Disabled Committee: Dunne

- All disciplines are using separate Bank accounts for management of the dedicated funds through AHAI Treasurer

Officials: (Cowsell)

- IHOA is holding Officials virtual and in person seminars
- IHOA continues to work on bringing back officials who did not register last season
- current Officials are 900

State Tournament:

- Period/ p[penalty lengths. A proposal will be made for the AHAI state tournament penalty time and period time for the 21/22 season to utilized the currant USAH rules with no modifications

Communications:

- Jack Wood is the AHAI Social Media contact
- Gretchen Cockey resigned as AHAI Communication. Bolger thanked her for her work on advancing the AHAI information and accessibility for the AHAI membership
- AHAI will be seeking candidates for the Newsletter and Advertising position

AHAI Showcase Teams

*USAH Showcase Boy team **will Not compete** in the Blain Mn showcase in September*

New Business: *AHAI Attorney will review the AHAI Code Of Conduct for possible clarifications recommended by Clare and Smith*

Next Board meeting, October 4, 2021

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm