

Juneau Adult Hockey Association

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AGENDA

Purpose: JAHA 2022-2023 Board Meeting

Date: October 10, 2023

Location: Marine Exchange/Join Zoom Meeting

Topic: October JAHA Board Meeting Time: Oct 10, 2023 05:30 PM Alaska

Attendance: JAHA Board: Andrew Diamond, President; Matt Reece, Vice President; Ana Enge, Secretary; Chris Coutu, 40+ Tier Representative, Zane Chapman, A-Tier Representative; Amelia Hanrahan, B-Tier Representative; Jon Dale, C-Tier Representative; Nathan Ploof, D-Tier Representative; Katherine Cornelius, Women's Tier Representative; Aaron Surma, Member at Large, Michele Drummond, Member at Large, Thomas McKenzie, Member at Large

Guests: Christy Baseden, JAHA Member; Sarah Lowell, JAHA Member; Val Martinez, JAHA Member

Called by: Andrew Dimond

Start time: 5:30pm End time: 6:50pm

- 1. Call to Order (Dimond): 5:30pm
- 2. 40+ Game Issues, Oct 8th 6:30pm (Baseden):

<u>Incident Summary:</u> On Oct. 8th during a 40+ Game between The 303 Squadron and Shaw Dental, comments deemed threatening were made by Rich Morris on ice (in the penalty box), and off ice (in front of a locker room) towards Christy Baseden. The incident led to a formal complaint being submitted to the JAHA Board.

Incident Timeline:

A summary timeline was provided, which started earlier at warmups for the 4:00 PM Women's game when frustration surrounding the use of youth referees for women's games was expressed. Later, during warmups for the 6:30pm game, Morris and Baseden spoke on the matter, disagreed, but nothing seemed abnormal. During the game, it was perceived Morris targeted Baseden with a close slapshot. A few minutes later, Morris received a penalty and was overheard saying "I kinda want to run Christy over." followed by a short pause and then "Oh, I can make her stop. I can make her stop breathing." The game finished like normal but when Baseden left women's locker room #4, she found Morris discussing his frustrations with the 40+ Tier Rep. Morris and Baseden confronted each other, Morris called Baseden a derogatory name and then said they would "settle this on the ice." Later, a player who was in the other penalty box at the sametime as Morris shared what he said and this was confirmed after watching the Livebarn recording.

Discussion:

Attendees discussed the issue including: protocol - because the incident was not reported to refs during the game, JAHA has jurisdiction over how things should be handled; members emphasized not including Morris' involvement in JHO or JDIA in any decisions; attendees expressed fear being on the ice before disciplinary action is taken; and the difference between emotional outbursts on the ice and comments regarding players' safety. Baseden was asked what outcome would make her feel comfortable going forward and she shared her belief that suspension is a powerful tool for behavior change and that she has a history of resolving conflict and remaining on good terms with other members of the hockey community. She trusts JAHA to make the right decision and will feel confident once discipline has been carried out.

JAHA board members first voted unanimously to follow JAHA bylaws and convene a disciplinary committee consisting of Matt Reece, Chris Coutu, and volunteer John Dale. Next the board unanimously voted to suspend Morris until the disciplinary committee can meet and the board makes a final decision on Tuesday, October 17th @ 5:30PM. This will cause Morris to miss one game.

3. <u>Tier Updates:</u>

- a. A/B (Chapman/Hanrahan): Nothing significant to report.
- b. C (Dale): One spot available and teams are balanced; there was a miscommunication between a ref and player in one game but the issue has been resolved; and there is a need to to discuss how to minimize the disparity in playing levels across the tier. Many D players moved up this season.

- c. D (Ploof): one injury but rosters are still full. Only two teams but would like to have three.
- d. 40+ (Coutu): Three goal cap has been well received.
- e. Women's (Cornelius): Attendees thanked JAHA for the balanced teams in Women's Tier and shared this season has been fun.
- 4. <u>Tuesday-Thursday Game Times (McKenzie):</u> JAHA previously agreed to a fifteen minute later start time Monday-Thursday and are not willing to push back to 9:30pm/10:45pm start times. Diamond will communicate this.
- 5. <u>Treadwell Locker Room Keys (Surma)</u>: JAHA members may check out a key and enter their team's locker room 45 minutes prior to their game. The key must be returned after. Andrew will reach out to Lauren to request verbiage clarifying the locker room key rules.
- 6. Youth Referees (McKenzie): Youth referees have been approved for JAHA games. These refs will be paired with a senior ref to ensure mentorship. The board agrees youth refs should be assigned to games of their level not Women's and D-Tier specifically. Dimond will invite Matt McGuan to next month's meeting for further discussion.
- 7. <u>Committee Updates for Tournaments:</u> Rink scheduling meeting in October Diamond will let the board know about rink availability after.
 - a. Women's Jamboree: 75 skaters and 4 goalies have enough players for four teams so may need men to goalie.
 - Winter Jamboree Registration will be opened by the end of October for Jamboree and the Spring Season.
 - c. Rainforest Three teams outside Juneau interested in attending. Just waiting to hear ice time availability.
 - d. Hogs n Hops: Just waiting to find out ice availability.
- 8. Administrative Topics (Enge):
 - Board voted to procure a JAHA Livebarn subscription; going forward, google meetings and transcription will be used; and all JAHA documents will be migrated into JAHA Google Drive for central access. Enge will ensure all members have access.
- 9. Next Meeting (Enge): Tuesday, November 14th @ 5:30pm; Tuesday, October 17th @ 5:30pm for Morris' disciplinary meeting.
- 10. Adjourn (Dimond): 6:50pm