

UAHA Regular Meeting Agenda

Date: February12th, 2024
Location: Maverick Ice Arena Conference Room
Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81644973453

1-669-900-6833 Meeting ID: 8644973453

Regular Session: 7:00pm

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Approval of January Meeting Minutes Addendum A
- 3. Tier 1 Team Application Procedure Addendum B
- 4. Section Reports
 - a. High School VP, Dana Combs
 - b. Girls VP, Courtney Miller
 - c. Adult VP- Tanner Engles
 - d. Youth VP (House/Rec) Foster Watabe
 - e. Travel VP (Tier), Tim Odell
 - f. CIC/ADM, Michael Strahan
 - g. Goaltending Development Coordinator, Reid Jacobsen
 - h. Safesport, Wendy Radke
 - i. Safety Director, Alex Valez
 - j. Growth Coordinator, Shannon Bennett
 - k. Web Master, Brian Murray
 - I. Registrar, Robyn Eyre Long
 - m. Discipline, Robyn Eyre Long
 - n. Treasurer, Adam Bailey
 - o. Secretary, Ryan Chaffin
 - p. Exec, VP, Chuck Dorvall
 - q. Past President, Derrick Radke
 - r. President, Ryan Bonham
- 5. Next Meeting, February 5th
- 6. Adjourn Meeting



UAHA Regular Meeting Minutes

Date: January 8th, 2024 Location: Maverick Ice Arena Conference Room

Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81189787352
Phone: 1-669-900-6833 Meeting ID: 81189787352

Regular Session: 7:00pm

1. Roll Call:

Ryan Bonham (President), Tanner Ingalls (VP Adult), Tim Odell (VP Travel), Foster Watabe (VP Youth), Chuck Dorval (Executive VP), Robyn Eyre-Long (VP Discipline), Ryan Chaffin (Secretary), Adam Bailey (Treasurer), Shannon Bennett (VP Growth), Dana Combs (VP High School), Kathleen Smith, Wendy Radke, Erin Drexell (Jr Grizz), Kristin (Lady Grizz, Jr Mustangs, High School), Adam Smith (Provo), Josh Anderson (Oval), Keven (Logan), Mariko Rollins (Ogden), Jeff Kite, Jeff T (PC), Robert Cowden (Renegades), Byron Sessions, Matt Prucka, Nicki Jones (PC), Jacob Hickman (Provo), Sheamus (Ogden), Tamara Terrill (Oval).

2. Approval of November (Revised) and December Meeting Minutes (Addendum A):

- a. Present and Absent need to be noted with full names and board positions and updated.
- b. Moved to approve with amended names by Chuck. Seconded by Foster. Approved unanimously.

3. Tier Team Application Procedure (Addendum B):

a. Tim caught everyone up that this stemmed from our prior meeting. Tier committee discussed this at their Dec 21st meeting. Let Tier programs know an approval committee will be reviewing applications and that the member agreement form will be needed. Tim put together an outline and proposal that provided a timeline for the Tier organizations. Tim is proposing that both the member organization and UAHA execute the membership agreements prior to the tryouts. A recommendation was provided to amend the proposal to add verbiage along the lines of "if applicable" in regard to the membership agreement in the event that a membership agreement is not approved by April 1st. Tim is okay with this proposal. Item C will add "by April 1st, if applicable" to the end. Tim makes a motion to approve with amendments discussed. Tanner seconds. Approved unanimously.

4. Organization Application Form Finalization

a. Membership Agreement

Ryan B. addressed a question from Park City as to why are we doing this? Our P&Ps note that one must be signed, however, we did not have one on file. Ryan B. reached out to Kathleen for guidance. She provided New Mexico's membership agreement. Ryan B. simply changed the association name from New Mexico to Utah (UAHA) to use this as a starting point. The feedback he has received is concerns around the "Financial Reports and Governance Documents (Article 3.3). Mariko proposed moving this to the membership committee and letting them work through it with third-party legal advice. Tim proposes asking the member organizations to specifically outline which provisions they have issues with. The goal is to have the same agreement with every organization. Tim proposes moving this to the membership committee and having the organizations send their concerns with the membership agreement to the membership committee. Kathleen noted that UAHA is out of compliance with USA Hockey by not having this. A core missing piece in UAHA's P&Ps that is included in the proposed membership agreement is Article 2. Ryan B. proposed an extended deadline for member organizations to provide feedback. Tim proposed February 16th as the deadline.

b. Updated Existing Membership Application Form

Ryan B. updated the form for the 2024-2025 Season. For the High School Teams section will change "D1" and "D2" to "pure", "combined" or "girls". It was noted that high school girls can play on two nationally bound high school teams but would have to declare which of the two teams they would want to play for if both went to nationals. Question is raised if the existing organization applications should go straight to the membership committee? Tim proposed that Tier applications go to him, and other applications go to Foster. Motioned by Chuck to approve. Seconded by Tim. Approved unanimously.

5. Travel Teams for 2024-2025

Foster added this agenda item after speaking with youth organizations. Some organizations are confused or hesitant going from "D1" and "D2" to just "Travel B". Some organizations raised concerns about how they distinguish the "Travel B" teams. It's up to the orgs to decide. Ryan B. shared the example of how the Grizz use "Select 1" and "Select 2" when they have two teams at the same level. If kids look to join after December 15th, they will join a house team within their program. The current Travel A and Travel B setup as approved by the board puts the power in the hands of the member organizations to decide what their teams do.

6. Section Reports:

- a. High School VP, Dana Combs: In December they held the second annual Lady's All-Star game.
- b. Girls VP, Courtney Miller: Not present.
- c. Adult/Disabled VP- Tanner Engles: Made it out on the ice with a disabled group and got to interact with the players.
- d. Youth VP (House/Rec) Foster Watabe: Orgs please send your rosters and WRHL tournament registrations are open. UTHL is going well (via Josh).
- e. Travel VP (Tier), Tim Odell: Next Tier meeting is January 24th. Reminder to submit games. Will use MyHockey Rankings to create the seedings for the tournament. Keeping registration fees, the same as last year for camp. Not ordering socks. Flyer is done and will be sent out to post.
- f. CIC/ADM, Michael Strahan: Not present.
- g. Goaltending Development Coordinator, Reid Jacobsen: Not present.
- h. Safesport, Wendy Radke: Reports mainly being handled by the center. Pretty quiet.

- i. Safety Director, Alex Valez: Not present.
- j. Growth Coordinator, Shannon Bennett: Not present.
- k. Web Master, Brian Murray: Not present.
- I. Registrar, Robyn Eyre Long: New Incident Reporting Form was sent out, please distribute it. Starting to collect National Bound books. In regard to coaches, redlining will begin January 10th for missed CEPs. At this moment, we have roughly 30 coaches that will be redlined. We currently have 1,869 youth, 857 high school putting us up 160 players. Adults are 940, up 149 players from last year.
- m. Discipline, Robyn Eyre Long: It's been busy. In December there were 6 match penalties and 4 hearings. All were 3-5 game suspensions and one year suspension. Two disputes have been closed; another will be closed soon. Watch your major penalties. We are seeing a lot of 601e3's (language). Keep it clean.
- n. Treasurer, Adam Bailey: Nothing to report.
- o. Secretary, Ryan Chaffin: Thank you Kathleen for the roll call feedback. Please share any additional feedback.
- p. Exec, VP, Chuck Dorval: Attending winter meeting in place of Ryan B.
- q. Past President, Derrick Radke: Not present.
- r. President, Ryan Bonham: Nothing to report.
- 7. Next Meeting, February 5th
- 8. Adjourn Meeting



PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM SUBMISSION FORM

NAME OF PERSON SUBMITTING AGENDA ITEM: Tim Odell

PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM: Tier 1 2024-2025 Season Approval

DATE PROPOSAL SUBMITTED:

MEETING MONTH AND YEAR: February 12th, 2024

<u>DESCRIBE PROPOSAL</u>: The Wasatch Renegades have applied for Tier I teams for the upcoming 2024-2025 Season. The application and supporting documentation was submitted by the Wasatch Renegads in accordance with the timeframes set forth in the UAHA Policies and Procedures.

The membership application as supporting documentation was submitted to the memberhip committee for review and discussion. There were no objections from the membship committee in regards to forwarding the application to the UAHA Board of Directors for Discussion and Approval.

REQUEST ACTION:

The Vice President of Tier requests approval of the Wasatch Renegades Proposed Tier I Teams for the upcoming 2024-2025 Season.



EXISTING ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION for the 2024-2025 Season

Submit to: Utah Amateur Hockey Association, Attention
Tier Teams - UAHA VP of Travel, Tim Odell TimOdell@amesco.com
House/Rec Teams - UAHA VP of Youth, Foster Watabe fwatabe@provo.org
Copy to: UAHA President, Ryan Bonham president@utah-hockey.com

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DBA (Nickname) OF ENTITY:		
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TYPE OF INCORPORATION:		
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WC Renegades-D.B.A. Wasatch Renegades

1225 S Major St. Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

UAHA Membership Application

2024/2025 season

Ice to service

- We have built great relationships with the following Ice rinks this year and will
 continue to work with those rinks for the 2024/2025 season. We have been able to
 schedule a minimum of 3 practices or more a week per team.
 - 1a. Steiner (home rink)
 - 1b. Maverik Center
 - 1c. The Olympic Oval
 - 1d. Acord Ice
 - 1e. County Ice

All teams will be named; Wasatch Renegades

Struggles/Growth/Sustainability

This year the Wasatch Renegades made major changes to its program. We truly understood that we needed to make changes that everyone could see and benefit from immediately.

Our first goal was to recruit top level coaches who have a proven track record in the coaching department. Were able to secure 2 head coaches with a combined 60 yrs of experience as well as 7 assistant coaches including two goalie instructors to work specifically with our 6 goalies.

Our second goal was to build a professional training facility for our players, a home and a presence within the community. We leased a 7,000 sq ft building that has all of the necessary equipment as well as turf, synthetic ice, video review room and a recovery area for the players. Our players receive dryland training from professional trainers on a weekly basis.

Our third goal was to partner with Headstrong for the purposes of helping our players become more mentally strong. All three teams work with Stephanie Moran 2 times a month in a group setting, she also has worked with parents in order to help them better understand their role in helping their player become a stronger person, teammate and player.

Our final goal was to schedule games with teams who would offer us tough games, demanding us to play a better style and more competitive game. We can say with certainty that we have accomplished just that. We have top level teams reaching out for games. We also have teams that are willing to come to Utah this next season knowing that they will receive the competition they desire.

Our success this year has been outstanding, we feel as if our players have developed not only as players but more importantly as team players with a better understanding for how to play the game the correct way.

For growth and sustainability, with the drastic changes we have made we are receiving an overwhelming positive response from those involved and those who are interested in becoming a Renegade again or for the first time. We plan on growing our staff even bigger next year with an additional head coach. We believe we have reached the growth that will require a head coach and staff for every team. Our head coaches this year have done an amazing job handing 3 teams, however it is time for more staff once again.

As we set new goals for next year, we feel that continuing to develop quality Tier 1 players is at the top of our priorities.

Thank you for taking the time to better understand our organization and the path we are on and the path we are seeking.

Warm Regards,

Robert Cowden/President/Registrar

Ryan Newton/Vice President

Lee Smith/Director of Hockey Operations/Board Member

Destony Hanna/Secretary

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UAHA Membership Application

2024/2025 season

Struggles/Growth/Sustainability

It is my honor as the Director of Hockey for the Wasatch Renegades Tier 1 Hockey
Organization to share my assessment of the season to date. My background in hockey
comes from being the Varsity Head Hockey Coach of Eden Prairie High School in
Minnesota. During my 29 year tenure, I was able to build a program that had several NHL,
college and junior hockey players. I feel that Utah has the same opportunities if the
adults start pulling the train the same way and if all organizations work together.

My first year working with the Renegades was mostly positive, but did have some struggles I didn't foresee. The first issue in this state is providing players with a positive ice schedule. With selecting the best players in the state, they travel from a lot of different areas. We had many late nights for them to travel home and then attend school the next morning. Next, Utah is in a geographically tough area to find quality Tier 1 competition near us and other teams don't want to travel here yet. We seemed to earn respect and I hope we can get some home games next year. It is sad that the Tier 2 14U teams won't play our 13Only team. It would have benefitted both organizations. Furthermore, the amount of effort required to keep our players in the state is taxing, but worth every second spent to make our teams competitive.

My first year with the Renegades was filled with positive growth. We went from having two teams last year to three this season. We also tripled the amount of players that tried out for the Tier 1 program. We were able to fill full rosters at each level. Next, we added some exceptional coaches. We went from a Renegades staff of two coaches to a staff of seven. This has helped us provide the players quality coaching at each practice session.

We also added a training facility. This facility has given us a home. In this home, we are able to do video review, dryland training, meet with players and work on their hockey skills. It has been a huge success. We have provided our players an aggressive and challenging schedule. We are playing very established programs. This has been exciting to watch us battle in these difficult games. The combination of all the items listed above will help the current and future players develop their skills at home in Utah.

My belief is the future of the Renegades is headed in a positive trajectory. We have a proven style of play for our players to learn and grow from. We also have a committed coaching staff that mainly comes from Minnesota. We understand and communicate what players need. Our desires are to have three teams next year. We would love to add a lady's team in the future. We are building relationships throughout the country to provide our players exposure to help their hockey careers. Utah has the ability to produce elite players with the support of all organizations. We have tremendous athletes that need to be trained to be hockey players. This is a challenging task, but we are up for creating dreams for Utah players.

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