

Alaska State Hockey Association Meeting  
August 24, 2019

Members present: Justin Marcum, Merit Waldrop, Jason Dinneen, Theresa Austin, Scott Sivulich, Annetta Powell, David Cacciolfi, Brandon Harker, Kerry Hafele, Teala Lund, Jen Hunter (alt.), Joey Merrick, Deanna Anderson (alt.), Jackie Graeber, Lisa Silance (alt.), Mike Moeglein.

Members present electronically: Angelina Grant (alt.), Jason Beach (alt.).

Members excused: Jaime Matthews, Jack Tragis, Keith Morris.

Officers present: Kevin Fitzgerald, Kirk Payne, Lacey Smith, Carol Hammingh, Darryl Thompson, Jim Newhouse, Nikki Garcia.

Officers excused: Wayne Sawchuk.

The meeting was called to order by Darryl Thompson, President.

Seating of Board Members: None.

- Introductions were made of everyone present.
- The agenda was approved as presented.
- The minutes from the previous meeting were approved as presented.
- The key for the PO box will be retrieved from Brenda Luthi to check for correspondence to ASHA. News from USA Hockey is sent to members via email.

Persons to be heard: None.

President's Report:

- SafeSport discipline; there is hypervigilance regarding SafeSport. Reports are going directly to USA Hockey and then being sent to the local affiliates.
- Scheduling questions, ideas, and input can be sent directly to Kevin Fitzgerald, VP Comp Council.

Finance: Jim Newhouse went over the financial statements with the board.

VP Tournaments: Carol Hammingh read and made a motion to approve the state tournament schedules, it was seconded by Dave Cacciolfi. Motion passed. The schedules will be sent via email.

VP Comp Council:

- Kevin Fitzgerald reported that scheduling was completed. Tier I 14, 15, and 18's were invited the scheduling meeting to get them some in-state competition. All Tier I teams are planning to go outside for tournaments.
- Justin Marcum reported on the trips already planned.

- Darryl spoke about ASAA, the high sports administrative agent program, modifying their dual participation restrictions; freshman can dual participate all year long, sophomores, juniors, and seniors can play games up until the first high school game.

VP House Council:

- House scheduling will be held on October 5<sup>th</sup> after the ASHA board meeting.
- The House Council voted in support to bring back checking Tier III but will be tabled for now. They will continue to discuss and be prepared for the next April meeting.
- The House Council weighed in on the girl's dual participation five player limitation. It originally passed with full support, then it was tabled. The Girl's Council called into one of their meetings and after discussion, it passed by two votes.

VP Girls/Women Council: Language was passed regarding girl's tournament and league at the last meeting.

VP Adult Council: No report.

VP Player Development:

- Report to be emailed.
- Lisa Silance reminded everyone about the 10U half ice grants that are available for tournaments. Applications are due Sept. 15 for majors and minors and house is due Oct. 15.

Discipline Committee: No report.

Associate Risk Manager: No report.

Registrar Report:

- Anna Culley asked that travel permits are submitted as soon as possible as they take time to process.
- Travel permits for non-USA Hockey events cannot be signed off by Anna. Guidelines need to be followed by teams that attend non-USA Hockey events. Players are not covered by USA Hockey insurance and parents of players need to be informed and the teams should look into purchasing additional insurance to cover the players.
- Travel permits for non-USA Hockey events still need to be submitted for tracking purposes.
- Coaches need to complete certifications before they get on the ice.
- Association that have not turned in their SafeSport affiliate agreements must turn them in ASAP.
- Electronic scoresheets only, instead of paper, are being requested at the end of the tournaments, grouped by age.

Referee-in-Chief:

- Speaking for Eric Simmons, Scott Sivulich reported that seminars are set up and dates are available on the official's website.
- Registration is underway and they are trying to recruit. There are a lot of opportunities for younger referees to learn from the half ice games and jamborees.

Coach-in-Chief: No report.

Jr. Hockey: No report.

SafeSport Coordinator: No report.

Alaska ADM Coordinator: Speaking for Rick Trupp as well, Kirk Kullberg attended the High Performance Coaching program. The content of the education program is not changing but the delivery is changing significantly. Clinic information can be found on the ASHA or USA Hockey website.

Goal Tender Coordinator: No report.

Old Business:

- Board member information from all associations for the handbooks must be turned in to Lisa McPheters ASAP.
- Ice Allocation policy meeting update.
- The Girl's dual participation tabled vote was discussed and the motion passed. (*Page 46, 2.4 National Tournament Bound Players (2nd Paragraph) "A female player...for State Tournament play." Add the following: "A House/Recreational team may have up to five dual rostered females on a 1T."*)

New Business: Long Range Planning: A motion was made and seconded to invoke outside professional help for long term planning and governance structuring for the board. Motion passed. Darryl will get quotes from suggested firms and bring the information to the board.

Board Member Comments:

- Mike Moeglein requested advice and help to get his association to comply with SafeSport. A teleconference can be set up with ASHA board members for their Sept. 17 board meeting to discuss the SafeSport program and guidelines.
- One 16U team left early and did not schedule. They will get them on the phone to resolve.

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be on Saturday, October 5, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm at Megan's Room, 6591 A St. 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Anchorage.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nikki Garcia, ASHA Secretary