

## IDAHO AMATEUR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

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Idaho Falls\*Sun Valley\*Salmon\*McCall\*Moscow\*Coeur d'Alene\*Boise Amateur\*Boise Youth

### ANNUAL MEETING NOTES

May 17, 2008

Boise, Idaho

**Call to Order and Attendance:** The meeting was called to order by Tom Power at 8:30 a.m. Those in attendance included: **Tom Power**, (President IAHA), **Dean Brandstetter**, (Vice President IAHA), **Tom Lampl** (Associate Registrar, USA Hockey, Idaho Coaching Education Director), **Wally Morgus** (IAHA Treasurer), **Bobby Noyes** (Supervisor of Officials), **Brad Andrews** (IAHA Risk Manager), **Steve Walsh** (Idaho ACE Coordinator), **George Cole** (IAHA Webmaster), **Bev Hott**, (IFYHA), **Kathy Vernon** (IFYHA), **Bill Mason** (SVYH), **Bob Crosby** (SVYH), **Rich Evans** (SVYH), **Mike Hanley** (SVYH), **Jeremy Mylymok** (BAHA, Idaho Ice World), **Mike Chanley** (BAHA, Idaho Ice World), **Earl Kilian**, (BAHA, Idaho Ice World), **Darlene Mylymok**, (BYANA), **Dave Costello** (BYANA), **Shelley Mattson** (Salmon Hockey Association), **Nicki Bowden** (Secretary IAHA).

(Names and addresses are included with minutes as Attachment 1.)

**Minutes of September 2007 Meeting:** All members previously received copies of the September 2007 meeting minutes for review. *Earl Kilian made a motion to approve the minutes.* Second by Bev Hott. No discussion. **Motion carried.** (Minutes included as Attachment 2.)

#### Association Reports:

**Bev Hott (IFYHA):** Bev reported that Idaho Falls had 372 skaters last season. It was her first year as President of IFYHA all went well with the season. They had a new insulated roof installed in their facility and are working to insulate the one of the walls.

**Shelley Mattson (Salmon):** Shelley reported that they had to repair their refrigeration and earned \$20,000 to make those repairs. They had 120 skaters in their program last season and hosted a 13 team tournament. They are still working on a roof. Five of their players went to Development camp. Last year they had 7 girls and this year they were up to 14. They gave scholarships to 90% with their grant money and should have a U-14 team next season.

**Jeremy Mylymok (BYHA):** Jeremy reported that the Mighty Mite program is doing well. They had 10 High School Varsity teams. They also have adult A, B, C and Advanced Women's teams. Meridian High School won the State HS Tournament and took second place in the District Tournament. He also reported that two players moved on to National Camp from the Rocky Mountain District Camp. A goalie from Boise and a '93 Defender from Northern Idaho. The Defender from Northern Idaho was also chosen 4<sup>th</sup> in the WNHL Bantam Draft.

**Earl Kilian (BYHA):** Earl reported that the girls Rocky Mountain Tournament went really well. He wanted to thank Kathy Vernon for all her work. She worked day and night and it went very well. They had 15 tams attend thanks to Kathy. He also reported that Idaho Ice World is looking to go "green". They are switching out lights now. Their projects will cost about \$35,000. Idaho Power gave them a kick back of about \$14,000. The lights are done on the main rink now. They will be doing summer maintenance on the Pepsi rink and also are getting a new Zamboni

**Darlene Mylymok (BYANA):** Darlene reported that the Jr. Steelheads had 110 players and seven teams this year. The hosted the state tournament and it went really well. They are offering a summer program June 7<sup>th</sup> they will have evaluations and then on August 9<sup>th</sup> they will have team placements. They have some new coaches and most are ex-professional players. They are

trying to have three midget teams next year, U-19A, U-18 AA and U-16 AA. They are just concentrating on growing their program.

**Mike Hanley (Sun Valley):** Mike reported that they had 119 skaters this year. Their mini mites are coming together very well. They had a lot of new girls join the program this season. The YMCA in Hailey is trying to get another rink going but nothing has happened yet. They would like to see using the grants to help pay for coaching education in the future.

**Presidents Report:** Tom Power reported that the season went well throughout the state and we had very few disciplinary issues that had to be dealt with. He attended the winter meeting in Orlando. They are now having monthly District conference calls to keep everyone on board. They are also having an Affiliate Presidents conference call and about 1/3 of the Presidents were able to attend the last call. Growing the Game and Coaching Education are hot topics right now. The next rule change year is 2009 and the hot issue for that right now is tag up off sides.

**Treasurer's Report:** Wally Morgus discussed the Treasurer's Report, reviewing that we pay \$1.50 for background checks and it is a National Search through Intel Corp. *Bob Crosby made a motion to approve the fiscal year 2008 financial statements through 04.30.08 with a final review and approval of year-end statements (06.30.08) at the September 2008 IAHA Board Meeting.*

Motion was seconded by Kathy Vernon. No Discussion. **Motion Carried.**

*Rich Evans made a motion to approve the payments made to the local association under the IAHA 2007-2008 Matching Grant Program.* Motion was seconded by Bob Crosby. No Discussion.

**Motion Carried.**

*Rich Evans made a motion to set a deadline of June 15, 2008 for applying for the 2007-2008 IAHA Matching Grant as McCall and Ice World have not yet applied.* Motion Seconded by Mike Chanley. No Discussion. **Motion Carried.**

Wally Morgus reviewed with the board the short fall in the Player Development Camp account (camp was short \$1,630.37 from covering its own costs.) *Bev Hott made a motion to retire the loan from the operating account that was used to pay the shortfall in the 2008 IAHA Player Development Camp and End of Season Team account.* Motion was seconded by Shelley Mattson. No Discussion. **Motion Carried.**

*Kathy Vernon made a motion to accept the IAHA 2008-2009 Budget as amended to add travel expenses of \$900 per district meeting to cover the Registrar's travel expenses.* Motion was seconded by Shelley Mattson. No Discussion. **Motion Carried.**

*Bev Hott made a motion to allocate \$2,000 in matching funds to be used by associations to grow the game.* Motion was seconded by Earl Kilian. No Discussion. **Motion Carried.**

If you have suggestions on how the grant funds should be used please e-mail information to Bill Mason at [bminfo2@cox.net](mailto:bminfo2@cox.net). Tom Lampl suggests loaner equipment; try the game, advertising the program hitting everyone between 4 and 10, community meetings, etc.

**Registrar's Report:** Tom Lampl reported that numbers are pretty flat in the state. There was growth in the adult ranks but youth numbers were flat. Also reported that 98% of all USA Hockey registrations in the state were done on-line..

**Coaching Education Report:** If you have clinic dates get them to Tom Lampl ASAP. The sooner the better to get dates to Tom. If we could begin having clinics the end of August that would be great. Also we need more trainers so if you have someone who will do instruction and will be willing to occasionally travel let Tom know.

**End of Season Teams:** Tom Lampl reported that end of season teams are a great concept. The biggest benefit is getting kids and parents from all over the state to work together. The problem is that since Montana and Wyoming went to the Great Plains District, Wyoming no longer wants to participate. We need someone to help Mike Lehto set up venues. Tom Power has approached Washington and Oregon and it will really work better to have 2 weekends before the district camp. Dean Brandstetter and Kathy Vernon volunteered to do work on getting these venues. Rich Evans and Tom Lampl will put together a document regarding what you need to have, do, etc. if you are hosting these tournaments. Tom Lampl will also put together a document with the history of the camp, etc..

**ACE Coordinator:** Steve Walsh reported that thus far the job has been frustrating. He feels we did better this year but have far to go. Steve passed around a sheet for each association to list their ACE Coordinator. Also reported that Tom Lampl talked to the district ACE Coordinator and they would like to have a meeting for all ACE Coordinators for Idaho and Utah. This meeting would work well if coordinated with the September IAHA Board Meeting in Idaho Falls as that is a central location. *Bev Hott made a motion to allocate \$5,000 for funding of the Idaho ACE Summit monies will pay for Mileage and motel for each association to send their ACE Coordinator. This meeting will be held concurrent with the IAHA Meeting in September 2008.* Motion was seconded by Shelley Mattson. No Discussion. **Motion Carried.**

**Girls Section Report:** Kathy Vernon reported that they had the girls District Tournament in Boise. They split the teams and were able to field 2 teams in each division. She found that communication at higher levels was the most difficult thing. The tournament went really well. She feels everyone in the state is providing a great deal of time to the girls division. She stated we need a really good girls camp this summer and Mike is working on putting that together. The Idaho Falls girls program is really strong. She has purchased idahogirlshockey.com and idahowomanshockey.com and George Cole is helping her with web pages. She also feels that Idaho Falls may be able to put together a girls high school team.

**Referee/Officiating:** Bobby Noyes reported. Official numbers were up from 171 to 194 this year. Most of the growth is in the first level officials. We did lose a few higher level officials. The Girls RMD Tournament was great. Five of the 14 officials were female, 3 were from Idaho and one Level 4 was from Colorado. They had 10 officials from across the state at the High School Tournament. The State Tournament in Boise had 20 officials, 1 female. At the SLC District Development came we had 5 officials there one was a female from Idaho. This tournament is a great way to develop officials. We had one match penalty from an adult player from Sun Valley. He received a 30 day suspension.

**Risk Management:** Brad Andrews reported that he hadn't had a chance to look at 1 year vs. 3 year screening yet. He will improve the list on the web site. They screened 208 this year. Next season he will e-mail everyone to start the screening process. He had 39 late screenings this year. He also wanted to point out that a Social Security Number is required for screening, if this information is not on the form the individual will not be screened. Make sure everyone puts the name of the association on the screening form and make sure your coaches are screened. There was a discussion regarding why we were doing late screenings and not charging the associations the \$100 fee. *Bev Hott made a motion that Tom Power send a letter to associations asking them to explain why people were screened late and if the reason is not acceptable they may be charged \$100 per offence. We will revisit in September.* Motion was seconded by Shelley Mattson. No Discussion. **Motion Carried.**

**Webmaster:** George Cole reported that keeping the scoring updated during the State Tournaments may get harder after next season as his son will graduate and he will no longer be at the tournament. He pointed out that this is our website and we need to let him know what we want. He suggests that maybe our ACE Program could benefit from having a platform there.

**New Business:**

Bev Hott brought up the use of Blue Pucks. She wanted to know if we could use the Black Pucks for travel games. There was much discussion regarding how and why the rule was put into place. The rule will stay in place. Tom Lampl will re-send the memo regarding the use of Blue Pucks.

An attempt was made to review and revise By Laws and Policy and Procedures however, we did not have the necessary attendance to do so. Several member associations have not been attending the meetings, which makes updating and changing these documents impossible. Therefore, Tom Power will send letters to these associations and let them know that they need to participate in order to remain in good standing. We will look at By Laws and P& P again in September.

Bev Hott also brought up that the Winter Games of Idaho need to have a lot more participation not just players from Idaho Falls (Squirt through Midget Hockey Divisions). Britt stated there would not be a conflict with ice time this year so they should be able to have more participation.

Dave Costello would like to see the forming of an A & B League for Idaho. He would like associations to black out weekends to have our Idaho teams play each other on certain weekends sort of like the old IHL. Tom Lampl will contact Jackson, Ogden, Salt Lake, Provo and Logan to gauge interest. Then he will get with Rich, Bev and Shelley and they will have a conference call to discuss the status of this league.

Kathy Vernon brought up the need to have a development camp for girls one weekend where none of the girls teams were traveling so they could all participate.

Bobby Noyes brought forward the Use of Technology for Discipline Reviews. He stated we had a match penalty and it was upheld by McMahon. He thinks it would be good if we could use a conference call to have the disciplinary committee be able to meet. These are rare (assaults on officials) and we should always meet to have a hearing. A letter was sent out that there would not be a meeting because of road conditions, etc. He stated that USA Hockey mandates that IAHA must step in and hand down discipline. Much discussion followed. It was decided that in the future we will make every effort by use of technology or other means to always have a hearing on these matters.

Bev Hott brought up state referee guidelines. She stated that we need to follow the guidelines so that refs do not ref their own teams at the State Tournament. Bobby indicated that we always try to accommodate that as long as there are enough refs and they are of the appropriate qualification level.

Jeremy Mylymok brought up barriers that prevent growing the game. He stated that maybe we should look into some type of rule that said if 70% of your team is not from your town then maybe you don't go to state. Example was that McCall using Boise players doesn't grow the game in their area.

Tom Power brought forth a budget proposal that we reimburse George Cole for attending the State meeting as our Affiliate Webmaster. *Bev Hott made a motion that we reimburse George hotel and mileage for attending state meetings.* Motion was seconded by Earl Kilian. No Discussion. **Motion Carried.**

Tom Power brought forth the idea of requiring a deposit for the State Tournament. For the past two years we have had teams pull out at the last minute causing a great deal of trouble in re-scheduling, etc. *Bev Hott made a motion that teams put down a deposit of \$500 for attendance at IAHA State and High School State Tournaments by December 31, and that we lower the District Tournament deposit from \$1,800 to \$1,500.* Motion was seconded by Jeremy Mylymok. No Discussion. **Motion Carried.**

Earl Kilian asked that Tom Power bring samples of our awards that we give out at the IAHA State Tournament as well as the High School Tournament to the next meeting so that everyone could see them. Tom will bring those for everyone to look at.

**Election of Officers:**

*Earl Kilian made a motion that we Elect the President and Secretary for a period of 2 years and the Vice President and Treasurer for a period of 1 year so that they are up for re-election next year and we are back on track with our policy and procedure.* Motion was seconded by Bev Hott. No Discussion. **Motion Carried.**

*Earl Kilian made a motion to nominate Tom Power for President.* Motion was seconded by Bob Crosby.

*Earl Kilian made a motion to nominate Dean Brandstetter for Vice President.* Motion was seconded by Bev Hott.

*Earl Kilian made a motion to nominate Wally Morgus for Treasurer.* Motion was seconded by Bev Hott.

*Bev Hott made a motion to nominate Carolina Stevens for Secretary.* Motion was seconded by Earl Kilian.

Vote take, all were elected with no opposition.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be September 20, 2008, in Idaho Falls.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicki Bowden