

Alaska State Hockey Association  
Board Meeting  
November 9, 2013

Members present: Justin Marcum, Destry Lind, Mike Miley, Jerry Mackie, Annetta Powell, David Cacciolfi, Blake Riekena, Jim Culley, Jack Tragis, Carlos Gomez, Vilma Shuttleworth, Keith Morris, Laura Ramsey, Pete Sloan, and Nikole Stenehjem.

Officers present: Darryl Thompson, Joe Newhouse, Keith Berrian, Kathy Merrick, and Carol Hammingh.

USA Hockey Officials present: Chris Milles.

Visitors present: Cristy Hickel

Members excused: Lynn Thompson, Kris Knauss, Ted Barton, Dan Massie, Brenda Luthi, Anna Culley, Dave McCarrey, Wayne Sawchuk, Andrew Good, Mike LaFlamme and Lisa McPheters.

The meeting was called to order by Darryl Thompson, President. The following board members were seated:

Greg Milles

Fairbanks Arctic Lions

Introductions were made of those present. The agenda was approved as presented. The minutes were approved as presented.

Persons to be heard: None

President's Report: Darryl Thompson reported that the Bid for Nationals went to San Jose. The District Seats that are up for election are District Directors Donna Kauffman from Washington and Charlie Fuertch from California. Darryl quickly explained the structure of the District Board. He reported that California wants to be their own District because of the travel costs to participate in District in Alaska, and noted that their Tier I teams travel many times a year all over the country e associated with their participation in the Elite League, so it appears they have or complain to have exhausted their annual travel budget on great exposure trips, and yet want to complain about travel to the one national bound tournament of the year.

Darryl encouraged everyone to support the UAA Hockey team and that meetings with the new AD at UAA were very positive, and reports spoke to the AD about the possibility of a UAA Women's Club Program. He thanked the mayor for rink

improvements and encouraged all to attend the November 19<sup>th</sup> meeting so that your voice may be heard.

There was a USA Hockey Audit review (see attachment)

Darryl presented what was paid out for Grants (see attachment)

There will be a level 5 Coaching Clinic in Vegas and please encourage your coaches to attend.

Keith Morris moved and Dave Cacciolfi second to donate \$3,000.00 to the district for the USA Hockey Level 5 Coaching Clinics. The Motion passed.

Finance Report: Joe Newhouse presented written reports Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss as of August 31, 2013, Draft Budget for 13-14, and Notes from USA Hockey Audit review. See Attachments.

Joe reported that ASHA is once again in the black. Joe will send out a draft of 990 to the board and they will have 1 week to review before he files the report.

Jerry Mackie moved and Laura Ramsey second that Joe obtain on behalf of ASHA additional insurance coverage on theft in excess of the \$100k that USA Hockey already has. The motion passed.

Joe reported that he will work closely with Carol to look at the State Tournament costs for the House Teams.

Keith Berrian moved and Annetta Powell second to have Joe, Darryl, and Brenda added as signers and remove Cullen Wallace as a signer on the bank account. The Motion passed.

USA Hockey asked about equipment that ASHA has; there are 2 each Power Point Projects (1 in Anchorage and 1 in Fairbanks) and they are over 10 years old. If there is a fax machine purchased for Lisa McPheters to use, there would be a record kept. Joe will finish the Audit items.

Kathy Merrick moved and Keith Berrian second to approve the budget pending any new items given to Joe in the next week. The Motion passed.

VP Tournaments: Carol Hammingh presented her report (see attached).

VP Comp Council: Kathy Merrick reported that the Comp Council voted to approve the Seeded schedules for the 16 Midget Tier I and Tier II and the 18 Midget Tier II;

Joe Newhouse moved to accept the schedules and Keith Morris second. The Motion passed.

The Comp Council would like the Squirt and Pee Wee schedules to follow the National Bound seeding schedules.

Justin Marcum moved and Keith Morris second to align the non-national bound alpha seeding to the numeric seeding that the national bound schedules use. The Motion passed.

It was brought out that ASHA SafeSport was to be completed by October 15<sup>th</sup>. Per USA Hockey only Program Directors need to complete SafeSport by November 30<sup>th</sup>.

VP House Council: Carol read Anna's report (see attached).

VP Girls/Women: Carol read Dave's report (see attached).

VP Adult: Keith Berrian reported that all is going well and incident reports are low.

VP Player Development: Carol read Wayne's report (see attached).

SafeSport Report: No report.

Discipline Report: No report.

Associate Risk Manager: No report.

Associate Registrar: Carol read Lisa's report (see attached)

Referee – in – Chief: Chris Milles reported that it is the last weekend for Ref Seminars with the exception of the outlying areas. Chris asked that he be kept in the loop with Girls Districts.

Coach – in – Chief: No report.

Junior Hockey: Jack Tragis reported that everything is formed and pucks are on the ice and ready to go. Jack said that Fairbanks had a couple of College Coaches visiting to observe hockey.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Anna Culley has asked for \$1,500.00 to assist with Arctic Winter Games that will be held in Fairbanks March 14 – 24<sup>th</sup> .

Vilma Shuttleworth moved and Jack Traxis second to give Anna \$1,500.00 to use at Arctic Winter Games. A short discussion follow stating that the money would need to be used toward Hockey related expenses and receipts would be reimbursed. The Motion passed.

Joe Newhouse reported that we need an Audit Committee. Kathy Merrick will Chair this Committee and pick the members.

Board Member Comments:

Destry Lind commented that the Edge Camps for Mites to Midgets Boys and Girls will be July 7-11, 2014.

Justin Marcum commented that the All Stars are busy preparing for the Girls Pacific District Tournament and that he will be reaching out for help.

Carol Gomez reported that the Mulcahy rinks are complete. December 8, 2013, will be the date for the annual Guns and Hoses hockey game and flyers were sent around the room. The proceeds will go to the Scotty Gomez Foundation. There will be a \$1 entry fee if you wear a hockey jersey with lots of activities. He stated that the divider issue is resolved.

Laura Ramsey reported that the Moose are doing a fundraiser in conjunction with UAA on November 22 and 23, to help with a player who has cancer.

Joe Newhouse asked that Associations submit their travel dues.

Jerry Mackie has Jr Aces raffle tickets for a new car. The Aces will host for the ECHL Heritage Weekend on February 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.

Greg Milles asked that all Associations encourage their coaches to attend the Level 5 Clinic in Vegas.

Kathy Merrick mentioned that Alaska rates 1<sup>st</sup> in Adults and only 11<sup>th</sup> out of 12 for youth players. We need to find a way to improve this number.

Keith Morris reported that the Moose have their 1<sup>st</sup> girl's team. He suggested that we put a Committee together to look at using some of the ASHA surplus money to grow hockey. He thanked Carlos for everything he is doing.

Darryl Thompson thanked all of the vast numbers of volunteers including those behind the scenes volunteers, because with them we have a wonderful game that is enjoyed by all. Remember, Hockey For Life

Carlos Gomez reported on Girls High School Hockey. The Gomez Foundation was brought in to resurrect the program and they are committed for 3 years. Mandy was hired to run the program and due to the lack of consideration and respect shown Mandy from now on Carlos is taking over.

Carlos Gomez moved and Justin Marcum second to adjourn the meeting at 12:15pm. The Motion Passed

The next meeting will be Saturday, January 4, 2014 at 10:00 at the Coast Inn.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Hammingh  
Acting ASHA Secretary

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