

Alaska State Hockey Association
Board Meeting
November 10, 2012

Members present: Corey Millen, Chris King, Rich Brister, Jerry Mackie, Annetta Powell, David Cacciolfi, Pat McDonald, Scott Hulse, Jim Culley, Michael Steffey, Jordy Wolter, Jack Tragis, Ted Barton, Dan Massie, Mike Laflamme, Keith Morris, Travis Frisk, Sally Wright, Rob Askew(alt.), Barret Heisten (alt.), Matt Ketchum (alt.), Michelle Nilson (alt.), Keith Armstrong (alt.), Carolyn Watson (alt.) and Kory Wright (alt.).

Officers present: Darryl Thompson, Brenda Luthi, Joe Newhouse, Keith Berrian, Kathy Merrick, Dave McCarrey, Wayne Sawchuk and Rosalie Nadeau.

USA Hockey Officials present: Dan Rogness, Connie Hardwick, Rick Trupp and Chris Milles.

Visitors present: Holly Rutkee, Cristy Hickel, Kelly Millen, Dr. Cusack, Katie Knuckleby and David Frey.

Members excused: Anna Culley, Tim Stage, Lynn Thompson, Mike Miley, John Stenehjerm, Vilma Shuttleworth, Gregg Bembenek and Destry Lind.

The meeting was called to order by Darryl Thompson, President. Introductions were made of all present. The agenda was approved as presented. The minutes were approved as presented. There was no correspondence to present. Most correspondence comes to Darryl via email. If any board member would like to receive all of the email correspondence Darryl receives, please let him know. Otherwise he will forward correspondence he feels is pertinent.

Persons to be heard: Katie Knuckleby spoke to the open position of the Girls/Women Representative to ASHA. She urged board members to support Dave McCarrey, who is running for the position.

President's Report: Darryl Thompson reported that the ADM model is mandated for 8 & Under by USA Hockey, but that there is some exception language. If you have questions regarding this, please ask Darryl.

For the Boys Select Camps, Kris Knauss Wayne has taken over for Bruce Urban (who no longer lives in our district) to serve as the administrator for the camp, but it will be conducted with Wayne Sawchuk being responsible for the evaluators, and Jon Gustafson, who is a District Director and manages the San Jose Rink, handling hotels, local transportation, and meals. The Boys Select Camp will now be held in San Jose so it can be held in one weekend, May 2-5, 2013.

Regarding the girls and woman's section, Margo Dreyer will continue to serve as the administrator of the camp, and because Dick Coombs, the past District Director who was the designated director overseeing the girls and woman's section has resigned, the Pacific District has appointed Darryl Thompson to be the designated director overseeing the girls and woman's section. The Girls Select Camps will be the last weekend in April and will be held the Olympic View rink, Washington as it has in the past, with the possibility of moving to San Jose in future years.

Finance Report: Joe Newhouse explained the balance sheets. Jerry Mackie moved, and Wayne Sawchuk seconded to adopt the FY 12/13 budget draft. Joe answered questions regarding the budget. Darryl Thompson is going to investigate Pointstreak alternatives and report back to the board. Keith Berrian would like to add a line item for adult for some funds to be segregated and set aside for adults tournaments, an amendment to allocate a \$3000.00 line item for the adult section was approved, and the budget passed as presented and amended.

VP Tournaments: Rosalie Nadeau reported that she is working on schedules for the state tournaments. The Comp Council approved an alternate schedule which is not in the hand book for the 16 B state tournament in Soldotna due to ice availability. Kathy Merrick moved, Jordy Wolter seconded to approve the schedule. The discussion surrounded the need to so change to work around the Kenai Brown Bears junior games times for that weekend and the 4 hours rest requirement. The motion passed.

VP Comp Council: Kathy Merrick reported that the Squirt Major state tournament wants to use a 7 team, 2 division national bound tournament format which would eliminate seven games and make it easier on teams and families. Matt Ketchum moved and Chris King seconded to accept this recommendation. Discussion followed. Dan Massie moved and Travis Frisk seconded to table the vote until board members are able to discuss this discussion with their associations. The motion to table was defeated. A vote was taken on the original motion of accepting the recommendation of using the 7 team, 2 division national bound tournament format. The motion failed with 9 votes for and 16 votes opposed. The Squirt Major state tournament will keep the non-national bound state tournament format.

VP House Council: Rosalie Nadeau reported for Anna Culley that they need to add a U18 Tier IV tournament this year. AHA has volunteered to be the host. Rosalie Nadeau moved and Annetta Powell seconded to add the U18 Tier IV state tournament this year with AHA being the host. The motion passed. All associations with House teams need to declare to Anna by December 1st what teams they will be fielding this year. Please do this via email. All teams wishing to attend a 2013 House State Tournament need to have their registration form

and \$900.00 per team payment postmarked by December 1st and sent to Rosalie Nadeau. They have been discussing what the U8 2014 State Tournament will look like now and hope to have a decision made by our December meeting. All associations are asked to take this back to their boards and come prepared to make a decision in December.

VP Girls/Women Council: Dave McCarrey reported that at their previous meetings they have discussed the Girls Selects. The registration for state Girls Selects is online and will be held December 22-23, 2012 at the Subway Center in Anchorage. The Girls District Tournaments will be held in Anaheim, CA. Darryl Thompson is the contact person for the Girls Showcase to be held in Pittsburgh, PA April 14-17, 2013.

VP Adult Council: Keith Berrian reported that all is calm so far.

VP Player Development: Wayne Sawchuk reported that the state Boys Selects registration is online and the try-outs will be held December 22-23, 2012 at Ben Boeke in Anchorage. Contact Wayne Sawchuk if anyone is interested in volunteering. Pacific District Boys Selects will be in San Jose May 2-5 for 96-98 birth years. The multi-district Boys Selects camp will be in Colorado Springs for the 99s June 22-27, 2012.

Discipline Committee: Darryl Thompson reported for Mike Arnold that the match penalties are down. Darryl also referred an official from the valley to the committee for discipline because, despite having been personally warned not to, he continued to officiate and schedule others to officiate when he knew that he and some he scheduled were not screened. That referee was suspended for thirty days by the ASHA Discipline Committee.

Associate Risk Manager: No report

Registrar: Dan Rogness announced that he will be retiring from his position next summer after 25 years. This is a USA Hockey appointment. Dan was given a HUGE thank you from ASHA.

Associate Registrar: Connie Hardwick presented her report (see attached). She announced that she is applying for the position which will be open with the retirement of Dan Rogness.

Referee-in-Chief: Chris Milles presented his report (see attached).

Coach-in-Chief: Rick Trupp reported that 11 clinics are completed with four remaining. He reminded board members to make sure that their coaches get to clinics, and to remind them of the online modules that need to be completed. USA Hockey has available a coaches app.

Jr. Hockey: Jack Tragis that everyone is skating with lots of behind-the-scenes work taking place.

Old Business: Darryl Thompson recommended a friendly tabling of the All Stars Coaching Handbook proposal to be tabled in order to continue gathering information. It was so agreed and tabled.

Paper ballots were distributed for the election of the Girls/Women representative to the board. Laura Ramsey and Dave McCarrey were on the ballot. The paper ballots were counted, and Dave McCarrey is the new Girls/Women representative.

NewBusiness: Darryl Thompson discussed the District Director election coming up. This happens every three years. Nominations are due to Dan Rogness by December 31. The voting is open March 1 and closing in April. Ballots are sent to registrars of each association. Discussion followed regarding the possibility of Alaska supporting one candidate.

Board Member Comments:

Ted Barton gave congratulations to Dave McCarrey.

Travis Frisk said that Pete Sloan is back in Anchorage, now using a wheel chair. Pat McDonald stated that Mandy Reale, the BGC hockey coordinator has quit. BGC is not folding their hockey program, Pat will take over as hockey coordinator. The President's Day Tournament information is on their website.

Joe Newhouse needs travel funds from associations in the Anchorage and Mat-Su area.

Rich Brister stated that penalties are down!

Dave McCarrey stated that he needs input from coaches and associations for the Girls/Women programs.

Mike Laflamme gave a thanks for putting on the referee clinic in Eagle River.

Jerry Mackie stated that there are 600 hours of community service available through the Jr. Aces program. If you have a need, please let him know.

Darryl Thompson stated that the Safe Sport Handbook is on the USA Hockey website and ready for 2013-2014. It expands the scope of screening, and each association will need to have a Safe Sport representative. The Jr. Aces will put on a seminar about the Safe Sport Program in conjunction with representatives from California at the upcoming Youth the district tournament to be held in Anchorage. A congratulations was given to Dave McCarrey for his election to the

Girls/Women position. A big thanks and heartfelt words of gratitude were extended to Dan Rogness for his years of service. Darryl also gave a big thanks to all volunteers who make hockey happen for kids!

The meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be January 12, 2013, at 10:00 at the Coast Inn in Anchorage.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Luthi
ASHA Secretary