

Alaska State Hockey Association
Board Meeting
July 12, 2014

Members present: Justin Marcum, Destry Lind, Barrett Heisten, Dave Ruiz, David Cacciolfi, Mike Schachle, Jim Culley, Mike Steffey, Dima Kulmanovsky, Jack Tragus, Matt Shotenski, Mike LaFlamme, Keith Armstrong, Keith Morris, Pete Sloan, Harry Cotter (alt) and Theresa Austin (alt).

Officers present: Darryl Thompson, Dan Massie, Anna Culley, Dave McCarrey, Wayne Sawchuk and Carol Hammingh.

USA Hockey Officials present: Chris Milles and Joe Barth.

Visitors present: Phil Giorgione and Cristy Hickel.

Members excused: Brenda Luthi, Joe Newhouse, Annetta Powell, Vilma Shuttleworth, Lynn Thompson, Amy Nibert, Merit Waldrop, Carlos Gomez, Ted Barton and Dave Bolin.

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

Seating of ASHA board members:

Ben Boeke	Dave Ruiz
Jr. Avalanche	Mike Schachle
Arctic Lions	Dima Kulmanovsky
Mat-Su	Matt Shotenski
Homer Hockey	Dave Bolin

Introductions were made of all present. The agenda was approved as presented. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved as presented. A request for broken hockey sticks from an Iditarod musher was presented as the only correspondence.

Persons to be heard: There were none.

President's Report: Darryl Thompson reported that Kris Knauss was elected to the District Board for a full three year term. Girls and Tier I Districts will be in San Jose March 5-8 2015. The ASHA board contributed 50% of the cost of the hardboard ice dividers. A big thank you was given to John Jolly for the deal he gave us on shipping. Darryl also thanked the board for their timely electronic votes. He gave congratulations to the Alaska Aces and the Fairbanks Ice Dogs as both teams took National Championships!!

Barrett Heisten is the USA Hockey Alaska ADM Coordinator. Please get any ASHA guideline book information to Kris Knauss or Dave Ruiz. The Girls District Camp will be a multi district camp in Colorado Springs in June.

Finance report: We have received over \$22,000.00 in block grant money.

VP Tournaments: Carol Hammingh presented the 2015 state tournament schedule. (see attached) Pete Sloan moved and there was a second to accept the schedule subject to looking into moving the PeeWee Major/Minor division. The motion passed.

VP Comp Council: Dan Massie reported that the Comp Council would like to have a first reading for the National Bound Tier I tryouts to be moved to April. He gave a thank you to those who have volunteered for the division coordinators. They still need coordinators for the Bantam and PeeWee divisions.

VP House Council: Anna Culley went over the suggested guideline book changes.

VP Girls/Women: David McCarrey went over the suggested guideline book changes. Destry Lind reported that the Edge Camp had 93 registered which was 70% capacity. It went very well and they are looking at dates for next year and moving it to Fairbanks.

VP Adult: No report.

VP Player Development: Wayne Sawchuk presented his report (see attached).

Discipline Committee: No report.

Associate Risk Manager: No report.

Associate Registrar: Carol read Lisa's report. The new USA Hockey registry software will be sent out soon. She will get a hold of the Colorado office personnel and attempt to get a definitive date for the registrars receiving the software. She has tentatively scheduled a registrar's meeting on July 29th at 6:00 pm, location to be announced. This information has been emailed out to registrars and many have responded.

Referee-in-Chief: Chris Milles reported that they are getting seminars set up and will get that posted soon. Any official over 18 will need to be registered with SafeSport. Progressive penalties will go by the player name, not be the team name. He is working with Carol on state tournaments. Joe Barth commented that they lost man of their senior referees last year. There is a huge concern on the number and quality of officials. The number of referees continues to decline.

Coach-in-Chief: Rick Trupp reported that he gave a pitch to ASD about having an officiating program as an elective. They are still looking at having a Level 4 Clinic in Fairbanks in November. The Level 4 and 5 Clinics will be in Las Vegas in August. USA Hockey is working to make the coaching apps better.

Junior Hockey: Jack Tragis reported that the Ice Dogs won the National Championship and that they were lucky to beat the Kenai River Brown Bears. The NAHL is the largest hockey league in North America. The Ice Dogs put 13 in colleges this year. September 12 and 13 will be games between the Ice Dogs and the Brown Bears.

SafeSport: No report.

Old Business: None

New Business:

ASHA guideline book changes: (see attached pages for details)

Proposal #1 – Dan Massie moved and there was a second for page 70. The motion passed. Dan Massie moved and there was a second for page 69. The motion passed. Dan Massie moved and there was a second for page 76. The motion did not pass.

Proposal #2 – Mike LaFlamme moved and there was a second for 12.3(a). The motion passed. 12.3(b) passed with the correction of 14 minutes to 15 minutes.

Proposal #3 – Dan Massie moved and there was a second for 19.1(a). The motion passed. Mike LaFlamme moved and there was a second for 19.1(b). The motion passed. Keith Morris moved and there was a second for 20.1(a) with the corrected wording as seen on the attachment. The motion passed. Keith Morris moved and there was a second for 20.1 (b). The motion passed.

Proposal #4 – Dan Massie moved and there was a second for 5.4.1 with the wording changed from Non-National Bound to Alaska League. The motion passed.

Proposal #5 – Pete Sloan moved and there was a second for 8.20. The motion passed.

Proposal #6 – Mike LaFlamme moved and there was a second for page 95, section 13 with suggested wording change (see attachment for wording). The motion passed. A friendly amendment to the attached proposal #6 was included in the motion at the recommendation of the comp council that passed. The new wording included the following that required a waiver request and approval by ASHA to field 3 teams per association:

“One level of competitive hockey will be offered at the Squirt and PeeWee age level. An association may register a maximum of two (2) teams at the Squirt and PeeWee age levels. (i.e. maximum of two major teams; or two minor teams; or one major and one minor team). USA Hockey Forum 1-T (USA Hockey Official Team Roster) shall designate the level for all teams (Major and Minor) at the scheduling meeting. An association may submit a waiver request to ASHA on a year- by -year basis to field a

maximum of three (3) teams at the Squirt and PeeWee age levels, but with a maximum of two (2) teams at either the major or minor level.

Page 81 proposal – Dan Massie moved and there was a second to refer to the USA Hockey Annual Guide for these guidelines. The motion passed.

Page 69 proposal – Dan Massie moved and there was a second to refer to the USA Hockey Annual Guide for these guidelines. The motion passed.

Page 76 proposal – Dan Massie moved and there was a second with the suggested wording changes (see attachment for wording). The motion passed.

Page 143 proposal – Justin Marcum moved and there was a second. The motion passed.

Page 129 proposal – Justin Marcum moved and there was a second. The motion passed.

Proposal #8 – Pete Sloan moved and there was a second with the wording added that all changes be clearly noted. The motion passed.

Proposal #9 – Justin Marcum moved and there was a second. Associations who anticipate having Girl's program(s) for the next season may hold tryouts beginning the first Monday in May following the USAH National Tournament. The motion passed.

Rosalie Nadeau was awarded the volunteer award, and Matt Boline was awarded the youth leader award – Congratulations!

Keith Morris moved and there was a second to allow SAMM to have a third PeeWee and Squirt team. SAMM's waiver request as presented to the board to field the third team at each level included that if 3 teams were fielded that each of the three teams would be limited to no more than 14 players (13 skaters and 1 goalie) per team. The motion passed.

Barrett Heisten moved and there was a second to allow AHA North Stars to have a third PeeWee and Squirt team. The motion passed.

Board Member Comments:

The Comp Scheduling meetings will be on Friday, August 15th from 6:00-9:00pm for Squirts and PeeWees, and on Saturday, August 16th from 8:00-11:00am for Bantams and Midgets.

Mike LaFlamme comments that there will not be a Thanksgiving Tournament because the ice will be out.

Dave Ruiz reminded everyone to get any changes into him for the ASHA guideline book.

Darryl Thompson reminded everyone that with the MAC Ice under repair, all those associations who participate in the MOA Ice Allotment should try and work things

out and provide as soon as possible any and all ice it can to MHA and not hold onto it. He encouraged everyone to reach out and communicate.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be August 16, 2014 at 11:00 at the Coast International Inn.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Hammingh
Acting Secretary