

New England District Meeting

NED Winter Meeting

January 19, 2019

Orlando, FL

Presidents/Directors Session – 5:00 pm

Attendees: Ray St Pierre (NED Secretary), Maurice Rosales (NED Managing Director), Nate Isham (VP Vermont), Keith Barrett (NED Director), Mike Keaney (ME President), Cheri Bonawitz (NED Director), Matt Roy (NH President), John Cioffi (VT President), Tom Regan (NED Director), Ken (RI), Kevin (CT-RIC), Bob Laurence (RI President), Mike McCullough (NED Registrar)

Agenda Items:

Update on Futures Camp

John and Ray reported that we met with Roger Grillo to finalize the plan for the Futures Camp. The schedule is being finalized, and an information packet will be sent soon to the states, to distribute to the selected players.

We confirmed that each state will be covering cost of their coaches. We will also be providing gifts for staff, officials, and coaches – likely a pullover shirt with the futures camp logo – likely blue for staff and black for officials.

Development Camp Grant Money

We received a check for \$14,050.00 from USA Hockey for our camps

SafeSport and Background Checks

Everyone on the NED Board needs to make sure they have a background checked and SafeSport trained

Conflict of Interest Policies must be signed by all. Tom reported that the new form was just finalized, and he will distribute.

Transgender Policy will be posted on the USA Hockey website later this week

Youth Council- report from Keith Barrett

Large group discussion, with members of multiple USA Hockey committees, to discuss taking checking out of 14U hockey. This was preliminary small group sessions to discuss the pros and cons of many options to modify or eliminate checking from this level of hockey. This will be a work in progress, through the committees, to find common ground on how it is addressed.

Playing Rule Committee meeting

Kevin reported that Matt Leaf is going to be putting out “points of emphasis” in regards to body checking. They discussed talking about competitive contact, rather than a body check. An example is the US Women’s games are very physical, but they do not allow checking.

Conference Call will be February 21, 2019 at 7pm