

**NORTH DAKOTA AMATEUR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION**  
**2011 Board of Directors Winter Meeting**  
**Rugby, ND**  
**January 9, 2011**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

President Greg Evenson called the meeting to order at 12:35 pm on Sunday, January 9, 2011 at the Ottertail Meeting Room in Rugby, ND.

**II. ROLL CALL**

**Present:**

Greg Evenson, President  
Betty Triplett, Treasurer  
Scott Schafer, Youth Leagues  
Julie Howatt, NE Director  
Greg Bender, NW Director

Tammy Fossum, Secretary  
Dennis Moore, Boys HS League  
Dave Hoff, Coach-in-Chief  
David Duckworth, NE Director  
Jay Marshall, SE Director

**Absent:**

Don Rostad, Vice President  
Brad Pratt, NDAHA Referee-in-Chief  
Scott Koberinski, PD Director  
Jared Olson, NW Director  
Dave Hanneman, SW Director

John Colter, NP District Registrar  
Don Fiebiger, Risk Manager  
Terry Halstengard, SW Director  
Keith Holland, SE Director

**Also Present:**

Chad Arendt, B League NE Secretary

**III. GUESTS**

Chad Arendt was introduced to the Board.

**IV. MINUTES**

Motion was made by Scott Schafer to approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting of September 25, 2010. Motion was seconded and passed.

**V. REPORTS**

**A. State Tourney Committee/Youth League Director**

Scott Schafer reported that the youth league tournaments were drawn up this morning and will be posted on the website this week. The Girls/Womens Director has asked for another week to plan the Girls tournaments. Scott reported that it was a struggle to get hosts for the state tournaments, partially due to cost prohibitions. He discussed proposing a team fee to be given to the host community to help offset costs. He also discussed changing our current method of state tournament host rotation.

**B. Coach in Chief**

David Hoff reported that there were seven coaching misconducts prior to Christmas vacation, which is an increase over the previous season. All coaching certifications were done as of December 31, 2010. A Level 4 clinic will be held in North Dakota next August 19-21. At this time it is anticipated to be held in Grand Forks or Fargo. Mr. Hoff has been meeting with Karl Goehring, Eli Rosendahl and Courtney Drennen regarding holding goaltending clinics next fall that would fulfill coaching certification requirements. He reported that the ADM is gaining momentum in ND and David is planning on holding ADM presentations in 2 or 3

locations this spring, possibly with the help of Guy Gosselin, ADM Regional Manager. He would also like to have ADM reps in each of our state districts. Additionally, he plans to continue writing his bi-weekly newsletter.

### **C. Player Development**

President Evenson reported that David Hoff has been working with Scott Koberinski, Courtney Drennen, and himself on the spring player development events. The Ralph Engelstad Arena staff has also been working with us to fulfill Ralph Engelstad's dream of helping to spread the love of hockey to all of ND. Our Advanced camps will be held in Minot in April. The NP District Camp will be held in Grand Forks the first weekend of June.

### **D. Boys High School League**

Dennis Moore reported that the season has been going smoothly with few issues. The state tournament will likely be pool play with the seven teams in the league. Also, he stressed the need to get the ADM presentations and training to the parents.

### **E. Girls/Womens League**

President Evenson reported that the state tournament locations have been decided. The girls jamboree held in Bismarck was quite successful.

### **F. Risk Manager**

President Evenson reported that he has met with Don Fiebiger and they are working with Jay Marshall and web administrator Keith Holland to create a system to post our information on the website and to ensure that we are performing all required background checks.

### **G. District Directors**

NW: Greg Bender reported that everything has been going great.

NE: Julie Howatt and David Duckworth reported that all has been running smoothly.

SE: Jay Marshall reported that all is fine.

SW: No Report

### **H. Treasurer**

Betty Triplett presented the Treasurers report.

### **I. President**

Discussion was held regarding the NDAHA discipline policy and procedures. The discussion was focused on the District's becoming more involved to help streamline hearings.

Our NDAHA Referee-in-Chief position was discussed at great length.

## **VI. OLD BUSINESS**

### **A. Spring Meeting**

The Spring Meeting will be held in Minot on May 7 & 8. We plan on holding workshops with USA Hockey presentations on the ADM and Growing the Game, among others.

## **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Proposals**

Greg reported that we have a large group of proposals to take care of housekeeping issues with our By-Laws and Rules & Regulations. He asked for the Board's approval to allow him and the Board Secretary to make additional corrections to our By-Laws and Rules & Regulations for grammar and punctuation.

Motion was made by Julie Howatt to allow the Board President and Secretary to make housekeeping and grammatical changes to our By-laws and Rules & Regulations in red and submit the documents to the Affiliates and Board for approval. Motion was seconded and passed.

Greg also asked that we extend the date to submit proposals to February 10, 2011.

Motion was made by Scott Schafer to extend the date to submit proposals for this spring to February 10, 2011. Motion was seconded and passed.

#### **B. Elections**

Positions up for election this spring are President, Treasurer, Youth League Director, Girls/Womens Director, Boys High School Director. Also, four District Directors are also up for election: Terry Halstengard, SW Director; Jay Marshall, SE Director; Julie Howatt, NE Director; and Greg Bender, NW Director.

### **VIII. FOR THE GOOD OF HOCKEY**

#### **A. Locker Room Policy**

USA Hockey's locker room policy was reviewed. President Evenson explained that coaches are responsible for monitoring the locker rooms. They may assign someone to monitor the locker room for them, but that person must have a background screen completed prior to becoming a monitor. It was discussed that the monitor is not required to be present at all times in the locker room but must be in or near the doorway if not in the locker room.

#### **B. Playing Rules Changes**

President Evenson handed out USA Hockey's proposed rule changes. Of special interest is their proposal to eliminate body checking from the peewee level.

#### **C. Scoresheets**

Chad Arend discussed problems he has with scoresheets being submitted that are inadequately completed. The Board instructed him to return the incomplete scoresheets to the team to have them corrected and submitted properly.

#### **D. Winter Meeting Attendance**

Discussion was held regarding Board Member attendance at our Winter Meeting. All Board members are encouraged to adjust their schedules so that they may attend as their input is important to the continued success of our association.

#### **E. Spring Meeting Attendance**

Discussion was held regarding encouraging all affiliates to have a representative attend our Spring Annual Meeting.

### **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Scott Schafer that the meeting adjourn at 3:02 pm. Motion was seconded and passed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tammy Fossum, Secretary