

North Dakota Amateur Hockey Association

2012 Board of Directors Fall Meeting

Great American Inn, Devils Lake, ND

Saturday, September 15, 2012

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Greg Evenson called the meeting to order at 1:00p.m. on Saturday, September 15, 2012 at the Great American Inn in Devil's Lake, ND

II. ROLL CALL

BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Greg Evenson, President

Scott Schafer, Vice President

Lee A. Haugen, Secretary

Betty Triplett, Treasurer

Chad Arendt, Youth Director

Keith Olson, Girls League

Dennis Moore, High School League

Scott Koberinski, Player Development

John Colter, NP District/ND Registra

Julie Howatt, N.E Director

David Duckworth, N.E. Director

Greg Bender, N.W. Director

Jared Olson, N.W. Director

Jay Marshall, S.E. Director

Tom Folske, S.W. Director

Terry Halstengard, S.W. Director

Dave Hoff, Coach-in-Chief

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ABSENT:

Don Fiebiger, Risk Manager

Peter Sonnesyn, Director Emeritus

Jack Kleven, Director Emeritus

ALSO PRESENT:

Dave Dusek, Fargo Angels

Sue Leake, Northwood

Jay McClintock, Rugby

Bob Gillen, Crosby

Tom Mickelson, NDHOA

Ryan Griggs, West Fargo

Jeff Lockhart, Fargo Youth Hockey

Dan Frei, Hazen

Dave Hanson, Watford City

Terry Wallace, Devil's Lake

Dave Hills, Grafton

III MINUTES

Greg Evenson said the minutes from the spring meeting were not quite ready so they will be voted on at the winter meeting 01/27/2013. Greg requested any additional topics people would like to add. He mentioned he would be talking about sanctioned and non-sanctioned events later in the meeting.

IV. ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS/SPECIAL PRESENTATION

New State logo contest was completed by the logo committee comprised of Betty Triplett, Tammy Fossum, & Julie Howatt. The winner of the \$500.00 in gift certificates was Jody Mirschel from Hazen. His design was chosen from 26 entries.

V. REPORTS/UPDATES

A. YOUTH DIRECTOR – Chad Arendt

Chad requested that all affiliates get their score sheets turned in in a timely manner this season. He also notified the board that Jay McClintock would be taking his place as district secretary.

Greg Evenson - suggested we talk about the Choice programs at this time. Nothing was really on the agenda

Juile Howatt – said she had abstained since no rules were followed. She also questioned how the new level would affect teams not in it.

Dave Duckworth – said he wasn't against the program, but was upset by the process that was used to reach it. He stated that there hadn't been enough time to contact all the communities about it and get their input.

Greg Evenson – If the process wasn't right he would take full responsibility but as a whole the board voted for it. Location for it's State Tournament could be the level 3 sites so no communities would lose their chance to host. He felt this league did follow the ADM format about creating competitive teams, but he would leave it open to the floor to see what they want to do.

Terry Wallace – Said at this point they were looking at 4 Bantam teams & 5 peewee. These were teams that said they would like to be in this league.

Bantams: Fargo Freeze, West Fargo, Minot, & Grand Forks

Peewee: Fargo Freeze, West Fargo, Grand Forks 2, Minot

Not having a B-1 league creates a scheduling problem with Minnesota Tournaments.

Greg – Part of the consideration for this league would bring about more competitive play in both regular season games and State Tournaments. Do we, at this point, want to back up and start over, or complete this as a pilot program for one year.

Dave Duckworth – Suggested that before we went any further we should have a motion made to add this to the agenda to see if it gets the 75% necessary to be discussed and voted on.

Motion made by Dave Duckworth 2nd made by Dan Frei

Lee Haugen – A vote of 13 for the motion, motion passes.

Greg Evenson – Opens the floor for discussion on Choice League.

At this point it was questioned if only those who committed today could/would be in choice league or if Rep's should be given time to return to their communities and find how they feel about being in this league since it would play as a state wide league not by district thus causing more travel.

Julie Howatt – Expressed concern about the locations that would no longer have a B3 Tournament since there would be a change in team levels

Greg Evenson-Said he had suggested before that the Choice League Tournament would be in those locations. (Langdon & Hazen)

Keith Olson – I feel this makes a much more competitive situation and is much better for the players. This also should do away with some of the 20 to 1 games that aren't good for anyone.

Scott Schafer – Are we sure on the number of teams at this level (count was taken) number of possible teams changed to 8 Bantams & 9 Peewee. He also reminded everyone that this was a state wide league and would increase the amount of travel. The rest of the B league would still be by district.

Chad Arendt – Was (Choice League) going to be the name of the league.

Dan Frei – Is this league going to need to be approved year by year.

Greg Evenson – For now, yes, it will be approved year by year.

Scott Schafer – Can weak A teams move to the Choice League some years then go back in their stronger years.

Greg Evenson – The pilot program as introduced would be a state wide league. Teams in Choice League could have games against other B teams if they choose, as extra games, but must play a complete Choice League schedule.

Motion was made to have a cut off date of October 1, made by Jay Marshall 2nd by Chad Arendt.

Jay Marshall – Does this lock everything?

Scott Schafer – NO

Scott Koberinski – We should all look at this idea not as what community can win the most games but for players to be at the right level for the best player development.

Julie Howatt-Makes motion that affiliates notify the State Tournament Committee of there request of what level they plan to play at. The Tournament Committee will then adjust locations and sites by October 15, 2012. 2nd by Dave Duckworth.

Greg Evenson – Pointed out that there is already a motion on floor which needs to be voted on first. It is voted on and fails, Then a vote on Julie Howatt’s motion and it passes.

B. BOYS JR GOLD/HIGH SCHOOL DIRECTOR – DENNIS MOORE

7 teams in league this year with a possibility of 8. State Tournament will be in Sidney, MT Feb 28, & March 1-2, 2013 It will again be cover by BEK TV. Fargo Flames are no longer, they are replaced by Fargo Freeze

C. GIRLS/WOMEN’S DIRECTOR – KEITH OLSON

Things are going well, Girls are going to have several jamborees this year. This should give teams more playing time with less travel.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. REGISTRA – JOHN COLTER

Next year mites are mandated by USA to play cross ice. Greg pointed out that the state had some leeway for tournaments etc. John said he had some flyers telling what USA insurance covers, he also had the new USA Rule Books and that everyone should be sure to take plenty for their teams.

B. TREASURER – BETTY TRIPLETT

Copies of the last years financials, September 1, 2011 thru August 31, 2012, were passed out and Betty went through and briefly reviewed it. Team North Dakota Girls showed a loss this year due to the purchase of jerseys. She said we are a growing company but we spend on things like Ice dividers, grant programs, etc. however, we do though take in more then we spend. Greg then pointed out That we have our 5 year audit by USA in October. Betty then asked if there were any questions and there were none.

Lee Haugen – Had house keeping issue and read through the names off the affiliates that haven't sent in their information sheets for this year, and that there was a form on the state site under the affiliate listing tab.

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Call to order by Greg Evenson 2:25pm Sat. September 15, 2012

C WEBMASTER- MIKE HARTEL

Gave informational talk on state web site, Mike then opened things up to Q & A

D DISCIPLINE DIRECTOR – DAVE DUCKWORTH

Nothing to report on.

E. REPRESENTATIVE FROM NDHOA – TOM MICKELSON

He asked that anyone interested in becoming an official forward their information to them since they need more young people to train. He asked that we all support game officials on head contact and checking from behind calls.

F. COACH – IN CHIEF – DAVE HOFF

As of September 14th this years clinics were on the USA site. You must be registered for the 2012-2013 season and you must register on line. Level 4 clinic will be in Grand Forks Oct 27 & 28, 2012 at Howard Johnson Hotel & REA. Clinic change this year, those coaches that are coaching Mites only will be able to stay at level 1. Lastly, the age specific modules will be on line as of September 17th.

G. PLAYER DEVELOPMENT – SCOTT KOBERINSKI

Bob Gillen has now joined player development. Next weekend will be Bantam Weekend in Minot, ND. Scott also pointed out that in order to take part in North Dakota Player Development in the fall you must attend the Spring session also.

H. SAFESPORT INITIATIVE – GREG EVENSON

This is a new program coming from Hockey USA via US Olympic Committee, this is not going to be handled through ACE and we will not be given a choice in acting on it, more information will be forthcoming.

House keeping issues from Greg:

Non Sanctioned Games, these games can not have any ties whatsoever with the affiliate. That means things like different jerseys, no board involvement, etc.

Reminder cross ice is the only thing you can use for under 8, unless state as a whole chooses something else.

One Goal equipment is on hand for purchase through Greg, Call or E-Mail.

I. STATE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE – SCOTT SCHAFER

There will be \$150.00 fee to play in State Tournament, \$100.00 goes to the host affiliate and \$50.00 goes to state. Bills will be sent out by Scott.

J. WINTER MEETING

This will be held in Rugby, North Dakota January 27, 2013

Greg Evenson – THANK YOU TO TERRY WALLACE FOR ALL THE WORK SETTING UP THE FALL MEETING AGAIN

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT made by Lee Haugen 2nd by Dennis Moore

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted

Lee A. Haugen

NDAHA Secretary