

NORTH DAKOTA AMATEUR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
2019 Spring Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday, April 27, 2019
Country Inn & Suites -- Minot, ND

Call to Order:

President Evenson called the NDAHA Spring Affiliate Meeting to order at 8:15 PM

Roll Call:

The following Board of Directors were present when Roll Call was taken by Bob Gillen, who was acting as a non-voting Secretary for Suzzane Fuchs who was out of town during the meeting.

Greg Evenson-President
Brian Bauman-Vice President
Bob Gillen-Acting Secretary
Keith Olson-Girls Leagues Director
Lee Haugen-NDAHA High School Director
Jay Kleven-NE Director
Jay McClintock-NE Director
Jarrod Olson-NW Director
Greg Bender-NW Director
Jay Marshall-SE Director
Bob Bye-SE Director
Tom Folske-SW Director

Treasurs Report

M-Jay K
S-Lee H.
MSC
Passed 11-Yes & 0-No

Fargo Angels Affiliate Expansion Request – Harry Wood - President

Discussion from the earlier Affiliate Meeting was held by the Board from the Fargo Angels Hockey Club for the NDAHA State Board to review the Fargo Angels Hockey Club Goal for full Affiliate Status. Affiliate vote was 3,776 to approve the Angels Request and 1,173 votes [Fargo Freeze] was to deny the request and West Fargo Abstained. Vote going to the Board will be to pass the Angels Request. Bob Bye said we should table this until we have more information as there was some difference of opinion on ice time after this upcoming season from Fargo Parks and Scheels Arena. Greg E. agreed that information is very important for the board to have in order to make good decisions. Brian B. asked Greg E. what more information we would need? Greg E. said we can't give Girls to the Angels unless they have an avenue for them. Jay K. said we need to determine an Affiliate Agreement. Tom F. said we need to give them a list of items we as NDAHA needs to better inform the board with information. Greg E. said in

Minnesota it is a one-time decision of Residence vs School of Attendance. Jay Marshall said what about a parochial school in Valley City? If the family says school of attendance could they be a part of the Angels? Jay K. said that this is an easy problem to solve that by attending a parochial school and living within the boundaries of Fargo and West Fargo we would have defined criteria. Bob B. said early parents have options at Termite and Mites programs of Freeze and West Fargo but Angels have nothing. Bob B said we can come up with a list of criteria by the Fall Meeting and then a formal proposal from the Angels with Criteria by Spring Meeting 2020. Greg E. said Fargo and West Fargo also have to be at the meeting to present their case and opinions.

Wahpeton/Breckenridge Blades Hockey Club request to align with Minnesota Hockey

The Affiliates voted 1,053 to Pass and 3,780 to Deny Wahpeton/Breckenridge to move to Minnesota Hockey and District 15 for full time status. Greg E. asked the board to make a vote on the B/W Blades request to join Minnesota Hockey. Greg E. said we need $\frac{3}{4}$ of the Board Present to get the request on the floor to discuss and vote since it is not a formal proposal. We need 9 of 11 to vote to allow it to come to the floor to discuss. Then if that happens we need 51% of the Board Present to take action on the request. Brian B. made motion to consider proposal for BW Blades Hockey Club to move to Minnesota District 15. Lee H Second. This vote is to suspend the rules for the above request. We need 9 of 11 Board Members to approve to suspend our By-Laws. 10 of 11 voted to suspend the rules with Jay M. voting no. We now have our 75% to suspend the rules. Motion made by Jay K., Seconded by Lee H. to deny the request from the Wahpeton/Breckenridge Blades Hockey Club to move their Affiliate Status to Minnesota Hockey to come to the floor. We need 51% of the Board present to vote against the motion for it not to be brought to the floor for a final vote. We had over 51% present vote against the motion to deny bringing the request to the floor. Now that it is allowed to bring this item to the floor for a vote of the Board of Directors, Jay K. made the motion to deny the request of the Wahpeton/Breckenridge Blades Hockey Club to move their affiliate status to Minnesota Hockey. Seconded by Lee H. Discussion took place. Bob B. asked if we vote to deny how would this affect our relationship? Jay K. said we will not treat them any different than any other affiliate in our membership. He said how they react to us on this vote is on them but we as NDAHA will not treat them differently. The board asked Bob G. who from the affiliate meeting voted to allow Wahpeton/Breckenridge to move to Minnesota Hockey? Bob G. reported that Devils Lake, Rugby, Grand Forks and Wahpeton/Breckenridge voted to allow the request. Bob Bye asked if this was a simple request vote. Greg E. said it is 51% of the voting Board of Directors. Vote on the motion to deny the request from Wahpeton/Breckenridge to move their affiliate status to Minnesota Hockey was 11-Yes and 0-No. Request from Wahpeton/Breckenridge failed. Greg E. will let Dennis Bushy in District 15 and Minnesota Hockey of the decision as well he will let the President of Wahpeton/Breckenridge of the NDAHA Board of Directors decision.

PROPOSAL - Youth Leagues [Chad Arndt]

Discussion on the lone proposal which failed at the Affiliate Meeting by a vote of 692-Yes to 3,984-No. Jay Kleven made the motion to approve the action and respect the Affiliates vote to deny the proposal. Seconded by Jarrod O. MSC 11-Voted to deny the proposal.

2020 State Tournaments Locations

19U Girls	_____	NW District	March 6-7-8
NDAHA Boys High School League	Sidney, MT		March 5-6-7
Bantam AA	_____	TBD by 5-Teams	March 13-14-15
Bantam A	Devils Lake, ND		March 13-14-15
Bantam B1	Williston, ND		March 13-14-15
Bantam B Gold	Minot, ND		March 13-14-15
Bantam B Silver	_____	SW District	March 13-14-15
Bantam B Bronze	_____	SE District	March 13-14-15
12U/14U & 12U B	West Fargo, ND		March 13-14-15
Peewee A	Dickinson, ND		March 6-7-8
Peewee B1	Mandan, ND		March 6-7-8
Peewee B Gold	Valley City, ND		March 6-7-8
Peewee B Silver	Northstars – Grafton/Park River, ND		March 6-7-8
Peewee B Bronze	Bottineau, ND		March 6-7-8

Motion Brian B Second Lee H to accept State Tournament assignments as presented. Voted to accept 11-Yes & 0-No.

Good for North Dakota Hockey

Discussion from the Board took place on splitting A1 and A2 so all games can be held in Devils Lake. Bob B. said our current rule for A and B1 is 45 miles from the host site if they want to co-host but hotels must be 30 miles to host. Brian B said we will get a lot of negative feedback if we are playing Bantam A games in Cando. Greg E. asked can't we split the Bantam A into A1 and A2 and give Devils Lake an 8-team state tournament and the rest of the Bantam A teams to another location? Greg E. said we know Devils Lake has the Bantam A state tournament and once we get teams registered we will see what we have for numbers and we can then discuss and adjust in the fall. Discussion amongst the board took place on the governance committee and the various leagues and teams for the upcoming season.

Bob B. brought up an update of the West Fargo Hockey Program Review. Bob B has a letter from West Fargo on what they have done. Bob said they have done a good job of addressing many of the concerns from NDAHA but they still have a few items they need to address. One being is the growth of the game. They have 650 players in their program and they are happy to get 90 into their Intro to Hockey Program while Fargo gets around 200. They charge double for their Mites and Termites versus what Fargo charges so that may be hindering their growth and this is one area we asked them to address and they have not yet. Jay K. asked what the fee is? Bob B said it is \$600.00 for Termites and Mites with \$400 as a fundraising fee and \$200 for the actual program fee. Greg E. said he is working with David H and Keith H that 19-20 coaches were not certified this past year and four of them were from West Fargo. One was a coach on January 15th that he was still coaching but after January 1 was not to be allowed to coach until he talked to David Hoff. Jason Gregoire talked to David H but at the end of the year it was found the coach did not talk to David H. and he coached all year and did coach in the state tournament which he was told as was Jason Gregoire that he was not to be on the bench until it was resolved. Jason understands he dropped the ball and Greg does not want him to take the fall on this but we have to get

West Fargo's attention on this matter. Brian B said we say over and over we do not want to punish kids when adults screw up. Brian B said he would rather penalize the coach or hockey director. Greg E. said he didn't have anything even safe sport and background check etc. Bob G asked Greg E. what David H wants with this situation? Bob G. said we have USA Hockey Coaching Program rules and the same association that is under suspension from NDAHA now has a coach that did not do anything for getting certified to coach. We have rules in place and if NDAHA does nothing how is David H going to have any teeth moving forward with other coaches who do not get their stuff done. Greg E. said he will work with David Hoff as he is the Coach-in-Chief.

Chad Arendt talked to everyone that he sent an e-mail out with an excel spreadsheet for B1 for Bantam A through Peewees for League Games, Non-League Games and State Tournament Games. The league games played after the deadline was the information he used to create his proposal. This is an FYI for everyone that he did on his own. He printed off everyone's schedule from their home websites.

Greg E. said overall we had a very good year. Bob B. said that shows in the lack of proposals that the affiliates are satisfied with how the year went.

Fall Meeting will be held on September. 14th in Minot, ND

Motion to Adjourn: 9:56 pm