# NDAHA Board of Directors Spring Meeting Sunday, May 9, 2021 Baymont, Mandan ND

**Call to Order:** President Matt Stockert called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

## **Roll Call:**

Matt Stockert, Jarred Olson, Betty Triplett, Suzzanne Fuchs, Keith Olson, Chad Arendt, Jay Kleven, Jay Mcclintock, Tom Folske, Brian Bauman, Bob Bye, Don Walz, Jerry Zachmeier, Terry Halstengard, Greg Bender, Darrin Voller, Andy Bartsch, Jarred Mcintosh

# Agenda—Additions/Changes

State Tournament Rotation-Super Tournaments

NE District contested election Jay Kleven made a motion to make the NE District election its own agenda item. Bob Bye seconded the motion. All were in favor.

# **Minutes—Approve Spring 2020 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

Betty Triplett made a motion to approve the Board of Director's 2020 Spring Meeting Minutes. Terry Halstengard seconded the motion. All were in favor. The Spring 2020 Board of Director's minutes were approved.

# **NDAHA Reports**

Keith Olson talked about the Girls League and the 15u league. He feels that it comes down to travel and jamboree issues. Keith Olson feels the 14u group will shrink and have an impact on some of the communities. Keith Olson said we have to be flexible and patient. Attached is the information that Keith Olson put together for the Affiliate meeting.

Jay Kleven made a motion to approve the Affiliate recommendation for the Hall of Fame. Brian Bauman seconded the motion. All were in favor.

73% of affiliates voted (nonbinding) to see Wahpeton let go from NDAHA. The Board of Directors talked about the issues and what it could mean. Matt Stockert thinks we should give them an out by allowing the girls to go play Minnesota girls hockey for a year. Bob Bye thinks we can work with them to find a solution. This issue needs to be tabled until we can look at ramifications with the 15u team. Wahpeton could play high school in Minnesota with their girls' team. President Stockert will contact Wahpeton and let them know they could go the high school route in Minnesota with the girls.

## **State Tournaments-Chad Arendt**

SE District has 19u--West Fargo, Bantam B1--Valley City, and PW B Bronze--Wahpeton

SW District has Bantam AA A--Bismarck, PW B Silver--Mandan

NW District has JR Gold--Crosby, Bantam B Silver—Richland, PW B Gold—Williston, and 12u/14u split between Minot & Watford City.

Brian Bauman made a motion to approve the above tournaments based on the discussion that was had at the Affiliate meeting and the Board of Directors meeting. Terry Halstengard seconded the motion. All were in favor.

NE District has Bantam B Gold, PW B1, and PW A AA. Devils Lake would like to host the PW A State Tournament and Grand Forks wants to host the PW A AA State Tournament.

Brian Bauman made a motion to allow Devils Lake to host the PW A State Tournament, as long as they start Thursday night and Grand Forks gets offered the PW AA and PW B1 State Tournaments. Jarred Olson seconded the motion. There was one no vote, one abstain vote, and 11 yes votes. The motion passed.

## **State Tournament Rotation**

Terry Halstengard suggested the Tournament Committee decide on how to do the rotation, and if we include a super tournament. Brian Bauman also thinks the Tournament Committee should decide. The thought from the Board of Directors is to stay with the basic option.

Brian Bauman made a motion to go with Option 3 for the PW Super Tournament and the Bantam Super Tournament would be the opposite year following the same format. Don Walz seconded the motion. The thought would be if a district can't host a super tournament, then it would be split up amongst the Affiliates in the district. There were 12 yes votes and one abstain vote. The motion passes.

# **State Tournament Trophies and T-shirts**

The Affiliates pay \$150 to NDAHA for tournament fees. \$100 of that fee goes back to the Affiliate hosting the State Tournament. The Board of Directors asked Betty Triplett, if we could afford to do more.

There was a suggestion that we should have championship banners. It was also suggested to do hats/beanies instead of t-shirts or give the coach an order form and then the teams get their t-shirts after the tournament. Terry Halstengard made a motion to keep state tournament fees at \$150 with \$100 going back to the affiliate hosting the state tournament along with the championship winners receiving a state tournament beanie/hat, state tournament championship banner, and keeping the trophies. Brian Bauman seconded the motion. All were in favor.

# **NE District director election contest**

Bob Bye would delay ratifying until we seek the opinion of an attorney and then call a special meeting. Discussion then ensued on the topic. There is sufficient disagreement on how our bylaws lay out the voting process. So, there was a suggestion to seek out an attorney to get some advice.

Brian Bauman mentioned we have three voting processes. The Girls League is by caucus and so is the Board. 1 abstain 12 yes

Keith Olson made a motion to hold off ratifying the NE District Directors election until the Board of Directors could seek out advice from a lawyer. Jarred Olson seconded the motion. There were 12 votes in favor and one vote abstained. Some suggested attorney names were Dan Gostad and Steve Johnson. Matt Stockert will contact these gentleman along with contacting USA Hockey legal counsel. Once Matt Stockert has talked with everyone, he will come back to the Executive Board with their recommendations.

### Elections

- a. Vice President--Jarred Olson reelected by Affiliates Chad Arendt made a motion to move to ratify the Affiliates vote. Greg Bender seconded the motion. There were 12 yes votes and 1 vote abstain
- b. Secretary--Cassie Scheving Bob Bye made a motion to move to ratify the Affiliates vote. Chad Arendt seconded the motion. There was 1 no vote, 1 abstain vote, and 11yes votes
- c. District Directors
  - Keith Olson made a motion to move to ratify the Affiliates vote for the SE, SW, and NW District Director Elections. Chad Arendt seconded the motion. There were 12 yes votes and 1 vote abstain.

## 2021 Proposals

- a. Bylaw Proposals 1, 2, 10, 12, & 13 Bob Bye made a motion to ratify the Affiliates votes on the Proposals 1, 2, 10, 12, & 13. Brian Bauman seconded the motion. 1 abstain 12 yes votes
- b. Rule Proposals 3, 4, 5, 6, ,8, 9, & 11
  Bob Bye made a motion to ratify Proposals 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, & 11 as said by the Affiliates as said in yesterday's (May 8, 2021) meeting. Betty Triplett seconded the motion. 1 abstain 12 yes votes
  Keith Olson made a motion to pull Proposal 7 to have discussion. Betty Triplett seconded the motion.
  - Terry Halstengard made a motion to ratify the votes of the Affiliates for Proposal 7 from yesterdays (May 8, 2021) meeting. Don Walz seconded the motion. The Board of Directors then began discussing Proposal 7 and the intent behind the proposal. This is in USA Hockey under the zero-tolerance policy. So, signs would stay up in the rinks about the game suspension for unruly spectators.
  - It was mentioned that we really need to get in place a reporting tool for spectators that are unruly since everything else is already in our rules and regulations.
  - Jarred Olson made a motion to take out clause 4c from Proposal 7 and then approve Proposal 7 as written without the clause. Don Walz seconded the motion. All were in favor

**Falling Meeting** September 18 & 19, 2021 in Jamestown ND

**Adjournment**Terry Halstengard made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Brian Bauman seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 1pm.