

USA Hockey Annual Congress Report
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Grow the Game – Membership Development

- USAH Membership – 8 and Under
 - Grew 4,153 to 95,755 (4.5%) from 08-09 season to 09-10 season
 - First back to back growth years in over twenty years
 - 44% of kids who start playing hockey leave before age 9
- Minnesota Hockey – 8 and Under
 - Grew 552 to 16,692 (3.4%) 08-09 to 09-10
 - Four consecutive years of growth
 - New players declined by 98 (-1.5%) but retained 650 (6.8%)
 - 8 and Under Retention Rate 60.9% - National rate 56.2%
 - 10 and Under Retention Rate 90.7% - National rate 85.6%
 - 12 and Under Retention Rate 96.3% - National rate 91.2%
 - 14 and Under Retention Rate 97.6% - National rate 93.6%
- Minnesota Growth of 552, #3 in Nation behind Illinois and Mid-Am
 - **Award of 140 One Goal starter sets in recognition of our growth**
- Factors of Retention
 - Cost
 - Commitment – time
 - Fun
- Growth Coordinator Job Description posted on website

Legislative Changes

- Elimination of the 12U National Tournament in 2012-13
- Change CEP Program effective 2011-12
- Restructure ACE Program – ACE Director to Associate CIC
- Adopted Revised “Coaching Ethics Code”
- Adopted new “Locker Room Supervision” policy

Block Grant – \$44,446.75 (25% of 09-10 and 75% of 10-11)

Youth Council

- Approved 1 ½ Minute Minor Penalty MN Pilot for games with 15 min periods or less.
- ADM – Massachusetts and New York have mandated cross-ice for Mites.
- Body Contact/Body Checking Committee (Recommendation as to level full body checking is introduced)

- Proposed Youth Player Development Symposium, November 2010, Chicago. Attendees selected group of hockey directors and youth program personnel who are leaders in ADM implementation. (10 to 12 from each ADM region)

Coaching Section

- Revised CEP Program (Basically one level per year thru level 3 plus age specific on-line module)
- Mike MacMillan was elected to National CIC

Marketing Council

- Discussion of the use of e-mail list.

USA Hockey Service Awards

- Five Years

Sue Sentieri – Associate Registrar

Dave Swenson – Adult Council

Steve Tatro – Referee in Chief

- Fifteen Years

Bruce Kruger – Risk Manager

- Twenty Years

Lynn Olson – Girls’/Women’s Section

- Thirty Years

Bob O’Connor – Coaching Section

New Leader Award

- Toni O’Brien – Disabled Hockey