

IAHA Meeting Minutes September 19, 2009

Quorum established 13/19 present.

Those in attendance; Dean Brandstetter, Michael Lehto, Jeremy Mylymok, Rob Dumus, Tom Lampl, Pat McMahon, Nicole Perkins, Joe Doyle, John Heinrich, Bill Combo, Jim Disanza, Bev Hott, Rex Andersen, Karen Shaw, Rich Shaw, George Cole, Steve Walsh, Linda Harkrader, Jeff Knudsen, Tom Taylor, Amy Berasi, Michele Dopson, and Sara W? via conference call.

Dean Brandstetter Pres.

Mike Lehto VP.

Association Reports:

Salmon – Anticipate 100-120 youth, trying for ice by Nov 1, hosting RMHC clinic November 27-28, Having Ref clinic November 14, looking into having a U16 team instead of a Midget team this season.

Treasure – Will be having a Squirt team, 2 PeeWee teams, and a Midget team, questionable about a Bantam team.

IF- Started open registration in July. Start season October 19 thru March 1, working on fund raising for demolition and rebuilding lobby area of the rink. They are also having low Bantam #'s.

Pocatello-Chubbuck - Purchased rink liner (reg size) and will start ice as soon as the weather gets cold enough, have in-line skating on concrete in spring and fall. Met all of the requirements to comply with IAHA standards, now member in good standing with IAHA. Looking at having a U16 team (Midget).

SV – Their Numbers are up with the exception of Bantams, Start date October 19.

Boise Steelheads – Number of skaters is up this year.

Boise City – Looking at over 400 youth skaters.

Lewis and Clark – Hoping for ice October 3 and will do registration. Starting season November 1, will have a Midget team this year.

CDA – will have a team at each age division, several skaters are skating in Spokane. Rink will be up and running next season.

Presidents Report: Dean suggests IAHA look into funds to send the Vice President with the President to USA Hockey meetings to meet and learn the process and associate names with faces.

Courtney Welsh has marketing information available to all teams at no cost.

USA Hockey's "GROW the GAME" states numbers are down nationwide. Emphasis is on retaining current players and recruiting new players. February 12-14, 2010 is the "Hockey Weekend Across America" anyway an association can get new people/families skating, there are incentives for associations to "Grow the Game" from USA Hockey. There is a matching grant from Rocky Mt. District to host an adult tournament. Nicole Perkins (Sun Valley) will be attending the Rocky Mt. Women's meeting October 3 and would be happy to take any other Idaho associations information/ questions/concerns with her.

MOTION by Bev Hott to Send Vice Presidents with President to USA Hockey Mtgs.,
Seconded by John Heinrich, motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Report: Rex Andersen is the new Treasurer and learning quickly, Rex supplied a balance sheet for current funds and the 2 checks he has written so far. Dean suggested a "clean audit" with the change over of new treasurer, discussion regarding the benefits of completing an audit, Several stated Wally did a great job providing a detailed budget at every meeting. Question of who does the tax returns. All agreed it would be prudent to protect both Wally and Rex to do an audit.

MOTION by Bev Hott to Authorize Rex to take the lead on getting an audit of the last five years and get annual taxes completed. Seconded by Jim Disanza, motion carried unanimously.

Add to the May meeting agenda: get Treasurer working on taxes for November 1.

Each association should forward all contacts with names, numbers, and email, necessary from their organization to Dean so he can update his list and communicate with the current officers.

Grant Info;

- Rocky Mt. District to give \$2,000.00 matching grant to assoc hosting Adult Tourney.
- Rocky Mt. District to give \$2,000.00 matching grant to state for "Grow the Game" following the guidelines set for "Grow the Game".

Tom Lehto suggested IAHA apply for the grant and then offer up to \$500 to each association for "Grow the Game" activities that meet the criteria.

IAHA will offer each association up to \$500 for Grow the Game activities by providing receipts and meeting the dead line of March 31, 2010. No apps accepted after March 31.

MOTION by Nicole Perkins to use the Idaho Falls receipts to apply for the RMD grant of \$2000.00 and put it in the general fund this year to be decided at the May meeting the disbursement through out the associations. Seconded by Bev Hott. Motion carried unanimously.

Each association should still submit all receipts for equipment and training of goalies to IAHA for possibly future grants.

Adult Championship- Boise City has put on the tournament in the past, its a lot of work, very little profit, and Boise does not want to do it again. This will be reviewed at next meeting. John Heinrich and Jeremy Mylymok will form a committee to review the possibility of an Adult Championship. (Approx 40 teams)

MOTION by Nicole Perkins that she will organize a state tournament to use grant 4 thru RMD for a Women's Tournament this season. Seconded by Bev Hott, motion carried unanimously.

Registrars Report; Tom Lampl sent an email to all association clarifying the regulations for High School Hockey Skaters.

USA Hockey would like to eliminate teams carrying copies of birth certificates. Tom proposes a form listing the names and birth dates and the President or Registrar of that association affirm and swear it is true.

Policy Change – Each association Pres or Registrar will submit a list of names of skaters and their birth dates subscribed and swore they are true and correct.

MOTION by Bev Hott State of Idaho adopt (Dean will provides the language for policy change) seconded by Nicole Perkins, motion carried unanimously.

Tom Lampl has the form Colorado uses and will get it to all IAHA associations. Joe Doyle (Web Master) will follow up with a link on USA Hockey site.

Complete On line Registration is easy to use, registrars get a spreadsheet and cyber sport file. State has embraced on line registration.

CEP – Mike Lehto will take care of day to day stuff and Tom Lampl is still in charge of it. The major change in CEP is education; basically we will limp thru this year to accommodate new changes in education. Changes include:

- better job of educating
- attend clinics specific to the age group the coach is coaching.
- continuing education component
- after this season, coaches will only be able to take one coaches clinic per year. Basically if a new coach wants to coach Peewees, he/she will take first year coaching (level 1) and be able to coach Peewees but is expected to take level 2 the following year until requirement is fulfilled to the appropriate level.

Scheduled Coaches training dates and locations;

Level 1-Sunday October 11 Boise

Level 1-Saturday October 17 Idaho Falls

Level 2-Saturday October 17 Boise

Level 2-Sunday October 18 Idaho Falls

Level 3-Sunday October 18 Boise

Level 3-Sunday November 1 Idaho Falls

Level 1-Sunday November 1 SV

Level 2-Saturday November 14 SV

Level 3-Sunday November 15 SV

Mike will cancel a clinic if not enough sign up and will get in touch with those enrolled ASAP.

This year, any new Girls coaches need a level 3 to coach, they can take levels 1 and 2 this year and get a temporary card certifying them to coach but must get level 3 the following year. Basically a coach can get one temp card ONLY once, must comply with further training the following year. Mike Lehto will take the lead on coaching levels.

ACE Report; Steve Walsh reiterated Dean's comments on needing current contact names and email addresses each year as positions change to assure the right info gets to the right person. All associations need to have an ACE Coordinator; Steve only has 5 associations with known ACE coordinators. Other associations that do not have current ACE listed with Steve are NOT in good standing in IAHA and could suffer repercussions such as:

- Cannot participate in state tournaments
- cannot vote at IAHA mtg
- cannot receive grant money thru IAHA

*Steve needs to know every associations ACE Coordinator by October 20, 2009.

At the May mtg the first thing done is establishing if a quorum is present, the second thing will be reviewing associations I good standing. Policy states each association is required to inform the President of IAHA a list of officers, positions, and email address.

Referee/Official Report: Tom Taylor read Bobby's letter to the group regarding rule changes and enforcements that will occur this season. Tom will get copies of ref training. Highlights from Bobby's letter;

- Do not collect any money at seminars; there have been episodes of embezzlement. Collect another way at another time.
- Rule change 304© Protective equipment, no ripped breezers (pants) can use tape. Potential 10 min misconduct.

-Rule 403(b) and 405(a) Major and match penalty. See rule book

-Rule 409(b) calling of penalties.

-Rule 601(I,2) Abuse of Officials and other misconducts

Point of emphasis, situations in front of the goalie where one pushes another after the whistle, DON'T wait until the other retaliates and put both in, but if you do, put the initial aggressor in for 2 additional minutes.

Risk Management- Brad Andrews has done a good job.

Web Master Report; George Cole all is well, he will get your info on that you give him ASAP. Please get George a list of current officers and their emails.

georgecole@cableone.net

American Development Model – Joe Doyle gave the group an in depth presentation of current philosophy and blending National Hockey values with USA Hockey values. Both entities have a common interest and that is getting and keeping more kids on the ice.

Tier Declarations – Dean needs to know what associations will have Tiers.

\$500.00 deposit for all divisions going to the State Tournament. State Tournament will be in Boise Feb 19-21, 2010.

MOTION by Jeremy Mylymok to host state tournament in Boise Feb 19-21, 2010.
Seconded by Jim Disanza, motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Bev Hott to host High School tournament in Idaho Falls weekend of Feb 26, 2010. Seconded by Jim Disanza, motion carried unanimously.

Player Development Camp – Nicole Perkins discussed possible reasons why numbers are low. Looking at changing dates and better marketing.

MOTION by Nicole Perkins to have the Player Dev Camp March 5-7, 2010 in Boise with Idaho Falls being the second choice if Boise has scheduling conflicts. Seconded by Jim Disanza, motion carried unanimously.

Transfer of Players – players need a release from their home team to transfer to another. Players must not owe home team money or have any unresolved disciplinary issues. Receiving team needs a copy of the release. Each association is allowed to govern if they allow players to transfer.

MAY MTG DATE May 15 in Boise.

Approval of minutes from May 2008 will be deferred to the May Mtg.

Meeting adjourned 3:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Amy Berasi