



PNAHA Annual Spring/Summer Meeting

June 14, 2014

Red Lion [Wenatchee](#)
1225 N Wenatchee Ave
Wenatchee, WA 98801

President, Gordon Brown, called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

1. Sign-In

- ◆ Sign-in sheets distributed and are an official record with these minutes. Voting delegate sign-in sheet completed with the following delegates present: PNAHA President – Gordon Brown; 1st PNAHA Vice President – Adam Speer; 2nd PNAHA Vice President – Rob Azevedo; Secretary/Treasurer – Debbie Didzerekis.
- ◆ Member Organizations: EYH – Jerry Weir; IEAHA – Dave Nieuwenhuis; KVHA – Danny Lorenz; MLYHA – Lew Wagner; TAHA – Rob Kaufman; SJHA – Kris Wilson; SKAHA – Doug Ross; SAYHA – Brad Moon; TCAHA – Tyler Nostrant; VYHA – Bob Knoerl; WAHA – Tami Gurnard; WCAHA – Ted Ritter; WWFHA – Colin Nurse.
- ◆ Member Teams: YAHA – Paul Kelley.
- ◆ Member Organizations not represented – KCAH – Jay Miller; Winthrop – Nigel Mott.

2. Introductions

- ◆ Personal introductions made by the PNAHA Board of Directors and special guest Dru Hammond, Pacific District Director.

3. Confirmation of Current Members

- ◆ All associations provided the necessary paperwork and documentation to maintain member in good standing status. A number of associations are missing the following documents from their governing documentation, “Whistle Blower”, “Record Retention”, “Conflict of Interest” and a “Physical and Sexual Abuse/Screening Policy”. Many governing documents have not been updated in many years and it is a recommendation that a committee be assigned the task of helping each association with review of their governing documents, to ensure they are up to date with current USA Hockey and PNAHA guidelines.
- ◆ Winthrop has asked to be reduced to a Member team due to their current situation.
- ◆ The review committee also recommends that Yakima be changed to member organization from member team as they have met the necessary requirements.

4. Minutes of Last Meeting

- ◆ Reading of the January 4, 2014, PNAHA Annual Winter meeting minutes. Gordon Brown came back to the minutes in order to give everyone a moment to review them at lunch since they did not get sent out prior to the meeting. A Motion *[to approve minutes]* by Doug Ross (SKAHA), seconded by Bob Knoerl (VAH). Motion passed.

5. Treasurer Report

- ◆ Debbie Didzerekis (PNAHA Secretary/Treasurer) presented copies and reviewed the January – May 2014 Treasurer’s Report. Ending balance as of May 31, 2014 is \$84,481.09. A Motion *[to approve Treasurer’s Report]* by Rob Kaufman (TAHA), seconded by Doug Ross (SKAHA). Motion passed.

6. Special Guests – Donna Kaufman, Dru Hammond and Steve Stevens

- ◆ Donna Kaufman was unable to attend the meeting.
- ◆ Dru Hammond reported on her trip to the USA Hockey Annual Congress meeting in Colorado Springs, CO. June 4-7, 2014.
 - ◆ Rule 411, penalties will follow the player, if a player plays on multiple teams the coaches will need to have good communications.
 - ◆ Elections were held and Charlie Fuertsch from Pacific District will replace Peter Lindberg as the Vice President/Legal Council.
 - ◆ The Look-up line, ice hockey’s first warning track; is an adjunct to decreasing the risk of head and catastrophic spinal cord injuries. USA Hockey okayed it’s use but it is not required nor recommended. The Look-Up line does not affect the speed, intensity or heritage of the game of hockey, and does not require new playing rules directed at the player, it is simply a way to bring awareness of the dangers in that zone. There are some videos that were shown at annual congress, which will be available at a later date, which rinks/associations could run to explain what it is and the importance of awareness for Heads Up Hockey.
- ◆ Steve Stevens was unable to attend the meeting.

7. Nominations for Elections (PNAHA Secretary/Treasurer and 1st Vice President)

- ◆ A nomination [for Secretary/Treasurer of Debbie Didzerekis] by Tami Gurnard (WAHA), seconded by Rob Azevedo (PNAHA 2nd Vice-President). A 2nd and 3rd call for nominations was made for secretary/treasurer and no other nominations were made. *Affirmation passed with all in favor.*
- ◆ A nomination [for 1st Vice-President of Adam Speer] by Danny Lorenz (KVHAAH), seconded by Doug Ross (SKAHA). A 2nd and 3rd call for nominations was made for 1st Vice-President and no other nominations were made. *Affirmation passed with all in favor.*

8. Officer's Reports

- ◆ **Coaching Director Report – Rob Kaufman**
 - **Level 4 Clinic:** He encouraged everyone to send as many Level 3 coaches as possible to the Level 4 Clinic. It will be held in Seattle, June 20-22, 2014 at the Seattle Airport Marriot. This is a rare opportunity for us to have the Level 4 in Washington. There will be a lot of great speakers and hockey professional at this clinic and all Level 3 that can attend should attend. They can take about 85-90 registrations and it is filling up as of this meeting there were 75 coaches registered.
 - **Level 5 Clinic:** The Level 5 clinic will be in Las Vegas, August 21-24, 2014 at the Marriott Las Vegas Resort and Spa. This is a great opportunity for those Level 4 coaches that want to take that extra step in their coaching education. This clinic is a great opportunity to further your hockey knowledge and it will have some of the biggest names in current and past NHL coaches, owners and former players in attendance. To complete this course you must turn in a thesis on a subject that you choose about hockey. Adam asked if it is possible to get a list of the number of level 5, level 4 and level 3's in PNAHA as an information tool for comparison with other districts.
 - **State Development Camp:** The camp for the coming year will be held Jan 31-Feb 1, 2015. He requested that associations make sure to keep this year's dates open for Bantam/Midget teams and request they not travel to tournaments on that weekend. Rob will be having the first meeting for the development camp in September this year with a goal of identifying top players. Adam Speer asked that PNAHA provide talks on opportunities in hockey while the camp is going on. Rob expressed that he would like that but that would entail additional volunteers to put that on and get the speakers. Adam Speer volunteered to coordinate this function for this coming camp.
 - **Pacific District Select Camp and Results May 2014 (San Jose):** Our players did well, there were very few in the top 5-10 percent. Select 15 was comprised of all California, [1 Washington player, Dominic Vlaha](#), and 2 Alaska players. Select 16 was comprised of California, 2 Alaska and 1 Washington player, Hunter Alden. Select 17 was comprised of 7 California, 3 Alaska and 1 Oregon player, John Keith Anderson.
 - **Local Clinics:** None schedule yet. Rob is looking for an east side instructor from either Tri Cities or Spokane or any association on the east side. It would help with getting training setup quicker. The requirements are a Level 4 with significant experience to take on the training role. Rob would work with the candidate for a couple of years before [having](#) them do the trainings on their own.
- ◆ **Girls/Women's Hockey – Cindy Dayley**
 - Cindy was unable to attend but sent her report via email. The girls state camp was a great success. More girls attended than ever before. Washington State sent 17 girls to the district camp. The District camp had a new setup then past years. Several NCAA D1 coaches were on the ice with the kids and an Olympian was also an evaluator. 1 player from Washington State was picked as the 3rd alternate for the National Camp. The 2015 state camp details are TBD.
- ◆ **Supervisor-of-Officials – Ben Staehr/Tony Milles**
 - Ben Staehr reports that that the state tournament went well. They utilized a lot of younger officials, which worked well. The Level 4 will be in Wenatchee. Ben and Tony will be attending instructor training in April. Steve Stevens reported from Annual Congress that there were no rule changes. He also noted there was a significant increase in Abuse of Officials penalties across the board. Ben reminded everyone that a 601(f) is an automatic 1-yr suspension. A reminder should be given to coaches, parents and players so they are aware of the suspension related to 601(f). The official's seminars will be posted on USA Hockey under Officials. Tony had nothing additional to add.
- ◆ **Registrar/Risk Manager - Ed Imes**
 - Registrar materials are available for association registrars. There is a new system this coming season that is web-based. No longer CyberSport. The new system is available to use from smartphones, laptops, tablets, and any device you can access a webpage on. There was discussion on how to get the association

registrar's to the September meeting so Ed can go over the system with them in the round table seminars. Last year only 3 registrars attended the meeting. It was suggested that a webinar be done so they can attend it without traveling to Wenatchee for just that morning meeting for 1 hour. Everyone is asked to make an effort to have his or her registrar at the September meeting for training on the new registration program.

◆ **League Commissioner – Tami Gurnard**

• **2013-2014 League Results:**

- League Champions (Squirt – Seattle Jr. Admirals Red, PeeWee TII – Sno King Jr. Thunderbirds, Bantam TII – Sno King Jr. Thunderbirds, Midget TII – Kent Valley Selects)
- State Champions (Squirt Gold – Seattle Jr. Admirals Red, Squirt Silver – Sno King Jr. Thunderbirds (Coach Harris), PeeWee Tier II Red Division – Spokane Jr. Chiefs A, PeeWee Tier II Blue Division – Spokane Jr. Chiefs B, PeeWee B – Tri Cities Jr. Americans, Bantam Tier II – Sno King Minor (Team Seattle), Bantam B – Spokane Jr. Chiefs, Midget Tier II – Spokane Jr. Chiefs)

- **League Banner Distribution:** League banners were presented to the associations listed above.

• **Preliminary Count of Teams for 2014-2015:**

- Tier II: Squirt (10 League, 2 Non League), PeeWee (8 League, 2 Non League), Bantam (8 League, 3 Non League), U16 (2 League), U18 (7 League, 1 Non League)
- Tier I: PeeWee (2), Bantam (2), U16 (3), U17/U18 (1)
- B: PeeWee (4 League, 1 Non League), Bantam (3 League, 2 Non League), U18 (2 League)
- Please make all teams aware of important deadlines related to league and other important dates on the PNAHA website under Action Calendar. She needs declarations from associations as soon as possible, schedules also need to provide her ice templates and rosters. Depending on the tiering proposal later in the meeting teams need to be aware that they will be possibly splitting costs if they play each other outside of league.

◆ **Safesport – Doug Ross**

- If an association has members that are lawyers, law enforcement officers, child protection advocates, they should be highly encouraged participate in the association safe sport program. The ruling from USA Hockey at annual congress is that no matter what coaches want or think, there is a mandatory male/female dressing time in the locker room with which they must adhere to. If coaches are not following that rule and the locker room monitoring rule they are putting associations at risk. All coaches and managers must be Safe Sport certified and the current deadline is October. Safe Sport module is available all the time. Must complete module every 2 years. Coaches need to be done before September.
- Locker room monitors must be Safe Sport certified as well as screened. Anyone that has “regular” access to the kids need to have completed the Safe Sport module. This includes all board and key volunteers. There is no cost for the module.
- If there is a Safe Sport incident, please report it immediately to Doug Ross at safesport@outlook.com.

◆ **Adult Hockey – Andy Cole**

- No Report, Andy was not in attendance.

◆ **ADM – Doug Kirton**

- Doug was away in Colorado [to help coach the 14u multi district camp](#); he will send his ADM report to be sent via email to the board.
- There is a need for an ADM coordinator on the east side, it was suggested Wenatchee/Tri Cities or Spokane find someone to take this role on.
- Gordon Brown asked Kris Wilson from Seattle Jr to discuss the NARCE training he attended. Kris explained the training was highly beneficial for hockey directors. They discussed skill development for our hockey programs. USA is 2nd in numbers of players in hockey behind Canada. Directors got good info on where you want to take your program and the need to focus on skill development at squirts instead of systems as one example. He explained that you can't teach flow to squirts [as](#) they do not have the skills to transition in those drills. Ted Ritter of Whatcom inquired on parent education for the small area skill development. Adam Speer asked about the ability to have the USA Hockey ADM presentations available to associations for educating parents.

◆ **1st Vice President – Adam Speer**

- Adam stated the west side had a player discipline issue, where a house/rec player received a 601(f) (player pushed off a referee). The discipline committee looked at what was best for the player in question. After working with Steve Stevens, the player's 1-year suspension can be commuted if they attend the Level 1 officials training. Steve Stevens is working with the referees to consider the call when making it to make sure they are assessing the correct penalties.
- A short discussion regarding the increased abuse of official calls, Dru Hammond referenced page 87 of the USA Hockey Annual guide, which states it is a 1-year suspension and probation thereafter, if affirmed by the discipline committee.
- ◆ **2nd Vice President – Rob Azevedo**
 - Rob stated there were a few disciplinary issues on the east side. Rob mentioned that associations should make sure they give players the opportunity to attend the development camp.
- ◆ **President – Gordon Brown**
 - **8U exception request was approved by USA Hockey** – A committee needs to be established for recommendations for reporting structure and consequences for violations. The 8U exception is on the PNAHA website under Rules.
 - **By-Law/Policy Change Recommendations from USA Hockey**
 - PNAHA has not explicitly adopted all the latest Safesport policies. Gordon will be recommending modifications to the rules where PNAHA will automatically inherit all USA Hockey policies and the publishing them on the website will not require a motion/vote. Voting structure was discussed. Each member has to be represented with a vote in how the affiliate board is formed. We can keep the same structure as today with some tweaking of the wording. Proposal to be sent out. Each association elects and/or selects the PNAHA representative who comes to the meeting to cast the vote for that association. Gordon encourages the reps to make sure they are discussing any issues to be voted on with the association prior to the PNAHA meeting to ensure they are voting as the association directs.
 - **Pacific District Meeting May 17, 2014 Portland**
 - Bobby Freeland Grants for \$2500.00 opens on July 1. Grants should be used for programs that grow the game; [Pacific District will be more selective to ensure that the grant is going to start new efforts to grow the game, not to maintain a program.](#) ~~Pacific District will be more selective as more associations are now applying for these grants.~~ There is a link on the PNAHA action calendar to this grant.
 - Disable hockey clinics happening in CA and AK and Sno-King has started a sled hockey program and will be announcing clinics and a try-sled-hockey-free event for the summer. Josh Sweeny from the USA Olympic Sled hockey team attended the meeting and brought his gold medal. He is based in Portland and available to help with the program development.
 - **USA Hockey Annual Congress June 3-8, 2014 Colorado**
 - USA Hockey is allocating resources for helping associations with starting new programs such as sled hockey, girls programs, beginner programs, etc. NHL teams are helping in their areas with grow the game initiatives. Hopefully we can use some of their ideas. Total Hockey y Grow the Game contest – Sno-King won third place – 10 sets of gear. Model Association applications are still open – apply at ADMKids.com.
 - Penalty reporting system will be used for tracking progression penalties on players. They are working out details on who will have access for looking at this system.
 - New [Registrar](#) system will be going online for this coming season.
 - National tournament information will be removed from the Annual Guide and placed into a separate tournament guidebook. PNAHA will look at doing a similar tournament guide to better explain to associations what their responsibilities are when they host a PNAHA tournament. Gordon already has a draft he was working on and will send that to a few key people and work on getting that completed. There was discussion that setting standards for what trophies are given to teams and all the associations requirements will help to better standardize the overall feel of the PNAHA tournaments no matter which venue is hosting the tournament.
 - USA Hockey is promoting using Sport Ngin for their websites. There are some key features tied to the new system such as screening, electronic score sheets and tournament reporting. With the screening system through Sport Ngin if there are not flags to be reviewed it will [automatically](#) post when a coach, manager, and volunteer has completed the screening. This will reduce workload on

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the Safesport coordinator who has to manually post the approved screen list and speed up the time it takes to let associations know who has been cleared. Electronic score sheets will allow you to use an inexpensive table to keep the score instead of the paper score sheet during the game. This can improve stat recording and filing of the score sheet with your league commissioner. They are still working on this feature. Tournament hosting feature allows you to keep tournament information brackets, results and all information on the tournament online to help increase communication during the tournament. More information on this feature is coming.

- There are 3 new Jr teams in the state as part of the Northern Pacific Hockey League (NPHL), they are Cheney Ice Hawks playing out of EWU Recreation Center, Wenatchee Wolves playing out of Town Toyota Center and Tacoma Hockey Club playing out of an arena TBD. This could diminish the numbers of midgets playing in youth associations.
- Cooperative agreement between Seattle Jr and Sno-King has been dissolved and will not be in effect for the coming season.

9. **Tournament Updates** – Addressed in the League Commissioner’s report.

10. **Old Business**

11. **New Business**

- ◆ **Elections** - Completed after nominations, there was only 1 candidate per position.
- ◆ **USA Hockey America’s High School Showcase Report – Pam Preisser.** No Report was provided.
- ◆ **Block Grants.** Suggestions on how to use the funds to benefit PNAHA associations. Discussions on purchasing posters related to Heads Up hockey program, Mini Nets, Rink divider boards. It was discussed that each association has different needs when it comes to the funds.
 - A Motion [to have each association or member team apply for funds up to \$1200.00 and turn in receipts by January 31 to be reimbursed] by Tami Gurnard (WAHA), seconded by Kris Wilson (SJHA). Amendment to proposal [After January 31, those that applied for funds can apply for additional fund that are unused, to be approved by executive board] by Tami Gurnard (WAHA), amendment approved by Kris Wilson (SJHA). Discussion regarding the left over funds is used to help cover PNAHA programs and operational expenses. Adam Speer asked if there are short falls that need to be covered, his feeling is that we should give the money to the associations. Tyler Nostrant raised the concern that smaller associations such as Yakima, Inland and Whatcom may not be able to cover the initial capital outlay and could we provide a provision for that? Those associations confirmed they could cover the expenses until reimbursed. Adam Speer called the question. (13 in favor, 1 opposed) **Motion Passed.**
- ◆ **ADM Director:** Addressed in officer reports in the previous section.
- ◆ **Sno-King ByLaw Proposal.** (See Attachment 1) A Motion [to approve the Bylaw Proposal] by Doug Ross (SKAHA), seconded by Tyler Nostrant (TCAHA). Discussion regarding examples of how this proposal would help the group. Example given was a Squirt proposal put forward in the September meeting a couple of years ago, which resulted in formed teams having to be reformed. The intent is to allow associations to plan for the season without changes in September after some teams have formed. USA Hockey has clear deadlines on when rules can be changed and this is to allow PNAHA to also have a similar deadline. Opposition to this proposal states that the collective board has on different occasions voted down proposals in September that did not result in benefits to the entire group. This bylaw would prevent the board from making changes that maybe necessary in September. **Motion Failed.**
- ◆ **Tacoma Proposed Tiering Changes.** A Motion [to approve the Proposed Tiering Changes] by Rob Kaufman (TAHA), seconded by Tami Gurnard (WAHA). See Attachment 2.
 - Noted changes are:
 - Section 1.0 Foreword Spelling correction in the last paragraph, changed wholistic to **holistic**
 - Section 1.0 Foreword Subsection 1.0 Tiering Process, added “**The following process will be used when there are more than 8 teams in a division that will be participating in the State Tournament**”.
 - Section 1.0 Foreword Subsection 1.0 Tiering Process item A, added after national bound team (**Bantam 13&14, Midget 15&16 and Midget 17&18**).
 - Section 1.0 Foreword Subsection 4.0 Tiering Fees for Non-Host Games deleted the following text from the end of Item A. **in accordance with the following payment schedule:**
 - Section 1.0 Foreword Subsection 4.0 Tiering Fees for Non-Host Games added a period after fee in Item A. Added at the end of the paragraph in Item A “**Each team will be charged ½ of the actual cost of the game which included the cost of the ice and referees.**”

- Section 1.0 Foreword Subsection 4.0 Tiering Fees for Non-Host Games deleted sub items a. **PeeWee - \$60 per team per game, b. Bantam - \$70 per team per game, and c. Midget - \$80 per team per game.**
- A friendly amendment was proposed by Tami Gurnard of Wenatchee and accepted by Rob Kaufman (TAHA), the friendly amendment was withdrawn after further discussion.
 - A Motion [*add change proposed language in Section 1.0, subsection 1.0 to read as follows: **The following process will be used when there are more than 8 teams wishing to be considered for participation in a division that will be participating in the State Tournament***] by Tami Gurnard (WHA), accepted by Rob Kaufman (TAHA). Discussion regarding section 3, all agreed that if there were no tiering because of number of teams then no mid-season tiering would be needed. (11 in favor, 2 abstain) **Motion Passed.**
- ◆ **B Tournaments** – Discussion sent back to the Competition ~~Committee~~Committee consists of League Commissioner, SJHA, SKAHA, TCAHA, EYH, KVHA, Tacoma and SAYHA, currently consisting of PNAHA League Commissioner, SJHA, TCAHA, EVH, KVHA, SKAHA, SAYHA.
- ◆ **PNAHA Supplying Tournament Banners** - A Motion [*to approve PNAHA purchasing state tournament banners*] by Tami Gurnard (WAHA), seconded by Adam Speer (PNAHA 1st Vice-President). Cost is approximately 85.00 per banner currently. All in favor, **Motion Passed.**
- ◆ **Tournaments** - Discussion sent back to the Competition Committee consists of League Commissioner, SJHA, SKAHA, TCAHA, EYH, KVHA, Tacoma and SAYHA, Committee, currently consisting of PNAHA League Commissioner, SJHA, TCAHA, EVH, KVHA.
- ◆ **Sno King Rule 14 Amendment Proposal** - A Motion [*to approve Sno King Rule 14: “If the dissolution of a Cooperative Association Player Development Agreement – Minor/Major Teams (Co-op Teams) were to occur, all players registered on those Co-op Teams in the previous season would be eligible to return to the last Member Organization that they were registered with before joining the Co-op Teams and excluded from the 5 (five) Player Rule. ”*] by Doug Ross (SKAHA), seconded by Tami Gurnard (WAHA). (3 in favor, 8 opposed, 2 abstain), **Motion Failed.**
- ◆ **Kent Rule 14 Amendment Proposal:** A Motion [*to approve Kent Rule 14: Addition Item 3 stating “A player from a Member Organization, one that does not offer a Member Team at the “B”, Tier-II or Tier-I level for a particular player’s age, transfers from his/her Member Organization to participate on a Member Team to the “B”, Tier-II or Tier-I level with another Member Organization will be excluded from the 5 (five) Player Rule when he/she returns to his/her home Member Organization.”*] by Danny Lorenz (KVH), seconded by Doug Ross (SKAHA). Friendly Amendment [*“A player from a Member Organization, one that does not offer a Member Team at the “B”, Tier-II or Tier-I level for a particular player’s age, transfers from his/her Member Organization to participate on a Member Team to the “B”, Tier-II or Tier-I level with another Member Organization will be excluded from the 5 (five) Player Rule when if he/she returns to the organization which he/she played prior to joining the high level team. to his/her home Member Organization.”*] by Adam Speer (PNAHA 1st Vice-President), accepted by Danny Lorenz (KVH) and seconded by Doug Ross (SKAHA). (2 in favor, 7 opposed, 2 abstain) **Motion Failed.**
- ◆ **Tyler Nostrant – Squirt Festival** A request was made to run the Squirt Festival the same as the other State Tournaments and a lot 15 minute stop clocks instead of 12 minutes. **PeeWee State Tournament** – Tyler requested that we move the PeeWee’s into the Squirt Festival. That would allow the non-nationally bound teams to be their own festival, essentially splitting the tournaments to 2 and 2.

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12. Association Reports

- ◆ **Kent – Changing the name of PNAHA** – It would be nice to change the name of PNAHA to something like Washington Hockey or Washington State Hockey or Hockey Washington. There is feeling that PNAHA isn't recognized as a State organization. Dru Hammond pointed out that previously PNAHA covered both WA/OR and Northern Idaho. There is the possibility that Oregon could come back under PNAHA in the future. It is something that can be investigated to see what it would cost monetarily to change the name.
- ◆ **Tacoma** – has had success growing their beginner program they are now up to 40-50 players and 3 sessions at the beginner level.
- ◆ **Vancouver** - Bob wanted to thank everyone for their help last year with the PeeWee team and getting them into the state tournament. They are seeing a growth in the Mite/Squirt levels, they now have 60 players in those age groups
- ◆ **Wenatchee** – They are facing a year of not enough Bantam's to field a full rep team. So if anyone has Bantam players that would be willing to play for Wenatchee please direct them to Tami. They are happy to work out some arrangements with them.
- ◆ **Western Washington Female Hockey** – They are looking for friendly approaches to keeping girls in hockey as they have been seeing a decline in the female hockey player numbers.

13. Score Sheets

- ◆ Score sheets will be available at the next meeting. Please email Debbie if you know how many packages you would like so that we can make sure to purchase enough score sheets for the September meeting.

14. Spring/Summer Meeting

- ◆ The PNAHA Fall meeting will be held on **Saturday, September 13th, 2014**, at the Coast Wenatchee Center Hotel & Wenatchee Convention Center In Wenatchee, located at 201 N. Wenatchee Avenue. Room reservations can be made by calling (509) 662-4411. All members are reminded to make their room reservations as soon as possible, as availability is always limited at the hotel due to high occupancy during the hockey season. **Reminder: The roundtable meetings will begin at 9 a.m. sharp, with the regular meeting starting after conclusion of the roundtable meetings.**

15. Adjournment

- ◆ Doug Ross (SKAHA) [*motioned to adjourn*], seconded by Tami Gurnard (WAHA). **Motion passed.** Meeting adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

ATTACHMENT 1:

**PNAHA
2014 ANNUAL SUMMER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
BYLAW PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM**

PROPOSAL NUMBER:	2014 SM - BYLAW Proposal #1
NAME OF PUBLICATION:	PNAHA BYLAWS
MAIN HEADING:	BYLAWS
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CURRENT WORDING:

SPECIFIC WORDING OF PROPOSAL: (as it should appear with new wording-**bold**, Deletions-strikethrough)

ADDENDUM #2 RESTRICTIONS ON CHANGES OF TEAM COMPOSITION RULES

No new rules, nor rule changes, related to team composition, may be made for the upcoming season any later than at the annual Summer meeting.

INTENTION OF PROPOSAL:

To ensure that all associations and teams understand the rules that they are composing their team(s) under well before the start of the season.

Submitter: Doug Kirton

Proposal directed also to:

ATTACHEMENT 2:

September 17, 2011

[REVISED "PNAHA 11-12 LEAGUE SCHEDULING & TIERING
PROCESSREAUTHORIZATION PROPOSAL"(Approved 9/17/2011)]

1.0 Foreword

During the PNAHA fall meeting held September 11, 2010, the PNAHA President requested that the PNAHA Competition Committee evaluate the following tabled proposals and subjects identified during the PMAHA League Committee meeting:

- Seattle Junior Hockey Association Tier I Proposal,
- Seattle Junior Hockey Association Tier II Proposal,
- Seattle Junior Hockey Association U18 Proposal,
- League Sub-Committee Topic - Player Development Requirements,
- League Sub-Committee Topic – Squirt Travel Team Player Selection,
- League Sub-Committee Topic – Early Season Scheduling, and
- League Sub-Committee Topic – Pee Wee Division Planning.

A Competition Committee Meeting was held on October 29, 2010 in Lynnwood, Washington. The committee agreed that a more ~~wholistic~~ holistic approach to these issues would be more appropriate. In addition, the committee agreed on the following mission statement:

"It should be our goal to develop our players at a local level in support of the USA Hockey ADM program."

Further work will be devoted to these topics during the season.

1.0 Tiering Process – The following process will be used when there are more than 8 teams in a division that will be participating in the State Tournament.

- A. Each Tier II national bound team that has been identified by their association representative at the PNAHA Annual Fall meeting must participate in a September/October Tiering Event. The event shall be scheduled in a manner that ensures each team plays each other team within their respective age division a minimum of once.
- B. In addition to games played during the September/October Tiering Event, All non-league Tier II teams shall play an additional game against each PNAHA Tier II League team during the Mid-Season Tiering Event and/or by participating in ad-hoc games **scheduled/approved** by the PNAHA League Commissioner.
- C. All tiering games will be played using PNAHA league rules.
- D. The PNAHA League Host Hotel Policy will be strictly enforced. An approved tiering event Host Hotel list will be provided to participating associations at the Fall PNAHA Meeting.
- E. Every effort will be made to schedule home games for each participant in an equitable manner to avert team charges for the event. However if due to travel and scheduling issues it is necessary to schedule two non-host teams to play at a non-home rink, each team will be charged in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section 4.0 of this document.
- F. **September/October Tiering Event** will be conducted in the following manner:

- a. During the September/October tiering event all declared Tier II national bound teams will play each other once.
- b. The tiering event will consist of a minimum of two weekends, one being conducted on the west side of the state and the other being conducted on the east side of the state.
- c. No team will play more than 5 games in a weekend with a goal of four games each weekend.
- d. No team will play less than two games when traveling more than two hours to the event location.

G. Mid-year Tiering for Non-League Teams will be conducted in the following manner:

- a. All non-league TII teams will be scheduled to play each PNAHA league team once during September/October tiering event.
- b. All Western Washington non-league Tier II teams will play an additional mid-season game scheduled/approved by the PNAHA League Commissioner against each Western Washington PNAHA Tier II league team prior to January 15th.
- c. All Eastern Washington non-league Tier II teams will play an additional mid-season game scheduled/approved by the PNAHA League Commissioner against each Eastern Washington PNAHA Tier II league team prior to January 15th.
- d. All cross-state Tier II non-league teams will play each Tier II league team once in games scheduled during the Mid-Season Tiering Event held on the first weekend in January. If teams cannot be provided a minimum of two games during the Mid-Season Tiering Event weekend, these games will be scheduled/approved by the League Commissioner and completed prior to January 15th.
- e. Mid-season tiering games scheduled by the League Commissioner maybe rescheduled with the written approval of the League Commissioner, however all games must be completed prior to January 15th.
- f. The location for the cross-state Mid-Season Tiering Event will be determined and communicated to the teams by December 1st.

2.0 League Tiering

- A. Upon completion of the September/October tiering event, the PNAHA League Scheduling/Competition Committee will place each declared league team in one of the following two league divisions based upon the results of the tiering games:
 - a. **PNAHA Tier II League** – Teams that qualify for this level of play, compete in the PNAHA Tier II playoffs to determine who will advance onto the Tier II National Tournament. These teams are considered national bound teams.
 - b. **PNAHA B League** - Teams compete with each other during the season providing a more equal skill level. This group would be comprised of those teams that traditionally have played in our B level of league play and Tier II teams that have been tiered to this division based on their level of competition during the September/October tiering event. These teams participate in their own state tournament at the end of the season

- B. B. All PNAHA Tier II League Teams are eligible to participate in the PNAHA Tier II playoffs provided they have completed all tiering and league commitments.
- C. C. The winner of the PNAHA B League will be invited to participate in the PNAHA Tier II playoffs provided they have completed all tiering and league commitments and meet the eligibility requirements for a national bound tournament team.
- D. D. Based on a given tournament structure, teams will be seeded into the PNAHA Tier II playoffs based on their league record.
- E. E. The PNAHA League Scheduling/Competition Committee will make every effort to reduce travel across the mountains during the league scheduling process.

3.0 Non-League Tiering

- A. Teams that opt out of PNAHA league play and wish to participate in the Tier II PNAHA playoffs must play each team in the Tier II league division a minimum of 2 games to determine for which tournament they are eligible to participate. This is accomplished through participation in the September/October Tiering Event and mid-season tiering games scheduled in accordance with this proposal.
- B. If a team has not met the above requirements, they are not eligible for entry into the PNAHA Tier II playoffs.

4.0 Tiering Fees for Non-Host Games

- A. If an association/rink agrees to host tiering games consisting of non rink or association affiliated teams, the association may request that the participating teams pay a fee. ~~in accordance with the following payment schedule:~~ Each team will be charged ½ of the actual cost of the game which included the cost of the ice and referees.
 - a. ~~Pee Wee — \$60 per team per game~~
 - b. ~~Bantam — \$70 per team per game~~
 - c. ~~Midget — \$80 per team per game~~
- B. This request must be made in writing to the PNAHA President at the Fall PNAHA Meeting.
- C. Teams will not be allowed to participate in tiering activities until these fees are paid to the host association.