



IAHA SPRING MEETING Minutes

May 1, 2021

Zoom Meeting

In virtual attendance: Voting Directors: Kory Scoran (BAHA-IIW), David Asher (BYAHA), Shawn Luteyn (CDA Academy)/Mike Schroeder (alt. CDA Academy), Matt Creighton (CDAHA), John Rifelj (IFYHA), Vince Hughes (KYRO), Brian Thomas (LCAHA), Kaila Tanner (MYHA), Chet Hervey (PYHA), Jared Bragg (SHA), Heather Daves (SVYH)/David Reid (alt. SVYH), Miranda Milligan (TVFYH), Johh Heinrich (IAHA President), Sarah Benson (IAHA Treasurer), Joanne Tirocke (IAHA Secretary), Lee Ann Schlake (At-Large Director). Others in attendance: Bobby Noyes (IAHA RIC), Shelly Lehton (IAHA Registrar), Mark Enegren (IAHA SafeSport Coordinator), Darla Thompson (RMD Registrar), Donna Kaufman (USAH), Kathleen Smith (USAH), Jeremy Foss (PYHA), Meghan Smith (CDAHA), Tyrell Trout (PYHA), Kevin Carnahan (CDAHA/PYHA)

9:30 AM – Introductions, Call to Order, and Quorum – J. Heinrich
Only 1 voting director missing at roll call, have quorum.

Approval of January 26, 2021 Meeting Minutes – J. Tirocke

Amendments to minutes were requested in the NTB Tier II Playdown section, and included the vote count (5-7) on the Tanner motion to have the Tier II 14U playdown on February date, and the motion was defeated. Who motioned to have the playdown in March had been missed. Kaila Tanner claimed it. Following the passing of the motion to hold the playdown in March, it was Jan-Erik who reported that the 14U Jr. Steelhead Coach was declining to play in March and was withdrawing. David Asher confirmed that with the withdrawal that the Academy would get a bye to Nationals and Jan-Erik answered, "Yes." Motion to approve the amended minutes by Lee Ann Schlake, second by Sarah Benson. Minutes approved with none opposed.

Membership Committee Recommendations – J. Tirocke

Committee reported on new applications: none for new member organizations and 1 for Associate Membership was received on time, with the required payment, and was recommended by the Committee for approval. Heather Daves spoke about the Idaho Viper program and answered questions. The Associate Member teams would be operating independently from IAHA but are committed to being a team of the strongest Idaho girls using best practices and working with IAHA. The Viper schedule would strive to avoid IAHA girls tournaments to allow local team participation to come first. They would move forward with team even if not granted approval to use "Idaho" in the team name (policy requires that the Board approves the use of Idaho in team names).

Motion by Kaila Tanner to approve the Viper teams as Associate Members, with John Rifelj seconding. Motion passed with no opposition.

Motion by Heather Daves to use "Idaho Vipers" as the team name for the new associate member teams, seconded by John Rifelj. Motion passed with no opposition.

RIC Report -B. Noyes

Bobby reported that the number of referees and new referees were lower than usual this past season. It is not known format seminars will take next year. Bobby is happy to communicate with people interested in becoming officials. Also can contact the head official at your local rink. McCall's not having USAH officials has been a little complicating. It is a rule change year. One comment that 1 week to complete the closed book test following was not enough time given that not stuck in class until you are done and test taken.

Registrar Report – S. Lehto/D. Thompson

State registrations were down overall and reflected the reduced number of adult registrations. Some divisions had an uptick in numbers (14U and 16U). The number of coaches, managers, and volunteers was down. Lots of unclaimed adults and it is too cumbersome to chase down where they belong individually. The increase in Invitational Tournament fees was emphasized: **\$250 payable to USA Hockey AND \$50 payable to Rocky Mountain District**. Discussion regarding the cost increase followed. The majority of tournaments are hosted for profit and because player fee increase did not pass, USAH looking to recoup funds. Miranda's letter to USAH was praised and it was felt that IAHA should submit a letter to the Affiliate President's group as well as USAH. Shelly's written report illustrates for the number of tournaments that Idaho hosts what the difference in costs will total. A discussion about Idaho leagues and the work which had been previously done by Joel Griffith and John Rifelj in support of a HS league occurred. League play would also help girls program. Due to time constraints, the discussion would be taken up offline in the form of committee (League Task Force: Sarah Benson, Lee Ann Schlake, John Rifelj and Kory Scoran taking the lead with the help of Kathleen Smith) work at a later date.

Motion by Heather Daves to have a letter signed by the IAHA Executive Board be prepared to send to USAH regarding the Invitational Tournament fee increase within 2 weeks. Miranda Milligan seconded. Motion passed with 1 opposed. (Use abstention only when there is a conflict of interest.)

Action item: Heather Dave and Miranda Milligan will collect statements from the associations to include in their letter during the 1st week following this meeting and will send out a draft for comments at the beginning of the 2nd week.

Darla Thompson continued the Registrar report noting issues which had occurred

during the season including players appearing scoresheets but not on the team's official roster. Players not on a roster do not belong on a scoresheet. Coaches' responsibility to know who is on their roster. Incorrect scoresheets are invalidated and cannot be used for credentialing. Rostered team names should match what appears on scoresheet and vice versa (easier from NTB perspective). Do not use nicknames on scoresheet, use USAH registered name. Position and jersey number are required on NTB roster. If registrar is not given the position, can indicate player, goalie, or player/goalie. Roster as many players as the type of roster will allow. Leave players on the roster if they are injured and expect to return, if removed from roster, game count will reset to their last addition. The roster link provided to the coach updates automatically throughout the season in response to changes in the roster (easy, only need 1 link). Donna K. expects to address the administrative side of coaching with the CIC and coaches. There will be a Registrar's meeting during Congress (open meetings) and one for Idaho registrars coming up.

Action item: Head Coach's administrative responsibility document.

SafeSport Report – M. Enegren

283 people screened and 8 flagged. Flagged individuals were cleared or cleared with conditions. There are no current investigations. The AZ incident was forwarded to AZ.

Membership Committee Recommendations (cont'd) – J. Tirocke

Renewal applications were reviewed with 3 associations still resolving requests (Boise IIW, BYAHA, PYHA). The internal development program requirement for associations was discussed and clarification was sought on determining factors. Leaving the definition broader allows for different development styles. Having, for example, a squirt B team with practice players who are developing their skills to play higher level hockey, would qualify as an internal development program.

Motion by Heather Daves to approve the renewals of the Member Organizations recommended by the Membership Committee and the others pending successful submission of their requested documents. Shawn Luteyn seconded. Motion passed with no opposition.

Update on Associate Members: Still awaiting a response from Polar Bears Girls Hockey regarding their intentions for the upcoming season.

Break 11:20 – 11:30 PM MDT

1. Association Reports – All – Written reports were received by Kory Scoran (Boise-IIW) supplemented his written report by indicating the success of the Fireblades (19U) team getting to Districts/Nationals and the Ice Pilots first appearance at the State Tournament. He's looking forward to getting back to normal next season, house and travel, and thanked Lee Ann for her efforts in securing ice and to everyone for games and allowing teams to participate at States. Segue back to HS Task Force and HS Commissioner, possibly Colin Himmelstein or Joel Griffith.

Miranda reported that Willy Warner had stepped down as Coach in Chief for Teton Valley. Good organization growth and re-organization of positions.

Let Joanne know of updates needed to IAHA association pages on website.

2. President's Report – J. Heinrich

John thanked everyone for all the committee work and Donna and Kathleen for their expertise. Journey has been ok and look forward to the changes improving things for years to come.

3. Treasurer's Report – S. Benson

Down about \$6000 in player fees this season. PDC (non-budgeted) had strong revenue this year. Both State and HS Tournaments were self-sustaining. Block Grant money received but not dispersed because associations did not apply for it.

Associations are leaving money on the table.

Background screening reimbursements were budgeted but less than half of the associations requested reimbursements. Associations will be given 2 additional weeks to submit requests for reimbursements. Don't leave money on the table!

To utilize funds available, IAHA is proposing an internal grant, Idaho Growth Fund and money can be used to reimburse screening fees, mini nets, equipment, guest coaches, etc. This grant will be very open in types of things it will support. It was suggested that the affiliate fee could be reduced to keep funds from accruing but that change needs to be voted on in January and implemented before April 1 when the next season's registration opens.

Motion by David Asher to create a multi-use \$1000 grant that can be applied for by associations. Seconded by John Rifelj. Motion passed with no opposition, creating the Idaho Growth Fund.

D. Reid has replaced H. Daves as Sun Valley Voting Director for remainder of meeting

Motion by Vince Hughes to approve IAHA budget as submitted by Sarah Benson with an increase of \$13000 for the Idaho Internal Growth Fund. Seconded by Kory Scoran. Motion passed with no opposition; IAHA budget approved.

4. Coach-in-Chief Report – J. Heinrich for J. DiSanza

Written report distributed and attached. Players numbered 129 at PDC. It has been suggested to hold 2 development camps, one in the North and one in the South part of state. Discussion can occur at the fall meeting.

5. Girls Hockey Report – L. Schlake/S. Benson
Written report distributed and attached. Girls activity were down this year, not all associations reported and may need some contacts (look for email)
 - Boise Fireblades
 - Idaho Falls – Bill Combo
 - McCall - Kaila Tanner
 - Polar Bears – inactive
 - Salmon –
 - Sun Valley –
 - PYHA – working with Polar Bears to take up girls program
 - CDAHA - Tier II – Elliot 14U, 2 teams this year
 - Teton Valley – 8U started in 19 -20, 14U added in 20 – 21, working on earlier promotion for season
 - Idaho Vipers 16U at Nationals and 19U played 36 games this year.
 - CDA Academy – Girls camp in May, and recruiting for 19U girls team (not tiered)

Women’s Seminar, including a session on Grants, was attended by Lee Ann and Sarah. Donna and Kathleen were also in attendance. Action item: Lee Ann will share resources from conference.

6. ADM Report – K. Scoran
With rink shut down, didn’t get out and not much done this year. PDC run as ADM with practices. Anybody do half-ice 10U? Rifelj used half-ice for 10U all the time. Boise Squirt Tournaments will be half-ice, 5 v 5. Half-ice mandatory for 10U PNAHA teams, but not when playing out of state teams. Kory will work with youth volunteers to teach them how to run ADM drills. Board crews for moving half-ice boards.
7. Grant Report – J. Heinrich for J. Knudson
Written report submitted and attached. All 6 applications approved. Spend \$1200, get \$800 back is incorporated in budget for next season. Jeff is stepping down and IAHA will need a new coordinator. Block Grant meeting is upcoming, and Donna will know more after that meeting with the foundation. Jared Bragg is looking for volunteer to fill in behind Jeff Knudson.
8. Disciplinary Report – S. Benson
Disciplinary Committee has met for 4 hearings in April and have 4 decisions. One has been notified. No Match Penalties this season! Committee is set for the time being. Kathleen has been impressed with the committee and how well the committee has been run.
9. Old Business
Background Screening Reimbursements – J. Heinrich/S. Benson
Discussed under Treasurer’s Report

10. New Business

A. Eligibility Proposal – D. Asher

Written proposal distributed and attached.

If Tier II team is going to represent Idaho, then kids should come from Idaho. Team must be comprised of greater than 80%. Eighty % chosen to allow more Idaho players to participate at Tier II level. Previously, only 2 out of state players were allowed. Some associations in better position to get players from out of state. On 20 person roster, greater than 80% is only 3 players. Is there enough talent in Idaho to bypass the 50%? Would teams qualify if Jr. Steelheads not going? Tier II teams will play other Tier II in state to determine who will go to Nationals. Need to make sure that teams are not more than 50% non-Idaho resident players. Border town players are playing with closest association and should get consideration for the years they have played in Idaho. Focus on residency as starting point. Academy weekend travel teams (16U, 14U) are intending to be Tier II teams so will need to have 11 Idaho players on the team to meet the more than 50% rule. Discussion is different than who can register in the affiliate and be a member [greatest percentage of where players reside (Annual Guide, III. Team Membership and Registration, C 1. p. 140) unless agreement is reached between affiliates].

All teams from this previous season had been approved.

Questions: Do you want to restrict Tier II teams? How do you want to restrict them?

Motion by Shawn Luteyn to deny the proposal brought forth by BYAHA Jr. Steelheads and to follow rules set forth by IAHA ByLaws and USA Hockey. Seconded by Matt Creighton. Motion passed with 2 opposed and 1 abstention. Proposal is defeated.

Motion by David Asher that any NTB team declaring as a Tier II team, the team must be comprised of 51% Idaho residents. Seconded by John Rifelj.

Discussion: Under existing rules, the greatest % rule would allow for a team with 40% Idaho players, and 30% another state, and another 30% from a third state to be an eligible team. Utah does not allow out of state players except at Tier I generally (a lot more restrictive rule).

Shawn Luteyn had to leave and Mike Schroeder will assume the Academy vote.

Original language in Jr. Steelhead proposal tried to address border players who are playing at closest available association and classifying them as Idaho players (vs out of state). Thirty miles

could be a good distance from border.

Amended motion by Matt Creighton that that any NTB team declaring as a Tier II team, the team must be comprised of 51% Idaho residents.

An Idaho resident is someone who lives within Idaho or within 30 miles of the Idaho border within a US border state. Seconded by David Asher.

Discussion: ID doesn't send many teams as Tier II. Applicable to Girls teams as well? Yes.

Amended motion was defeated. Four in favor, and 7 opposed. Three voting present.

Discussion of voting process and meaning of the amended motion. Kory requests reconsideration of the amended motion.

Reconsidered amendment passes with 1 in opposition.

Motion on the floor: that any NTB youth or girls team declaring as a Tier II team must be comprised of 51% Idaho residents. An Idaho resident is someone who lives within Idaho or within 30 miles of the Idaho border within a US border state.

Motion passes with 7 in favor and 5 opposed. Three voted present.

Break for 10 minutes, returning at 2:15 PM.

B. Policies and Procedures (Tournaments) – J. Heinrich

Revision of HS and State Tournament Policies and Procedures has been in progress. Final

HS - C iv – same team to State Tournament and HS Tournament – communication needed to let Board know. Will need a separate 18U roster and a different HS roster for participation in the respective State Tournament. Change “approve” to “notify”. “Team must notify ... ”

Roster deadline – “must be certified ... on or before 12/31”. To account for player movement during Winter Break, allow rosters to be certified by January 15th.

CEP - Helmet rule – not needed on bench. Left in because in the Annual Guide. Teams will practice before Nationals and coaches will need to wear helmets on the ice or face a 30 day suspension.

Requirements to host – e ii. Host and Tournament committee work

together on schedule.

Ice surface clear and visible, with all lines, creases, faceoff dots visible.

Declaration form with signature of Association President, all money due in a single check and all declarations on same form.

Discussion of when a team can withdraw without penalty. If a team withdraws between declaration and the Winter Meeting, the team still owes \$500.

Clarify – players cannot play on more than one team in a State tournament weekend.

Host must have a continual block of ice available for the maximum declared teams for the tournament weekend, Thursday through Sunday.

Motion by David Asher to approve the Youth and Girls State Tournament and High School Tournament Guidelines with the changes made today. Seconded by Miranda Milligan. Motion passes with no opposition. Updated Guidelines are adopted.

- C. Membership Committee Recommendations – J. Tirocke
Discussed earlier.
- D. Invitational Tournament Fee Increase – All
Discussed during Registrar report. Send input or previous correspondence with USA Hockey to Miranda. Collect responses for a week and then allow a week for drafting.
- E. Committees for 2021-2022 Season – J. Tirocke
Move to after elections.
- F. Post-Season Event Dates - J. Heinrich
Ok to postpone bids until fall meeting, will know more by then about upcoming season. Motion by Sarah Benson, for post-season events to be held with IAHA States first and HS Championship second, on 2 of the 3 following weekends, not to conflict with Districts:
 - February 25 -27, 2022
 - March 4 - 6, 2022
 - March 11 – 13, 2022and PDC will be held March 18 – 20, 2022. Seconded by Lee Ann Schlake. Motion passes.
Action item: Create a form for interested associations to apply to host a post-season event.
- G. Other New Business
Some proposed rule changes were highlighted including length of penalties

in relation to length of periods, mandatory suspensions, and number of allowable penalties before player/coach earns a game misconduct. If there are any comments on the suggested rule changes, get them to John Heinrich by Friday, May 21 for the Affiliate Presidents Meeting with the Rule Committee on May 25.

11. Date and Venue for Fall Meeting

Motion by Vince Hughes to hold the Fall IAHA Meeting by Zoom conference on Wednesday and Thursday, September 1 and 2, 6 PM MDT, 5 PM PDT. Seconded by David Asher. Motion passed.

12. Election of board positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer, At-Large Director

This agenda item was moved to non-candidate, Joanne Tirocke.

1. Nominee for President: John Heinrich

Motion by Kory Scoran to formally close nominations. Seconded by David Asher. Joanne Tirocke moved to elect John Heinrich by acclamation. Seconded by D. Asher. Congratulations John Heinrich, IAHA President.

2. Nominee for Vice President: Sarah Benson

Motion by Kory Scoran to formally close nominations. Seconded by John Rifelj. Joanne Tirocke moved to elect Sarah Benson by acclamation. Seconded by Miranda Milligan. Congratulations Sarah Benson, IAHA Vice President.

3. Nominee for Treasurer: Kaila Tanner

Motion by Kory Scoran to formally close nominations. Seconded by John Rifelj. Joanne Tirocke moved to elect Kaila Tanner by acclamation. Seconded by Miranda Milligan. Congratulations Kaila Tanner, IAHA Treasurer.

4. Nominee for At-Large Director: Lee Ann Schlake

Motion by Kory Scoran to formally close nominations. Seconded by John Rifelj. Joanne Tirocke moved to elect Lee Ann Schlake by acclamation. Seconded by Kory Scoran. Congratulations Lee Ann Schlake, IAHA At-Large Director.

Floor was yielded back to John Heinrich.

13. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by V. Hughes at 3:46 PM. seconded by John Rifelj.



May 1, 2021

President's report

Members,

It's been an exceptional year. Meaning there were a lot of exceptions in the 20/21 season. The good news is there was a season. We all had challenges in getting kids on the ice. Without the exceptions many Associations would not have played games or practiced. I am very appreciative for all the extra effort, creativity, and patience while working within the restrictions of our state and local governments.

Changes, improvements, clarifications, upgrades, and updates will be coming to the 21/22 season. We have accomplished so much in the past year with the help of Donna Kaufman and Kathleen Smith. The IAHA Bylaws, Policy and Procedures, and other documents have been revised and updated. I've been quite pleased with the relationship and progress our committees have made in the past year. With the direction of Donna and Kathleen we have been able accomplish more than I thought we would in this amount of time. Our volunteers taking their time to help make Idaho youth hockey the best it can be is another tribute to our hockey program.

There will be some discussion at the May meeting on how IAHA should govern the Tier II programs. The good news is as we grow so does the skill level of our athletes. Does Idaho have enough Tier II level players to support one, two, or possibly three Youth and Girls Tier II programs? What impact will it have on the smaller local associations? Will those kids still be able to participate in their home house/rec teams and attend the State tournament if their Tier II team does not to attend? Supplementing teams with players from out of state to complete rosters will be on the agenda as well. Please consider all views on the issue and remember this is about what's best for Idaho youth hockey.

All Tier II teams must declare for our State and National tournaments, and I would like to see all Tier II teams play each other at least twice during the season prior to the State tournament. There were some missed opportunities last season and I think we can do better in the future.

I'm looking forward to our annual meeting. As always there will much to discuss and decide. Please review all the documents prior to the meeting, and feel free to give me a call if you want more information or clarification on any of the agenda items.
Thank you.

Best regards,

John B. Heinrich
President
IAHA

Coach-in-Chief's Report

Jim DiSanza



Player Development Camp

Despite the hardships this year, including the necessary COVID protocols and the movement of the date to March, the camp was a strong success. The entire staff would like to thank Sarah Benson and the crew at Champion Ice Arena for their support. Thanks go to Kory and his coaching staff for doing a great job under difficult circumstances. Thank you, also, to John Heinrich, who handled the difficult registration duties and constant communication with me throughout the weekend.

Participants (Including Exemption Requests): 129 players

Boys: 94

Girls: 35

The results were posted to the IAHA Website far later than I would have liked. Unfortunately, one state affiliate did not complete their camp until March 11th, meaning that the final negotiations for additional slots did not take place until about March 21st.

Kory and I are submitting a proposal for a new method of providing some compensation for the coaches who have been working to make the camp a success.



REFEREE IN CHIEF: 2021 Spring Report to IAHA

Bobby Noyes: Idaho State Supervisor of Officials

<u>Registration:</u>	Year 20-21	Year 19-20	Year 18-19	Year 17-18	Year 16-17
Total	134	207	198	200	205
Complete	106 (79%)	156 (75%)	172 (87%)	168 (84%)	149 (73%)
Incomplete	28 (21%)	51 (25%)	26 (13%)	32 (16%)	56 (27%)
<u>Level Breakdown:</u>	Year 20-21	Year 19-20	Year 18-19	Year 17-18	Year 16-17
Level 1's	33	102	108	85	67
Level 2's	26	47	49	35	26
Level 3's	33	49	32	43	50
Level 4's	14	9	9	5	2

Comments:

Numbers were way down, of course, due to covid 19 concerns and some rinks shutting down. The number of level 4 officials, however, rose considerably. This perhaps was because all seminars were run via zoom and as a result there was no skating test (everyone was given a “pass”) and all closed book tests were more like an “open book” test.

Incident Reports:

This was the eighth year of incident reports. (for major, game misconduct and match penalties).

2020-21 Season - 41 submitted, with 0 match penalties.
14U starting checking seems to be a “learning curve”.

With breakdown as follows:

Adult - 10	14U - 10	16U - 7	18U - 5	HS - 5
12U - 2	19U - 1	10U - 1		

2019-20 Season - 48 submitted, with 4 match penalties
2018-19 Season - 68 submitted, with 4 match penalties
2017-18 Season - 72 submitted, with 9 match penalties
2016-17 Season - 68 submitted, with 3 match penalties
2015-16 Season - 70 submitted, there were 6 match penalties.
2014-15 Season - 61 Submitted, there were 6 match penalties

Development:

Brendan Gormley (Boise) went to the District tournament in March.

Seven individuals were nominated for the District Advanced Officiating camp in Dallas, which happens May 20-23 in conjunction with the Player Development camp. Have not heard of any going, however.

State Tournaments:

State Association (Lehto/Marmo Rink): used 12 officials, from Boise, Hailey, Idaho Falls, Moscow, and 1 from Wyoming.

State High School (Campion Ice House): used 13 officials, from Boise, Hailey, Idaho Falls, Moscow and 1 from Wyoming.

Over the course of the two tournaments, 21 evaluations of various officials were completed and submitted to USA Hockey. Much discussion and (hopefully) learning was a result of this endeavor.

Seminars:

All officials were asked to attend zoom meetings for their seminar requirement. This meant one could attend almost any zoom seminar offered in the country, as well as in our district. What we offered as Idaho as host is listed below. For the normal "closed book test" which typically occurs in the final 30 minutes of a seminar (for level 2, 3 and 4 only), the official would receive an email invite from USA Hockey right after the seminar finished and would have one week to complete the test. This meant they would do it unmonitored and could refer to their rulebook during the process. Note: It was nice to have people from all over the country participate and contribute to discussions, though attendance numbers were lower than anticipated. Part of that could be the dates, we often have more later into the fall, when hockey has either started or is about to start.

Aug 18 - level 3, 7-10 pm MST

Aug 20 - level 2, 7-10 pm MST

Aug 22 - level 1, 10 am - 5 pm MST

Sept 22 & 23 - level 1, 7-10 pm MST (note it is two consecutive evenings, must attend both nights)

Sept 27 - level 2 & 3 combined, 9 am - noon MST

Oct 7 - level 4, 7-10 pm MST

We shall see what USA Hockey says for this coming season. The zoom format was good for convenience and inter state and inter district participation. It was not beneficial for brand new officials as the on-ice component was absent in most cases.

Respectfully Submitted by Bobby Noyes

Players

Age	19+	17-18	15-16	13-14	11-12	9-10	7-8	1-6	Total
20/21	1516	165	292	342	351	343	312	327	3648
19/20	2117	137	281	306	365	366	399	487	4458

Coaches/Volunteers

	Coaches	Managers	Volunteers	Other	Total	Unclaimed
20/21	433	70	253	18	775	812
19/20	462	75	397	21	955	619

Tournaments

- 20/21 Tournaments sanctioned, 62 at \$50.00 per tournament \$3100.00
19/20 season 50 tournaments sanctioned
- Next year same tournaments sanctioned will cost \$18,600
Difference of 15,500 or a 500% increase.

Tournament Fees Season 21/22

Two separate checks

\$250.00 paid to USA Hockey

\$50.00 paid to Rocky Mountain District

Total \$300.00/tournament

Flex Rosters

2016/2017 Technical Bulletin

“Flex programs are no/check, ages can be mixed and rosters optional. Your registry will allow you to identify Flex Program players on the Personnel Screen – click on edit player in the upper left. You can then create a report of flex participants. Or, a flex roster can be created to provide a listing of participants. The roster would not be submitted or approved.”

From Darla

Flex rosters are intended for teams just to get together and play for fun with other teams on a flex roster. They should not be used for teams wanting to play in tournaments.

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USA Hockey has created four distinct categories within its structure to help meet the needs of the youth player. As the primary provider of grassroots hockey across the country, USA Hockey believes everyone should have the opportunity to play hockey at a level that matches their passion for the game.

1. Learn to Play/FUNDamentals – This program is designed to meet the needs of the beginning player. Basic skills will be taught equally in a non-competitive environment. Fun, physical development and a sociable environment are stressed.

2. Hockey for Life (All Ages) • Flex Hockey – This program is designed to provide opportunities to play for enjoyment, fitness, relaxation and fellowship. The focus will be on creating a fun, safe environment where participants can be active in the sport of hockey with flexible participation commitment and varied playing formats and varied playing rules. •

Recreational Hockey – The backbone of youth hockey, recreational hockey encourages internal or “house league” play. Fun, physical development and a sociable environment are stressed

3. Travel (Beginning at 14U) – Qualified coaches teach higher-level skill development and team play for players within local associations who have the desire and ability for a more committed hockey experience. Balance of winning and sportsmanship is stressed, and travel for competition should be reasonable. Players should still receive equivalent playing time. Team objectives include local, league, state and national championships.

4. Select/High Performance (Beginning at 16U) – A high-level national program which draws from the very best players in programs across the country, then prepares them to play for the United States in international competitions

2021 IAHA Safesport Coordinator Report

GENERAL

This year saw few changes in how we are operating Safe Sport, except for our move to NCSI and a single screener for all USAH. This change has not impacted IAHA negatively and to date we screened 283 individuals. Eight of these were flagged at some point but as of now all eight have been cleared or cleared with conditions. The new system seems to be working well. Screens were steady through about mid-January when they tapered off. The total number of screens was lower than expected but with the covid virus and venues restricted or closed that was to be expected.

CURRENT INVESTIGATIONS

There are no current investigations, and there was only one major investigation of note which was completed in March and forwarded to USAH and IAHA for discipline.

RECOMMENDATIONS

We will continue to recommend that local Safe Sport Coordinators be as independent from boards of directors as possible to avoid conflicts of interest or the appearance of impropriety.

LOCAL PROGRAM AGREEMENT

Local programs are required to sign and adhere to a Safesport agreement. I will include a separate attachment to Joanne that needs to be signed and returned to the affiliate.

Report submitted by Mark Enegren, IAHA Safesport Coordinator

**Spring 2021
Grant Coordinator's Report to IAHA:**

2020-2021 Report

Out of all the approved local associations, we had six apply for the matching block grant for the 2020-2021 grant cycle due Jan 31, 2021. Those associations applying for the grant was CDAHA, Lewis & Clark, McCall, Salmon, Sun Valley, and Teton. For this grant cycle it was decided that IAHA would continue to match 2:3 for a maximum of \$800 for a \$1,200 purchase within the approved USA Hockey categories. All submitted grants surpassed the \$1,200 purchase requirement so each association qualified for the \$800 grant.

Submissions this year were very well documented and within the approved programs from USA Hockey. All of the submissions were also supported by current receipts, which is was also appreciated. While IAHA approved releasing funds before the Jan 31st deadline for early grant packages, only one association submitted early, all of the rest were submitted around the last two weeks of January. We continue to strive to get the grant money out to the association as quickly as possible.

Finally, I am recruiting to fill a replacement for the IAHA grant coordinator position at the Fall, 2021 IAHA meeting. If someone wants to raise their hand early, we can walk through the annual USA Hockey reporting process together. This is usually due in May/early June.

Respectfully submitted

Jeff Knudson, IAHA Grant Coordinator



IAHA Treasurer May 2021 Report

Enclosed you will find an update of our budget to actual, pending our fourth quarter as our fiscal year ends June 30th. A number of expenses for HS State and PDC will show up in the fourth quarter due to the timing of events, and billing. All three state events, although not budgeted, were under budget. We had six organizations apply for block grants this year, and we will be working through reimbursement for background checks.

Numbers for player registration in both youth and adult were down this year due to Covid. Although the expectations are that those will return to normal, there is some concern that with increased tournament fees adult players might opt out for registering for USA Hockey. That would have a significant impact on our budget.

IAHA is doing well financially. Friendly reminder; if you are to be reimbursed for anything we must have receipts and/or an expense report.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Benson

IAHA Treasurer

2020-21 Income/Expense

	July-Sept	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	April-June	**May-June				PROPOSED
INCOME	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Estimated	Year to Date	Budget	Difference	2021-22 Budget
Player Registration Fees									
Adult	2,008	13,920	900			\$16,828	\$20,000	-\$3,172	\$20,000
Youth	3,992	10,910	510			\$15,412	\$18,000	-\$2,588	\$18,000
PDC Revenue	-		8,275	9,486		\$17,761	Non-Budgeted Item		Non-Budgeted Item
State Tournament - Assoc Fees	-		13,220			\$13,220	Non-Budgeted Item		Non-Budgeted Item
State Tournament - High School Fees	390		16,750			\$17,140	Non-Budgeted Item		Non-Budgeted Item
Team Idaho Fees			250			\$250			
National Tournament Deposit	-		-			\$0	Non-Budgeted Item		Non-Budgeted Item
USAH Block Grant	10,658					\$10,658	\$10,800	-\$142	\$10,000
Misc Income	-		-	-		\$0	Non-Budgeted Item		Non-Budgeted Item
TOTAL INCOME	\$17,048	\$24,830	\$39,905	\$9,486	\$0	\$91,269	\$48,800	-\$5,902	\$48,000

	July-Sept	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	April-Jun					
EXPENSE	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter		Year to Date	Budget	Difference	2021-22 Budget
ADM/Coaches Training	-		-			\$0	\$500	-\$500	\$500
Background Checks	-					\$0	\$11,600	-\$11,600	\$5,000
CEP Trainings	-					\$0	\$500	-\$500	\$500
Fees Paid to Rocky Mt District	-		-			\$0	\$2,500	-\$2,500	\$2,500
Hearings - Penalties/Compliance	-					\$0	\$2,000	-\$2,000	\$2,000
IAHA Grants to Associations	-		4,800			\$4,800	\$12,000	-\$7,200	\$12,000
Impact license	-					\$0	\$1,000		\$1,000
Misc Expense			186	207		\$393	\$500	-\$107	\$500
Office Expense	-		37	365		\$402	\$200	\$202	\$200
PDC Expenses	-	390	144	13,433		\$13,967	Non-Budgeted Item		Non-Budgeted Item
Postage & Shipping	-					\$0	\$50	-\$50	\$50
Referee Training Expense	-					\$0	\$2,000	-\$2,000	\$2,000
State Assoc Tournament Exp	-		12,300	998		\$13,298	Non-Budgeted Item		Non-Budgeted Item
State High School Tournament Exp	-		5,331	9,431		\$14,762	Non-Budgeted Item		Non-Budgeted Item
State Meetings	-	-		345		\$345	\$500	-\$155	\$500
Travel									
District/National Meetings	-	300	-			\$300	\$3,500	-\$3,200	\$3,500
Officer				150		\$150	\$1,500	-\$1,350	\$1,500
State Meetings	-	-	-			\$0	\$1,500	-\$1,500	\$1,500
Total Exp	\$0	\$690	\$22,798	\$24,929	\$0	\$48,417	\$39,850	-\$32,460	\$33,250
NET PROFIT	\$17,048	\$24,140	\$17,107	-\$15,443	\$0	\$42,852	\$8,950	\$26,558	\$14,750

\$800/assoc

Bank Balance as of 4/27/21 \$118,098

** Best guess based on previous years

Membership Committee Report May 1, 2021

New Member Applications

No new Member Organization applications were received.

New Associate Member Applications

The Membership Committee has received 1 new application for an Associate Membership of 3 Idaho Viper teams (14U, 16U, and 19U girls hockey). The Committee finds the applications to be in order, received before the deadline, and with the required application fee. **The Committee recommends that the Board approves the application of the Idaho Viper teams and grants them Associate Member status in IAHA.** As a new Associate Member, the teams, according to IAHA policies outlined in our Guidebook, will need Board approval for the use of “Idaho” in their team names.

Renewal of Member Organizations

The Membership Committee would like to thank all the associations for their diligence in getting their documents in and their efforts to correct the deficiencies which were identified and communicated. The Committee is happy with the progress made.

The Membership Committee recommends that Coeur d’Alene Hockey Academy, Coeur d’Alene Amateur Hockey Association, Idaho Falls Youth Hockey Association, Kootenai Youth Recreation Organization, Lewis-Clark Amateur Hockey Association, McCall Youth Hockey Association, Salmon Hockey Association, Sun Valley Hockey Association, and Teton Valley Foundation Youth Hockey been approved as Members in Good Standing for the upcoming season.

There are a few outstanding requests which the Committee has yet to resolve:

BAHA – IIW: Rules and regulations. The Committee is looking for the information which will be made available to families involved in USA Hockey registered programs. It is requested that BAHA - IIW provide this information any time before or up to 30 days following rink opening in the fall. (Date dependent on rink opening.)

BYAHA (Jr. Steelheads): Internal Development Program – documentation showing association support to or work with a beginner program. If documentation from this past season is not available, a plan for how BYAHA will support beginner players in the upcoming season will be accepted and will be evaluated at next year’s review. BYAHA will have 30 days (by May 31) to submit either the documentation or the plan for an internal development program.

PYHA: Record Retention, Whistleblower, and Conflict of Interest Policies. PYHA will have 30 days (by May 31) to submit their Record Retention, Whistleblower, and Conflict of Interest Policies to the Committee. (PYHA’s documents were received only a few days ago and they have not had time to respond to their deficiency report.)

The Membership Committee recommends that when the above associations successfully complete their respective requests that they join the other Member Organizations in their Good Standing.

If the associations whose standing is dependent on further actions do not fulfill their obligations in responding to the Committee's requests, they will be on Probation and will be re-evaluated for compliance next spring.

If an association has no interest in meeting the requirements for a Member Organization, they can continue to operate as an independent organization as an Associate Member and will have representation under the At-Large Director. They will no longer have a voting Director on the Board.

Renewal of Associate Members

Polar Bears Girls Hockey Association: No renewal documents were received from the Polar Bears but they have communicated that they were looking to become inactive. PBGHA will have 30 days (by May 31) to submit a letter indicating their intentions for the upcoming season or to submit their renewal documents.

The Membership Committee looks forward to continuing to support our associations in any way we can. Please reach out if there is something you'd like help with.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Tirocke
Membership Committee Chair

Girls Hockey Report May 1, 2021

BOISE FIREBLADES – The season ended April 30. U12 & U14 had scrimmages, U19 participated and won the state tournament. We had many girls practicing, some straight out of Learn to Play

14 – 10 & Under

16 – 14 & Under

18 – 19 & Under

IDAHO FALLS – no update

MCCALL - In McCall we have 18 girls spread out from the various age groups. We struggle keeping girls in hockey after peewee. Without having an all girls team, it seems that most girls just give up. We currently have 4 girls that are practicing with the high school team. Of the four girls, two girls are playing with Team Idaho. The other two girls, this isn't an option. In the past some of the girls have joined the Fireblades in Boise. However, with only weeknight practices this had become a real challenge for many parents. Hoping to come up with something to keep these girls playing.

Girls Numbers:

4 - 13 and older

1 - Peewee

6 - Squirts

7 - Mite

POLAR BEARS - The Polar Bears shut the season down in Feb. Players left the program to play for PYHA, LCAHA, Coeur D'Alene, as well as Team Idaho after we couldn't get games.

SALMON – no update

SUN VALLEY - SVYH continues to grow Girls Hockey. We hosted 19U, 14U and 12U teams this past season. Due to Covid, we did not allow our teams to travel until after January. This prevented our teams from participating in some tournaments. We had many new to hockey girls join our program at all levels but the 19U.

Numbers from past seasons of U12/U14 and 19U teams:

2017-2018: U12/U14 – 22 players U19 - 17players

2018-2019: U12/U14 – 24 players U19 – 17 players

2019-2020: U12/U14 – 29 players U19 – 8 players

2020-2021: U12/U14 – 31 players U19 – 18 players

Girls and boys play together on our 6U, 8U and 10U teams. We had 28 6U and 8U girls and 11 10U girls registered in our program for 2020-21.

Unfortunately, there were no other Girls 14U teams in Idaho and so our team didn't have anyone to compete against at State Championships. We hope that will be different next season!

TETON VALLEY - had about 20 girls registered this year. Most in the 12U/8U category.

We hosted our Second Annual Girls Jamboree March 13-14. We hosted Mite through Bantam aged girls for a 2 day clinic/scrimmage jamboree. We intend to make this an annual event and hope to continue growing our numbers. This year we hosted 34 girls. We will continue to work on growing our program.

TEAM IDAHO VIPERS

Team Idaho had tryouts in Hailey, Idaho at Champion Ice House and in Coeur d'Alene, and sent notices throughout the state and posted them on the IAHA website. Team Idaho also added a 16U team to its roster, thereby having 3 teams: 19U, 16U and 14U. Team Idaho continues to require all its members to play with their local girls' teams (if there are any) to continue to develop with their home teams and support girls hockey in Idaho. Team Idaho was represented by girls across the state.

Team Idaho joined the Western Girls Hockey League (WGHL) in its inaugural season. Both the 19U and 16U team were able to travel to several tournaments for the WGHL as well as some additional tournaments. The 14U team was not able to travel as much and had some issues with numbers this season. All the players 2006 and older selected from the Idaho Player Development Camp to head to the District Camp (except 1 player and 1 goalie who played out of state) played for Team Idaho. All teams represented Idaho hockey well.

The 16U team won their Rocky Mountain District and earned a berth at the Girls Tier II National Championships which will be hosted in Denver, CO April 29-May 3.

Team Idaho is very proud of the tenacity, dedication, and teamwork of each player. We are unique teams with volunteer coaches, little practice opportunities, but a wealth of determination, grit and talent. We remain very competitive with other teams that are from much bigger organizations, have paid and dedicated staff, and play much more than we do. Again, we are very proud of all the girls have accomplished this season!



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Idaho Falls Youth Hockey Association – 2021 Spring Report

2020-21 Season Wrap up

The 2020-21 Season much like other associations around the country and state was challenging for everyone because of the pandemic. We had to make some tough choices to keep the Idaho Falls players on the ice from the start of the season which included cutting coaches and volunteers from within the rink in an effort to keep the kids on the ice. Although unpopular with some and we lost some families because of this decision, it turned out to be the correct decision as we were one of the only programs to skate during the entire pandemic. We were only down 13 players from the year before in total so I consider that a win with all things considered this year.

Our 2021-22 elections will be held starting in June and I expect some turnover this year from top to bottom. We are currently looking for our next coach in chief for next season. Herb Pollard is taking over for Mike Lehto as our safe sport coordinator and will continue in that role for next season.

We look forward to the start of the 2021-22 season and hope we can get back to some normality and hosting things like Try Hockey for Free again among other programs.

John Rifelj
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CDAHA 2021-2022 Season Report, April 2021

The Association has already begun our seasonal skates for the preparation of the coming hockey season. Our eight-week spring session has 160 skaters for our Mite through Midget age groups. As for our seasonal numbers, for the 2020-2021 season we had a total of 260 registrations, which is up from our 2019-2020 season of 217 total registrations.

Our Association is seeing a continual growth even throughout a COVID-19 year. We will continue our mission and continue to ensure that our kids are able to succeed both on and off the ice. We will do this by ensuring that no child is left behind and that kids of all skill levels are given the ability to play the great game of hockey.

We have begun planning our summer sessions and they will be starting in June. We were very excited to have an eight-week spring program that had only cost \$40 per child for the entire eight weeks. We are looking to beat that price for our eight-week summer sessions to ensure our children have the ability to get on the ice, even if families are having financial difficulties during this difficult time. Not only is this program for our kids, but also surrounding associations are able to come in and skate.

Best Regards,

Matthew Creighton

President



Salmon Hockey Association

Spring 2021 Report to IAHA:

2020-2021 Report

- We had a successful registration season, our registered youth players increased slightly with about 121 registered youth players. This is consistent with last year with a slight increase mostly in the mite division; overall we are also trending upward with registered adults.
- We had 5 registered teams (High School, U19 Girls, Peewee, Squirts and Mites). Both the High School team and our U19 Girls team played in the league in MAHA. Our Bantam Division only had 5 youth players and we would like to thank McCall for combining to create a team for our youth to play on.
- Our skating season went from mid-November - March 4 with approximately 89 teams playing 172 games in Salmon this winter, which is close to our 5-year average. We hosted teams from 5 different states this season.

2021-2022 Season and our summer off season

- We expect to field 5 divisions next season: Mites, Squirts, Peewees, High School and Girls U19. We're expecting to only have 8 Bantam youth players and once again will be looking for opportunities to combine with Bantam teams.
- We are expecting a similar skating season, tournament dates, and registered teams Salmon's head official and scheduler will remain the same as last year. Our new registrar Kim Nelson is quickly learning the procedures and we are excited for the upcoming year.

Visit www.salmonhockey.org for Association updates and information

Jared Bragg
President, Salmon Hockey Association



The Coeur d'Alene Hockey Academy for the 2020-2021 season fielded three teams. A boys U17 Prep team, two (U14, U16 weekend model teams). Essentially our Academy had 60 student athletes. Due to Covid and other circumstances we implemented a developmental skate for our Girls team/program for the entire season but opted out of game and season play.

2020-2021 season:

The Coeur d'Alene Hockey Academy completed a Boys U17 Prep Team. The team played a total of 32 games. In addition, we continued with both of our U14 and U16 teams. Both teams were successful and proud to represent Idaho in Nationals.

Spring Update/Spring Hockey:

With our rink being open through Covid 19, we were able to continue through the season and merge into our spring and summer camp programs. We currently have over 125 participants registered, and our camps are continuing to fill up quickly. Our recruiting process for this upcoming season seems to be optimistic, with many customers inquiring.

Towards the end of last season, we hired a new head varsity coach (Ken Hoey) for our U17 Prep Boys team, who has contributed immensely towards the Academy with his knowledge of USA Hockey, CSSHL, and several programs in the US, Canada, and other countries.

Freddie Beaubien has taken over the girls U18 Girls Prep team/developmental girls skate this year and continues to be the head goalie coach for the Academy.

In conclusion, we are extremely excited that our current state bylaws and policies and procedures have been updated as we are looking forward to an easier process this coming season. We have continued to upgrade our facility and equipment and offer competitive programs while offering discounts and refunds for individuals effected by Covid-19.

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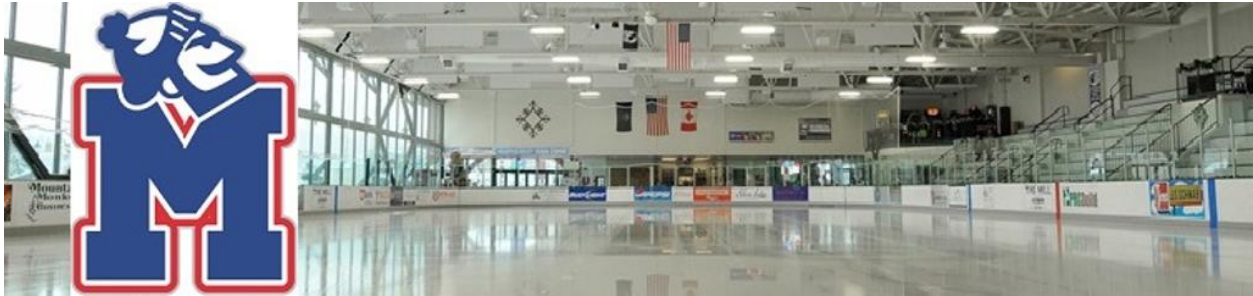
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McCall Youth Hockey 2020-2021 Season Report

All things considered MYHA had a great season. We had 98 athletes register. We were proud to have a High School Team for the first time in a long time. Here is the breakdown of registration numbers by birthyears

2003	4
2004	7
2005	4
2006	2
2007	10
2008	10
2009	7
2010	10
2011	11
2012	16
2013	5
2014	9
2015	3

Aside from Corona Virus, finding refs has been our biggest struggle. Our rink converted to AAU from USA Hockey. Along with this most of our refs either did not feel comfortable reffing or did not renew their USA Hockey certifications. This meant that almost all of the refs had to come up from Boise. The teams had to accommodate lodging and meals to facilitate. This was an unforeseen financial burden on the program. We are hoping to start a incentive program to encourage refs to get USA Hockey certified.

Looking on to next year, we will open our registration July 1. We are going to be having OverSpeed come and skate with the kids and coaches in August and November. We found this to contribute to the success of our program this season. It was equally beneficial to the volunteer coaches as the athletes themselves.

Respectfully,
Kaila Tanner / MYHA President



Sun Valley Youth Hockey
Spring 2021 Association Report

SVYH successfully navigated the season through the global pandemic. Our program grew to 267 participants which is an 11% increase. We were able to have an uninterrupted season with access to only 1 sheet of ice at the Campion Ice House. Although we didn't allow our teams to travel in the first half of the season, we gradually allowed travel for each of our teams in the second half of the season. Here are some highlights from the season.

- Continued partnership with Hailey Ice and OverSpeed Hockey.
- Scholarship awards were increased.
- SVYH sent three teams to IAHA State: Bantams, U19 Girls, and Midgets. Our Bantam and Midget teams won and our U19 Girls came in second. We also had a 14U Girls team but there were no other teams in the state to play. We hope this will not be the case next season and that girls' hockey will continue to grow in Idaho.
- Continued to see growth in our girls' hockey programming with many new to hockey players.
- We hosted the IAHA High School State Championships at Campion Ice House. Our HS team won.
- The High School team is headed to USA Hockey HS Nationals in Omaha, NE
- With our partners at OverSpeed, we hosted several coaching seminars on and off the ice.
- Hosted several goalie coaching clinics and clinics for goalies.
- Sent a survey to constituents, 107 replied. Follow up in progress.
- Many of our players participated in the PDC camp and are moving on to the next camp.
- 15 of our girls participated on the 14U, 16U, and 19U Team Idaho Vipers teams. Our 6 16U girls will be headed to Nationals.