

# Minutes for UAHA State Board – Monthly Meeting

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A Board meeting of UAHA was held on March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019, at the Maverik Center. It began at 6:45 pm.

## Attendees

See Attached Attendance Sheet. Guests introduced themselves.

## Approval of Minutes

- Minute for February were reviewed. No corrections to the minutes were noted. Jason Empey made a motion to approve December minutes. Motion was seconded by Brian Clements. Motion was approved unanimously.

## Regular Session

- Setting Travel Level tryout schedule - Derrick read from Mike Adamek. Discussion regarding development over the summer and ADM model. Additional discussion about advantages of combining with Tier II tryouts. Further discussion about Steiner closing for the summer making ice harder to find. Dewey Reagan made a motion setting Travel Level Tryouts for 14U and above for June, allowing Organizations to combine with Tier II Tryouts if applicable; and all other Travel Level Teams to hold tryouts in August or later. Doug Anne 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Majority Approved. Jason Empey Opposed.
- Proposal to amend the Policies and Procedures to requires High School to have their playoffs completed the last Sunday in February. A brief discussion laying out some of the difficulties that arose this year between the High School Playoffs and the Tier II Tournament. Each group has players who play on both teams making impossible for there to be overlapping scheduled games. It was explained that Tier does not know how many teams they have and how many games will be required until October. High School knows in July. Some of the ideas presented, have Tier do their playoffs right after MLK, consider having HS D2 do their games after Tier. No motion made. Agreed to continue discussion at the April meeting.
- Review Tier Team Applications
  - Tier I Applications
    - WCR 18U, 16U, 15, 14U
    - WCR Representatives indicated that if the talent level was not Tier I level, they would drop age groups
    - Dewey Reagan made a motion to approve all Tier I applications, with the condition that all outstanding fees to UAHA be paid. Jason Empey 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
  - Tier II (Youth)
    - There was discussion about the applications received from DCYHA and from the Eagles. Eagles submitted an application that only had Travel Level Teams. DCYHA submitted an application with Tier II through D1/D2 level teams. It was noted that Eagle are under the DCYHA organization. It was also noted that Eagles/DCYHA may need to be reminded about the UAHA policy that required them to go to a single identifying team/logo when “Jersey” changes are made.
    - Tier II Applications

Organization	18U	16U	14U
• Davis County Youth Hockey Association	1	1	1
• Wasatch Back Amateur Hockey Association	1	1	1
• Wasatch Mountain Amateur Hockey Association		1	1
Total Teams	2	3	3

- Dewey Reagan made a motion to approve all Tier II applications, with the condition that all outstanding fees to UAHA be paid. Jason Empey 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
  - Tier II Girls Applications
    - Utah Lady Grizzlies 19U & 14U
    - Possible change request back to UAHA if ages of committed players allows for different age groups
    - Dewey Reagan made a motion to approve all Tier II Girls applications, with the condition that all outstanding fees to UAHA be paid. Doug Anne 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- Review Travel Team Applications – Patty Bigelow was absent and no meeting of the Youth Organizations was held so the discussion was postponed to April.
- High School Hockey Proposal - Presented by Pam Pala on behalf of Matt Holloway and Shannon Woodhall, UHSH proposed the state board pay the tournament entrance fee for both Viewmont and the SL Stars for Nationals this season. The fee to enter is new this year, In the past the state board has paid these fees for Tier teams. The fee is \$1500 per team, so a total of \$3000. It should also be noted that UHSH has already allotted and given Viewmont and SL Stars \$10,000 each, totaling \$20,000, from the league for HS Nationals. See additional information attached. Discussion centered around UAHA not having paid for Nationals fees for several years, and they just denied an application by a Women’s “B” team. Jason Empey made a motion to deny the request. Brian Clements 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Approved in the majority. Jill Day opposed.
- Review Notice of Election – UAHA Annual Election is held at the end of April. See attached draft Notice. High School VP, and Girls/Women positions were just appointed in 2018, however per the UAHA Bylaws, **Article 11--Vacancies and Removal, Section 1.** ” Vacancies on the Board of Directors shall be filled by appointment of the Board, by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Board present at the meeting called to fill the vacancies. The appointed replacement shall serve until an election for the position can be held”. (Derrick Radke)
  - The following Positions are scheduled for election:
    - Executive Vice President
    - Treasurer
    - Vice President of Discipline
    - Travel (Tier) Vice President
    - Disabled Section Vice President
    - High School Vice President (Resignation of previously elected representative, BOD appointed Matt Holloway to fill the position until next available election)
    - Girls/Women Vice President (Resignation of Derrick Radke who was elected President, BOD appointed Doug Anne to fill the position until next available election)
    - Adult Vice President (newly resigned position)
  - Nominations will be due on March 30, 2019 – Get out and encourage others to apply/nominate people who would represent their section well.
  - Member Representative Election April 13, 2019 at the Oval’s World Record Lounge beginning at 12:00pm
  - General Election will be held April 27, 2019 at the Oval’s World Record Lounge beginning at 12:00pm
  - Notice will be sent to Membership through USA Hockey upon approval of the Board of Directors upon approval of the Notice by the BOD.
- No Discussion. Jason Empey made a motion to approve the Election Notice. Motion was seconded by Dewey Reagan. Motion was approved unanimously.

## Section Reports

- High School VP,
  - Pamala Pala presented a season summary. See attached.
  - Derrick noted that the games were all very close and very exciting. Every series went 3 games. Congratulations and thanks to HS for all the work they put into a successful tournament.
- Girls/Women VP, Doug Anne
  - 12U teams were 2<sup>nd</sup> in the MSGHL. All games were 1 goal games.
  - Discussed having the U of U ACHA Team do a camp for 8U-10U girls
  - Had discussions with Grand Canyon University and how they leverage AZ Coyotes for support and other ways to grow girl's hockey
  - Anaheim Lady Ducks are coming to SLC for a Girls Camp in June
  - Discussed Girls St. Lewis Showcase. There is room for at least 4 players
- Adult VP-No Report
- Youth VP (House/Rec), Patty Bigelow – No Report
- Travel VP (Tier), Dewey Reagan
  - Gave summary of the Tier II Tournament. Park City won each of the 14U and 16U ages groups, and the Park City 18U advanced as the only team of that age group in Utah.
  - Derrick noted that the games were all fun to watch. Congratulations and thanks to Dewey for all the work he put into a successful tournament.
- Disabled VP, Brian Clements
  - Preparing to State Camp. There were 132 registered as of today. Several age groups will fill up. Still looking for more girls to sign up. Everything else is set to go.
  - Sled Hockey series is coming to SLC Steiner the weekend of March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Teams are the local Avalanche and the Vegas Knights are coming to town.
- CEP, Wayne Woodhall – No Report
- ADM, Michael Strahan
  - Attended USAH Clinic on Body Checking in Colorado Springs.
  - Reviewed discussion with Joe Bonnett (USA Hockey regional ADM Manager) last weekend in regard to a body contact/checking clinic as discussed in last month's board meeting. His recommendation is to setup a Checking and Body Contact Clinic for all interested coaches in early fall that can be supported by USA hockey. His reasoning for waiting is so that it will be fresh in the minds of the coaches entering the next season, and any new rules adopted this summer can be introduced. I would like to work with Wayne to set this up and make it available to the coaching staff.

Also, he has concerns about misinformation that has been circulating in regard to removing Body checking from 14U in his neck of the woods and would like to try to get ahead of it in Utah if he can. He would like to setup a call-in meeting for Coaching Directors and Organizational Management of effected organizations in Utah in the next 6-8 weeks to discuss the direction USA Hockey is taking in regard to Checking at all age groups. He asked that we propose a couple of dates and times that would work for the state.

Discussion about the Zoom call with local Coaches and Coaching Directors. Michael was encouraged to go ahead and get it set up. Derrick would send to all organizations. There was much discussion about the pros and cons about the proposal.

- SafeSport, Wendy Radke – No Report
- Web Master, Brian Murray No Report
- Executive Reports
  - Registrar, Catherine Anderson – No Report
  - Discipline, Carole Strong - 2 match penalties scheduled for March, both high school players. No hearings in February.
  - Treasurer, Jill Day
    - Reviewed outstanding Background Fees not paid by organizations

Ashley Valley	5	Golden Spike	9 (5)	SLC	4(3)
Cache Valley	5	Oval	16	Park City	8
Davis County	9 (\$300 pd)	Peaks	10	Jr. Grizz	4 (\$400 pd)

Discussed Derrick and Wendy getting with Jill to reconcile.
  - Secretary, Linlee Jones – No Report
  - Exec. VP, Jason Empey
    - Made comments that there is a bit of chit chat that rules are being ignored and overlooked. There is a perception that there are no consequences for anyone or any organization who blatantly violates the rules. We as a Board need to make a better effort.

There were several in agreement. Derrick commented that it is impossible to do any enforcement when the violations are not brought forward; and if they are brought forward and one does not see any action, the reporter should follow up. There are many things to do and sometimes the ball gets drop/forgotten unintentionally.
  - President, Derrick Radke – No report
- Next Meeting, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019
- Open Discussion
  - The Matt Brickley Tributes were commented on. Thanks to all those who could carve out the time to attend and represent.
  - No additional discussion
- Motion to Adjourn at 9:25 pm by Jason Empey, Seconded by Dewey Reagan.

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Secretary (President acting as)  
[Utah Amateur Hockey Association]

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Date of Approval