

Agenda– Thursday May 21, 2020

Zoom Conference Call

AAHA Special Meeting 6:30PM

- Call to Order at 6:36pm
- Establish a quorum – All voting directors are in attendance via zoom
- Approval of the agenda Motion: Urban 2nd: Gavrilles

Reports

- NONE

Old Business

- NONE

New Business

The general purpose of the meeting is to discuss the Tier I designation in light of the USAH decision and recommendations from USAH. Additional supporting information is the following as outlined in the waiver and email ballot distributed on Friday. Following consultation with USA Hockey, the Executive Committee has determined that it is appropriate and consistent with existing AAHA bylaws and policies that three Tier I program designations be awarded for the upcoming season ('20-'21) only. The growth of hockey in Arizona has increased the player census such that AAHA is in substantial compliance with USA Hockey's requirements for the addition of a third Tier I program. USA Hockey has expressed its support for this decision. As everyone is aware, two Tier I applications remain for approval, with the CAHA Scottsdale Jr Coyotes Tier I designation having already been approved by the AAHA Board. The applications of the CAHA Chandler Bobcats and the DYHA Jr Sun Devils are hereby submitted for your votes. Note that each program will be awarded Tier I designation once they receive one or more votes.

The motion was outlined by legal counsel: Pursuant to existing policy, Arizona will designate two more Tier 1 associations in addition to CAHA Scottsdale, who has already been designated as Tier 1, for a total of 3 Tier 1 organizations for the 2020-21 season only. Motion: Hertle 2nd: Justin Rogers. Discussion. Four directors expressed their opinions of pros and cons for having three teams and the process thus far. Geoff Pashkowski asked about waiver approval for the 150 age group to have 3 teams. President Reckell advised that Youth Council will render their decision by June 2nd. Ten (10) directors abstained. Three (3) directors were identified as being conflicted: Tye (by Shaw), Curley & Urban (by Frost). President Reckell refused to recognize these 3 directors as being conflicted based upon the reasoning given. Six (6) directors voted. Each association (CAHA Bobcats & DYHA Jr Sundevils) received at least 1 affirmative vote so both associations will have the Tier 1 designation together with CAHA Scottsdale for 2020-21.

Announcements

Tim – Let's work to get hockey going again. He will be sending out information to everyone that was distributed to the affiliate Presidents. Rinks have received information and guidance as well. Next meeting will be June 8th via zoom.

Adjournment at 7:10pm

Motion Curley 2nd: Triant

Future State AAHA Board Meetings

- June 8, 2020
- July 13, 2020
- August 10, 2020
- September 14, 2020 – Annual Meeting

