

**North Dakota Amateur Hockey Association
2008 Affiliates/Board Annual Meeting
Saturday, May 10, 2008
Grand International Inn - Minot, ND**

I. Meeting Called to Order

President Greg Evenson called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM.

II. Guests:

Dave Tronnes	NPD Director
Tom Hitchcock	President SDAHA
Al Bloomer	USA Hockey
Duwayne Dillenger	President Wyoming Hockey Association
Jim Lundquist	NPD Player Development Director
Todd Berning	Urban Plains Center

III. Reports

A. Treasurer Report

Betty Tripplet gave the Treasurer Report. The Profit and Loss Statement for September 2007 – March 2008 was reviewed. The current Balance Sheet for March 31 2008 was reviewed. The financial statements are on record and all reported a positive position for the period.

B. Girls/Women Hockey Report

Keith Olson gave the Girls/Women Hockey Report. Keith reported that the numbers for girl's hockey have been stable. Keith stated that he still has a hard time getting accurate and timely score sheets.

C. Junior Gold Report

Tim Melander gave the Junior Gold Report. Tim reported that there were 10 teams in the league. Tim also mentioned that he was still having problems with the score sheets. Tim mentioned that he would prefer the teams would use "V" and "H" on the score sheets for Visitors and Home respectively.

D. ND League - State Tournament Report

Scott Schaeffer gave the ND League-State Tournament Report. Scott reported that he too was having issues with the accuracy and timeliness of the score sheets. There was much discussion on the state tournaments regarding gate prices and availability of hotel rooms in the smaller communities. After much discussion, there was no decision.

E. Association Executive – Web Site Report.

Gary Splichal gave an executive summary. Gary reviewed the new web site that he and Jeff Kamstra have been working on. Gary asked all the Affiliates to pay their association fees by the Fall Meeting. Also, Gary asked everyone to update his or her contact list.

F. Discipline Chair Report

Bruce Rostad gave the Discipline Chair Report. Bruce gave a report on the season's discipline actions over the past season. Bruce informed the Board that he will stay on as the NDAHA Discipline Chair.

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G. Player Development Committee Report.

Jarrold Olson and Mark Tollefson gave the Player Development Report. Jarrod gave a report on the Player Development actions over the past year. He discussed the Northern Plains Development Camp that was currently going on at the MAYSA. He informed the Board that there are over 40 coaches and evaluators helping out this weekend. Mark Tollefson stated that they are trying to keep the costs down so next year the tryouts will be just one day and Phase III will be eliminated. Next week, the Player Development Committee will be meeting on the fall Elite program.

H. Coach-In-Chief Report

David Hoff gave the Coach-In-Chief Report. David Hoff reviewed the Coach-In-Chief report. David informed the group that they have had very good attendance at the coaching clinics. There will be a level 4 in Wyoming in August. David also felt that all coaches need to work better with the players and parents to keep the level of penalties and ejections down. David thanked Dennis Nybo for all his help with the Chicago Showcase teams.

I. ND Hockey Hall of Fame Report.

David Duckworth, Hall of Fame Chairman, reviewed the Hall of Fame. Three people were nominated and Jim Kalbrener was installed into the Hall of Fame.

J. Referee-In-Chief Report

Gary Fiddler and Jim Olson reviewed the Referee-In-Chief report. Gary told the Board that we need to work on recruiting and retaining more young referees. Next year, Gary is working on having a Referee Clinic during the Alliance Cup.

K. Registrar Report

John Colter gave the Registrar's report. John reviewed all the registration numbers. The report is on file. John informed the Board that all the affiliates need to be doing their registrations on line. If they are not doing on line registration, it is time to start.

L. Risk Manager Report.

Don Fiebiger, NDAHA Risk Manager (RM), Tammy Fossum, NE District RM, & Jay Marshall, SE District RM. Don informed the Board that next season all the background checks will be done on line. Greg Evenson informed the Board and the Affiliates that next year we will have 100% compliance with the background checks.

M. Northern Plains Tournament Director Report.

Pete Sonnesyn gave the Northern Plains Report. Pete reviewed the President's Cup and informed the Board that they were a great success.

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IV. Roll Call

Present:

Gary Splichal	Association Executive
Greg Evenson	President
Mark Tollefson	Vice President
Steve Blasing	Secretary
Betty Triplet	Treasurer
Scott Schafer	Youth Leagues
Keith Olson	Girls/Women's
Tim Melander	Junior Gold
Dave Hoff	NDAHA Coach-in-Chief
Jarrod Olson	NDAHA Director of Player Development
Don Fiebiger	NDAHA Risk Manager
Jim Olson	NDAHA Referee-In-Chief
Peter Sonnesyn	Director Emeritus / NP District Tournament Director
David Duckworth	NE Director
Julie Howatt	NE Director
Jay Marshall	SE Director
Jeff Kamstra	SE Director
Dave Hanneman	SW Director
Dennis Lindgren	SW Director
Damon McLaughlin	NW Director
Bruce Rostad	NW Director / NDAHA Discipline Chair
Tammy Fossum	NE Risk Manager
Heidi Martell	NW Risk Manager
Gary Fiddler	NDAHA Referee-in-Chief
John Colter	NP District Registrar

Absent:

Brad Bekkedahl	NP District Director
Jack Kleven	Director Emeritus / NP District Adult Hockey Director
Bob Gillen	NP District Coach-in-Chief
Mike Wald	NP ACE Coordinator
Dave Zimmerman	NP District Disabled Hockey Representative

AFFILIATE	REPRESENTATIVE	VOTES
B/W Blades	<i>NOT PRESENT</i>	7
Bismarck	Dennis Nybo, Greg Dehoe	42
Bottineau	Larry Brooks	6
Cando	<i>NOT PRESENT</i>	3
Crosby	<i>NOT PRESENT</i>	7
Devils Lake	Terry Wallace	8
Dickinson	<i>NOT PRESENT</i>	6
Fargo All City	Phil Provost	31
Fargo Angels	Jim Schaeffbauer	6

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Fargo Flames	<i>NOT PRESENT</i>	1
Fargo Flyers	Chris Birmingham, Tom Loven	12
Fargo Raiders	<i>NOT PRESENT</i>	7
Glasgow	<i>NOT PRESENT</i>	Non-Vote
Grafton	<i>NOT PRESENT</i>	7
GF Blues	<i>NOT PRESENT</i>	4
GF Girls/Women	<i>NOT PRESENT</i>	4
GF Parks	<i>NOT PRESENT</i>	13
GF Supras	<i>NOT PRESENT</i>	6
Hazen - Beulah	Joe Amundson	9
Jamestown	Matt Stockert	8
Langdon	<i>NOT PRESENT</i>	6
Mandan	Tom Lindgren, Terry Allsinger	11
Mayville/Portland	<i>NOT PRESENT</i>	7
Miles City	<i>NOT PRESENT</i>	Non-Vote
Minot	Corwin Enns	15
Park River	<i>NOT PRESENT</i>	5
Rugby	Tammy Fossum	7
Sidney	Tammy Christenson, Dennis Moore	6
Valley City	Michelle Pritchard	4
Watford City	<i>NOT PRESENT</i>	7
West Fargo	Troy Miller	22
Williston	Greg Bender	19
TOTAL		297

V. Approval of Minutes

- A. September 15, 2007 Affiliate Minutes unanimously approved, and the January 8, 2008 Board Minutes unanimously approved. All minutes are posted on the web site.

VI. Introduction of Guests

- A. Dave Tronnes, USA Hockey Director was introduced. Don sits on the USA Hockey Youth Council and informed the group that he was very impressed with the new Northern Plains group.
- B. Todd Berning was introduced and talked about the new Urban Plains Center. Todd reviewed opportunities for all the hockey groups.
- C. Al Bloomer, USA Hockey National Coach-In-Chief gave a brief report on the national hockey program. Al informed the group that the top two reasons for kids leaving hockey is money and time. He asked all the attendees to work with kids and families to make sure we always try to keep the costs down and understand that today's kids have other time commitments other than hockey. Mr. Bloomer was very impressed with the Player Development program and did attend the hockey at MAYSA.

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- D. Tom Hitchcock, South Dakota President; Bruce Beckedahl, Montana President; Duwayne Dillenger, Wyoming President; Jim Lundquist, NPD Player Development Director & Wyoming Past President were introduced by Greg Evenson. All were committed to working together for the future success of the new Northern Plains District.

VII. Old Business

- A. Motion by Scott Schafer, second by Jeff Kamstra, it was recommended that the Board approve to pass proposals 1) Local Affiliate Agreement by Troy Miller of Fargo and 3) Section I, Article VII Fees by John Colter / Gary Spichal and approve to fail proposal 4) Section II, Article I General Playing Rules by Keith Olson. The Board unanimously approved the motion.
- B. Proposal 2 regarding residency and player transfers was tabled until the Fall Meeting.
- C. Proposal 5 regarding the elimination of the Fair Play rules was discussed. Motion by Matt Stockert, second by Troy Miller. The vote passed to eliminate the Fair Play points for next season.

VIII. New Business

- A. The Board voted unanimously to approve the affiliation of Northwood to the NDAHA.
- B. The Board voted to approve a third Bantam A and a third Pee Wee A teams for Grand Forks. Also approved was a second Pee Wee A team for the Fargo Flyers. All three teams will start up this fall for a three year period. Scott Schafer voted against the proposals.
- C. Mark Tollefson was elected Vice President and Steve Blasing was elected Secretary by unanimous votes.
- D. Directors Duckworth, Kamstra, Hanneman were reelected to the District Director positions. NW Director position to be appointed by NDAHA President.
- E. Tournament Assignments

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| 1. 12U | Fargo All City |
| 2. 14U | Bismarck |
| 3. 19U | May/Port |
| 4. Junior Gold | Fargo Flames |
| 5. Pee Wee A1 & 2 | Williston |
| 6. Pee Wee B1 | Mandan |
| 7. Pee Wee B2 | Wahpeton |
| 8. Pee Wee B3 | TBD |
| 9. Bantam A | Fargo Youth Hockey |
| 10. Bantam B1 | Rugby |
| 11. Bantam B2 | Bottineau |
| 12. Bantam B3 | TBD |

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IX. For the Good of Hockey

- A. The Fall Board Meeting will be held September 20th, with all Leagues holding a Scheduling meeting on September 21st, in Devils Lake.
- B. Traveling Trophies for all tourneys. Board approval for Gary Splichal to pursue purchasing travel trophies for all State Tourneys not having same.