

NORTH DAKOTA AMATEUR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
2010 Board of Directors Fall Meeting
Devils Lake - Saturday, September 25, 2010

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Greg Evenson called the meeting to order at 12:50 pm on Saturday, September 25, 2010 at the Great American Inn in Devils Lake, ND.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Greg Evenson, President
Betty Triplett, Treasurer
Keith Olson, Girls/Women's
Julie Howatt, NE Director
Jared Olson, NW Director
Jay Marshall, SE Director
Terry Halstengard, SW Director
Dave Hoff, Coach-in-Chief
Pete Sonnesyn, Director Emeritus

Tammy Fossum, Secretary
Dennis Moore, Boys HS League
Scott Schafer, Youth Leagues
David Duckworth, NE Director
Greg Bender, NW Director
Keith Holland, SE Director
Dave Hanneman, SW Director
Scott Koberinski, Player Development
David Zimmerman, NP District Disabled

Absent:

Don Rostad, Vice President
Brad Pratt, NDAHA Referee-in-Chief
Bruce Rostad, Discipline Director

John Colter, NP District Registrar
Jack Kleven, Director Emeritus
Don Fiebiger, Risk Manager

Also Present:

Dan Mulroy, GF Angels
Matt Stockert, Jamestown
Chad Arendt, Park River
Joe Amundson, Hazen
Jodi Mueller, Sidney
Amy Bachmeier, Fargo
Jerry Zachmeier, Mandan
Rob Hanneman, Fargo Raiders
Jay McClintock, Rugby

Jerry Rostad, Fargo Flyers
Dave Dusek, Fargo Angels
Brian Greicar, Fargo Angels
Alan Dostert, Fargo Flames
Larry Grinally, Fargo flames
Troy Miller, West Fargo
Dave Hills, Grafton
Terry Wallace, Devils Lake

III. GUESTS/PERSONNEL CHANGES

President Evenson announced the following personnel changes:

Gary Splichal has resigned as Association Executive and is now the Northern Plains District Girls Director.

Bob Gillen has moved and is no longer Northern Plains District Coach-in-Chief.

Dave Hoff has been named Northern Plains District Coach-in-Chief.

President Evenson introduced guest Brian Werk from Fargo Youth Hockey.

He also thanked Terry Wallace for making all the arrangements for the meeting.

IV. MINUTES

Motion was made by David Duckworth to approve the Minutes of the Affiliate-Board Meeting of May 1, 2010. Motion was seconded and passed.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Scoring & Stats System for Website

Discussion was held regarding using our website to record scores and stats.

Motion was made by Scott Schafer to implement a website scoring system for a one year trial to record the scores for all leagues and the statistics for the Boys High School League. Motion was seconded and passed.

Keith Holland will set up and work with communities to input information.

B. Posting of Game Scores & Forfeits

It was noted that using our website to record scores will likely take care of the problems we have experienced in the past.

C. Tournament Concerns

Scott Schafer asked for volunteers to look into future tournament concerns.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Affiliate/Board Communication

President Evenson handed out information on chain of authority for Michigan as an example for NDAHA to follow. This information will be posted on our website.

B. Committee Assignments

President Evenson announced that the membership of all committees will be redone and asked for volunteers to serve on these committees. Information will be posted on our website.

C. NDAHA Team & Program Marketing

Keith Holland reviewed a sponsorship advertising draft with the purpose of renewing efforts to promote hockey in ND by increasing awareness and communication, sponsorship and advertising. Options may include arena dasher boards, player development jerseys, NPHL team sponsorship, national team sponsorship, website advertising, state tournament books and state tournament banners. Contact President Evenson if you could offer assistance.

D. USA Hockey Locker Room Procedures

President Evenson explained USA Hockey's locker room policy and stressed that we expect all affiliates to follow this policy. Anyone monitoring a locker room must have a background check completed. It was suggested to help eliminate any problems to only give players only 15 minutes before and after each practice to be in the locker room. It was also stressed that players should never be alone in the locker room with a coach.

E. ADM PRESENTATION BY DAVID HOFF

President Evenson presented David Hoff with the USA Hockey Young Leader Award and thanked him for all the great work that he does for hockey in North Dakota.

David Hoff presented information on the ADM program. He explained that it is designed for everyone and every community must use the ADM model for their practices. He noted that coaches must change their old methods and try this

new system, which is based on science. USA Hockey's goal is to implement the program for ages 8 and under players this year, with ages 10 and under planned for next year. He is planning ADM meetings in the four districts this year which will be geared toward mite coaches and coaching directors. He is also preparing newsletters to send via email and is available to attend parent meetings.

F. Fargo New or Consolidated Affiliate Discussion

President Evenson introduced Brian Werk, representing Fargo Youth Hockey. Mr. Werk explained the current affiliate situation in Fargo and issues that have arisen. He asked for the Board's approval for the Fargo Flyers, Fargo Raiders, and Fargo All City affiliates to transition into one new affiliate. Fargo Flames and Fargo Angels would remain independent.

Motion was made by Jay Marshall to approve the transition of Fargo Flyers, Fargo Raiders, and Fargo All City affiliates to transition into one new affiliate conditional on the final approval of NDAHA Board of Directors. Motion was seconded and passed.

G. Discipline Policy Discussion

President Evenson reviewed a handout from Bruce Rostad regarding discipline procedures. Discussion was held on the penalty for failure to comply and on the need for 30 days to hold any hearings.

H. Fall Scheduling Meeting Update

Discussion will be held at the spring meeting.

I. Other

Scott Schafer explained that the Fargo Angels have asked to have a team in the Bantam A league.

Motion was made by Scott Schafer to approve the Fargo Angels participation in the Bantam A league with a three-year commitment. Motion was seconded and passed.

VII. REPORTS

A. President

President Evenson explained USA Hockey's Bylaw 10, Resolutions of Disputes, Arbitration, and Suspension. This is located on page 84 of the Annual Guide and must be followed by all affiliates and NDAHA.

The Dakota Jamboree is planned as follows:

Bantam B	December 10-12	Aberdeen
Peewee B	December 10-12	Wahpeton & Valley City
Bantam A	January 21-23	Minot
Peewee A	January 21-23	Watertown

There are still openings for teams. The fee is \$300 with a 4 game guarantee. Contact Pete Sonnesyn if you are interested in attending.

We still have sets of One Goal Equipment for sale. The cost is \$85 per set. Contact Tammy, Betty or Greg if you would like to purchase any sets.

President Evenson presented a brief history of NDAHA which shows that NDAHA started in 1950 and was formally incorporated in 1954.

B. Treasurer

Betty Triplett presented the treasurers report.

C. Youth Leagues

Scott Schafer reported that we still need hosts for the Bantam B1 and Peewee B2 state tournaments. Contact Scott if your community is interested in hosting. Scott also shared an idea to grow the game in your community: hand out rubber bracelets imprinted with a hockey quote to all kids at schools.

D. Girls/Womens League

Keith Olson reported that the 19U state tourney needs a host. It will be a 12-team tourney. The 12U state tourney will be hosted by Bottineau and the 14U will be hosted by Grand Forks.

E. Boys High School League

Dennis Moore reported that Watford City is planning to host the state tourney and will make a decision in the next few weeks, dependent on motel room availability. There are 8 teams in the league this year. He encouraged all affiliates to put extra effort into ensuring that all players have a team to play on this season, including those who have teams through their high schools.

F. Player Development

President Evenson reported that there have been changes in personnel in the Player Development committee. Brad Berry has left to coach in the NHL. Erik Fabian has left to be an assistant coach for the UND girls hockey team. Bob Gillen has moved out of the district. Scott Koberinski reported that district coordinators should be in place next week.

VIII. For the Good of Hockey

A. Winter Board Meeting

President Evenson reported that the Winter Board Meeting will be in Rugby the second weekend in January. The Spring Board/Affiliate Meeting will be in Minot the second weekend in May.

B. Other

Tammy Fossum asked that all affiliates submit updated information for the affiliate page on our website.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Scott Schafer that the meeting adjourn at 4 pm. Motion was seconded and passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Tammy Fossum, Secretary