

# AHYHA Policy Review Agenda

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## General

- Waive in policy or guidance
  - Eligibility committee will review requests.
  - Acceptance criteria
    - Complete teams that may not have enough players to field a complete team at that level.
    - Best interest of association and the members within association boundaries.
- Eligibility Committee Members
  - Vice President
  - Coach Development
  - Traveling
  - Girls
  - Tryouts
- Consistent and clear skater/goalie/player wording
- Updated wording regarding levels of play:
  - "Divisions" means Mite, Squirt, Peewee, 10&Under, 12&Under, Junior Gold, etc.
  - "Classifications" means A, B, C, House, etc.

## Board Structure

- **Need to revise to current board structure.**

## Coach Selection

- Coach Selection Committee Members: Coach, Traveling, Tryout, Girls, VP, HS Coach.
- Simplify wording of parent/non-parent coach selection. Remove non-parent preference.
- Removed specific reference to where coach postings are made.

## Assistant Coaches

- Head coaches propose assistant coaches to the coach development director. Assistant coach applications will be approved by the Coach Selection Committee.

## Player Move-up

- Players approved to move-up may not return to the lower division.

## Player Achievement

- Remove SKATE program endorsement from policy. Program can be instated without policy constraint.

## Eligibility restrictions

- Removed multiple team registration – redundant with district/MN

## Tryouts

- Team selection committee approval of coach's pool selection.
- Coach selections to A pool are not mandatory selections at a lower classification.
- The mandatory selections for each team are as follows:
  - The top 5 ranked skaters
  - The top ranked goaltender only if his/her score is the highest score by a predetermined margin.
- Remove tryout posting at ACC.
- Eliminate keeping 2 players after A pool completion.
- Add equipment section. Moved equipment requirements to this section.
- Add provision to allow special tryout session at discretion of the team selection committee.

## **PLACEMENT REQUESTS**

If siblings wish to play together on the same team, they **must** designate this to the Tryout Director prior to the first tryout session. They will then be placed together on the lower scoring siblings' assigned team. Failure to notify will result in both siblings placed at the appropriate classifications.

Requests for 'B' classification placement will not be accepted. This accommodation is in conflict with the stated mission of AHYHA tryouts. Every player must tryout to be placed on a traveling team. It is not in the best interest of any player for an 'A' player to be assigned to a 'B' team. It is also possible that players will be cut, even if the rosters are not completely full. The tryout process is used to ensure that each and every player is capable of playing at the team's classification.

## Uniforms

- Official Uniforms are only to be worn for events requiring the official team uniform. Exceptions may be requested by the head coach and approved by the Equipment Director.
- Remove equipment exception for waived in players.

## Volunteer requirements

- Total hour requirements increase to 12.
- Fees: \$275 deposit,\$225 Buyout
- Removed: There may be situations where teams will be assigned volunteer hours in the event we are unable to fill them through normal signups. In this instance, teams will be fined if the hours are unfilled.

## Refunds

- Added tryout fees not refunded if a player has completed tryouts
- All ice time (including tournaments) allocated to the player up to the high school team selection date will be subtracted.

## Grievance Policy

- Consolidated team official and player parent procedure.
- Added specific procedure for grievances regarding the Board or Board Members.

## **Definition of Sexual Harassment and Sexual Abuse**

- Removed definition of sexual harassment.