

UTAH HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES December 12, 2017

SOUTH DAVIS REC. CENTER BOUNTIFUL, UT

ATTENDING: Ally Brickley, James Soderborg, Mike Williams, Robyn Eyre-Long, Lacy Sappington, Alisha Hill, Bryan Boam, Eric Allen, Gina Capps, Anna Erickson, John Teynor, Jason Hall, Scott Baker, Kerry Fain, Jeff Elwell, Dana Combs, Shannon Woodhall

ABSENT: Joe Minnock, Anna Christensen, Richard Linton, Matt Prucka, Brian Blum

ALSO PRESENT: Jason Sims, Brian Murray, Cami Murray, Mitchell Slot, Becky Sellers, Sara Miller

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm

Approval of November Minutes: Jason Hall made the motion to approve the November minutes. Ally seconded, all approved, motion passes.

New Trustees: None

WIHOA: Mitch slot attended for Mike Davies. Mitch asked for a January schedule and asked for playoff dates. We are down refs for January, so the sooner the better. Shannon said Mike Davies wanted to remind everyone to be respectful. Bryan Boam asked if we are improving as far as behavior goes. Shannon spoke with Mike at the end of November, and he said that things seem to be going better. There were a few issues, and those teams were notified. Bryan asked if we track penalties to see if we are trending down. Jeff Elwell tracks the game misconducts, and said we have consistently been going down. Mitch stated that coaches should ensure that their players are aware of the rule changes. If the coaches aren't doing that, they need to, especially on a rule change year. Communication as far as the 601 rule needs to be emphasized. Mitch asked if there are any rules we are having issues with. James S stated we need consistency with the refs. Some of the refs call the penalties, and some don't. Mitch stated that we try to keep only level 3 and 4's banding the HS games. The consistency is always going to be an issue, but they do preach in the seminars that the penalties, especially the 601 rule, need to be called. Mitch stated that the linesman aren't as experienced as the ref, so that's where some of the issues at face offs come from. Ally stated that that is true. There are too many coincidental being called and it is frustrating. Mitch said his retort to that is there are things that happen that parents and coaches don't see or hear. Ally said this needs to be brought up to Chris. Bryan said he agrees, and that players are saying if they are going to get a penalty, then they should do something to deserve it. Mitch stated that he will take that back to Chris. Mitch was asked if refs are required to speak to a coach and answer questions, Mitch said no. He said it is a courtesy for the refs to go to the bench. It also depends on how the coach is asking the question as to whether the ref is going to go over to the bench. Shannon stated to keep up the good work.

Committee Reports:

Schedule: Shannon asked Cami to send the January schedule to Mitch. The rough draft for playoff brackets is done. Almost everyone starts on 2/5 and goes through 2/26. Games are not back to back. If you are in the winners' bracket, you may not have a game for 10 days due to President's day weekend. Shannon said after last season, we discussed about putting in the P&Ps about the Zam, referees, and we

never got anything back to vote on so we need to discuss: ice time for playoffs. All games should be 90 mins. Semi Finals will be one hour 45 minutes with jam after 2nd period. For the loser's bracket, the last game to go to winners bracket will be one hour 45 minutes. Championship games will be 2 hours. Officials: 3 or 4 man. Bryan asked why we would go back to a 3 man. Years past semi and championship games were 4 man. Shannon asked Mitch if they could accommodate a 4 man system. Mitch asked where the 4 man system games will be. Shannon stated they would be at Steiner if possible. Mitch said he doesn't foresee it being an issue. Shannon asked if there is anyone that has issues with anything we talked about. No issues from anyone. That is what we will go with. Shannon asked if anyone had any questions. Bryan asked if we are doing the seeding the same as the past. Shannon stated yes. Alisha asked if there will be games on Saturdays, Shannon stated yes. Kerri asked for the game start times. Shannon stated they are all over the place. Cami will email the open ice out to trustees so teams can pick up ice.

UAHA: Jason advised deadlines for rosters is 12/15. No changes after that, you won't get any. State camp dates: 3/23-3/25 at Oval. Same weekend as CO and other states, so kids are going to have to pick. They are talking about an alternate evaluation such as sending players to Idaho to be evaluated for those players attending nationals at the same time. HS Nationals: 3/22-3/26 in Minnesota. No females have returned anything to Derek. Scholarship checks were mailed Monday after Thanksgiving. State playoffs looking to start on 3/1 and Dewey is working around the HS All Star games. It's looking like right now we won't have any conflicts. Dewey is desperately trying to stay away from the 5th and the 10th. Last coaching clinic: Level 3 in Ogden on 12/16. Shannon stated that no other states have any clinics left. Last clinics they had: 25 attended for Level 1, 12 attended for Level 2. Derek has pulled all of the dates out the P&Ps and will list them on the website tomorrow. You should be able to get all of your dates for everything off the UAHA website. Gina asks when girl's state camp is. Jason stated that has not been established. Jason will ask when they will be. Keri asked how many girls signed up for the girl's selection and Derek hasn't received anything back. Keri asked if there are girls still interested, what should they do. Jason said send the names and contact info to Derek. Gina asked Keri to clarify what she is talking about. Girls that are junior or seniors, they are looking to put together a girl's district team, like the boys do. Jason said they are getting together trying to put together a girl's state camp, etc. Anna E asked if there is any discrepancies on the roster, who do we get with. Get with Brian M.

Website/Registration: Brian has forwarded everything to Cathy. We have until 12/15 to get those together. You need to have them sent ASAP so rosters can be completed. Brian sent all rosters before the meeting to each trustee. Please go through them and let him know of any discrepancies. Some coaches don't have credentials done. They cannot be added until those are done and they must be done by 12/15. Redlined players/coaches are at the bottom. There is an issue with some background checks going through to USA Hockey, but most of those have been ironed out. They are trying to make it so we don't go through this next season. Shannon stated when you are looking at your links, make

sure your coaches are on there and cleared. If they are not, they are done as of 12/31. It is the trustee's responsibility to make sure your coaches are on there. If you didn't get your link, get with Brian. Brian said he is gutting everything on the website for next season due to glitches. Content will be added, but he doesn't want to do it in the summer months. His current contract and agreement states he could be let go anytime. He asked if we are good with his contract so he can move forward with updating the website. Shannon asked if we could look up the information and discuss it next month. Brian stated one last thing on rosters. He needs to know who will be on the National bound roster. They cannot be changed after December.

Goalie: Joe is not here, but told Shannon everything is going well. Next goalie clinic is on 1/6 in Ogden at 8:15. Shannon will talk to Joe about playoffs regarding the goalie pool and making sure we have D1 and D2 goalies available. Ally asked if teams have enough players but no goalie, can they use the goalie pool for every game. Jeff E asked what happens if an affiliated team doesn't have a goalie and uses the goalie pool all year. Shannon stated you can apply for a waiver. They are pretty strict with the qualifications. Jeff said that is something to start thinking about.

Finance/Treasurer: Nothing.

Eligibility: 18.8 playoff eligibility:

- A. All players must be registered and rostered to a UHS team and have paid all applicable fees prior to 12/1 to be eligible to participate in playoff games.
- B. A minimum of 3 Varsity games played are required for playoff eligibility.
- C. The player must meet both A & B requirements above, should they fail to meet one of the requirements, then D is available.
- D. Limited appeal process to eligibility committee. Players who for some reason do not meet the requirements in A & B above can appeal to the eligibility committee. A written appeal must be submitted to the eligibility committee. The appeal must include the reasoning as to why the player failed to meet both requirements A & B above and why their case should be considered for review.

Robyn said she has 2 players that have set up payment plans with her. Is that ok? Shannon said yes.

Robyn is requesting all eligibility request to come in by 2/1.

Shannon stated cut off for Varsity was 12/1. If anyone registered after 12/1, they are not eligible.

Shannon reiterated for players to be smart in the games.

Disciplinary: Nothing

Grow the Game: Nothing.

Fundraising/Sponsorships: Nothing

Awards/Banquet: Anna said all of the nominations for the awards are live right now. Academic all stars are on the Trustee Only page. Anna encourages trustees to get online and get your players submitted. There is also a live update on who has been submitted. Make sure to hit refresh button if the player is not showing. Anna will change the due date to end of January for this.

Everything else is due January 15th.

TIM HIXSON MEMORIAL - SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

This award is given to one defenseman and one goaltender/forward selected as the most well rounded UHSB participants. Each winning candidate will receive a personal trophy as well have his or her name inscribed on the permanent trophy on display in the UHSB trophy case. Along with the trophy, a cash scholarship is awarded. Eligible candidates includes male and female 12th grade high school participants registered (before December 31) as members of UHSB of the current season.

The candidate must complete the online scholarship questionnaire. This application involves submitting supporting documents. Candidates are encouraged to start this application process as soon as it is available. Interviews will be conducted by the UHSB Awards Committee. Skill is not considered in the selection process. This award is for the most-well rounded 12th grade player who also happens to play hockey. Applications are due January 15.

JEFFREY GLASS ROBINSON MEMORIAL LEAGUE MVP AWARD

Each winning candidate will receive a personal trophy as well have his or her name inscribed on the permanent trophy on display in the UHSB trophy case. The Robinson MVP trophy is awarded each year to the UHSB Division I and Division II most valuable players. All UHSB participants registered as members of the UHSB of the current season and in good standing are eligible for the award. Nominees can be in any grade but preference is given to nominees who are seniors. Candidates are nominated by their respective head coaches and trustee using the UHSB online application. The UHSB Awards Committee will select the MVP recipients.

ART TEECE MEMORIAL LADY MVP AWARD

The winning candidates will receive a personal trophy as well have her name inscribed on the permanent trophy on display in the UHSB trophy case. The Teece Memorial Young Lady MVP is awarded each year to the most well rounded female player. All female UHSB participants registered as members of the UHSB of the current season (prior to December 31) and who are nominated by their respective head coaches and trustee shall be eligible for this award regardless of year in school. Nominees can be in any grade but preference is given to nominees who are seniors. The UHSB Awards Committee will select the MVP recipient(s).

Nominations are due January 15th

DAVE BROWN MEMORIAL - VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

The winning candidate will receive a personal trophy as well have his-her name inscribed on the permanent trophy on display in the UHSB trophy case. Volunteers for outstanding contribution and dedication to UHSB shall be eligible for this award. Names of candidates may be submitted by any person by completing the online application. The UHSB Awards Committee will select the Volunteer of the Year recipient.

Nominations are due January 15th.

GARY JONES MEMORIAL COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD

The winning candidate will receive a personal trophy as well have his or her name inscribed on the permanent trophy on display in the UHSB trophy case. Only head coaches, listed as head coach for a UHSB varsity team, shall be eligible for this award. Names of candidates may be submitted by any person by completing the online application. The UHSB varsity head coaches will select the Coach of the Year recipient.

Applications are due January 15th.

Tim Hixon award is a scholarship award. The player has to be nominated for this and the student athlete needs to apply. It's quite a process and they have attached a PDF so they have all of their information before applying because if they don't, they may lose their information in the middle of applying.

Jason Hall stated one of the difficult things from last year is when they did the interviews, they got blank stares. The players were nervous. The checklist will help them prepare and give thoughtful answers. As trustees, whoever you're nominating for that, help your student athlete through the questions. Ally asked how many kids applied last year. They interviewed 10. Ally asked if the questions were difficult when interviewing. Jason said the players hadn't thought about it so they were non responsive and couldn't give eloquent responses.

MVP Award is given to D1 and D2. They look at penalty minutes for this award. This award needs to be nominated by the head coach or trustee.

Art Teece Memorial Lady MVP Award: Historically, there have been very few applicants for this award. Any grade is eligible.

Dave Brown and Gary Jones can be nominated by anyone in the community. The head coaches will be asked to vote for the finalists for Gary Jones award. Brian is going to set something up online and the coaches will be able to vote online.

Anna asked anyone affiliated with a rink to take a poster and post it at the rinks. She will also email it out.

Trustees need to get their players nominated.

Items from the floor:

All Star Games: 3/5 and 3/10 at Peaks

Skills: 3/10 before last All Star game at Peaks

Check P&Ps for All Star eligibility. Players cannot have more than 50 penalty minutes in the regular season.

Each team gets 4-5 nominations. Trustees need to send these in order.

Anna asked for the All star nominations, should those come from the head coach or trustee. Shannon said it doesn't matter. It is ok to send 9th graders, but if they play in the final All star game, they are no longer JV eligible. Gina asked if there is a place to access the penalty minutes for players. They are on the website under your teams stats.

Anna asked about the award banquet. It's not on the calendar. Shannon said the Awards committee needs to come up with a date/venue.

Scott asked a question about the scheduling of JV games for DCI. Cami had already left. Scott stated DCI has 1 JV game per month, and then 6 in the two weeks leading up to playoffs. Scott asked how to get things changed if the schedule is skewed like that. Dana stated DCI isn't the only team. Shannon said finding ice on Friday and Saturdays for JV games is difficult. Shannon said for some of the teams, with holidays, blackout dates, it would give them a whole month that they couldn't play. Jason said this is something to put on the agenda for next season.

Dana – please send in missing scoresheets. Please only send 1 scoresheet per email. Dana will send out an email to all teams that have missing scoresheets. Put date, game, level, and rink as the subject line. Shannon stated to get your scores in ASAP so seeding for playoffs can be figured out.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm