

Utah High School Hockey Board
Meeting Minutes
12 March 2019
Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center

Trustees present:

Alta, Bingham, Bountiful Ind., Brighton, Cache Valley Ind., Copper Hills, Davis County Ind., East, Farmington, Herriman, Northern Utah Ind. (phone), Oquirrh, Park City, Riverton, Stars, Sky Canyon (phone), Skyline, Southern Utah Ind. (phone), Tooele, UCI-N, UCI-S, Uintah (phone), Viewmont, Wasatch Ind. (phone)

Trustees not present:

Murray

Others in attendance

Cami Murray (phone), Brian Murray (phone), Becky Sellers (phone), Chris Smith (WIHOA)

Minutes

Motion to approve February minutes – Robyn Eyre-Long, Copper Hills. Second by Evan Bigelow, Cache Valley Ind. All approved.

New Trustee

No New Trustees this month

WIHOA

Playoffs were successful from their viewpoint. Ref seminars are changing and can be done over the summer this year. They will be hosting official specific clinics. They are looking for about 30 officials, they must be returning officials to participate. They will be having newer officials shadow more experienced officials during summer games. Scorekeepers will no longer be handled by WIHOA. They will send over a list of scorekeepers and how it's handled moving forward is up to UHSH. WIHOA would like to host an event for coaches and team captains. They are hoping this event will help these individuals understand the different viewpoints. This event will likely take place in August.

Playoffs

Congrats to Cache Valley Ind., Viewmont, and SL Stars. Viewmont and Stars are advancing to Nationals. Gate collected about \$19K. Once final WIHOA invoices are in the cost will have been about \$27K.

UAHA will not cover the Nationals Entry Fee. Their reasoning is that if they cover it for UHSH teams they will need to cover it for every other organization going to Nationals. Stars propose that UHSH pay the fee and budget for it moving forward. UHSH already covers \$10K of the expenses for teams going to Nationals. Stars propose that if UHSH does not cover the fee that if UHSH covers the fee for any team during the next three years that the Stars and Viewmont be reimbursed for the fee. In USA Hockey D1 is a pure High school team, D2 is combined. Different from UHSH designations. Pam Pala, Stars, moved for UHSH to pay the Nationals Entry Fee for both Stars and Viewmont. Matt Leatham, Viewmont, seconded the motion. Vote was tied, 11 for, 11 against, so it did not pass.

Committee Report – UAHA

Tier programs would like to put a deadline (end of February) on UHSH end of season events. Their reasoning is to allow their playoffs to be completed with time for parents, players, and families to collect the funds for Nationals. It is felt that Tier is hoping for a compromise for 5% of players through a change to UAHA P&Ps. It is UHSH opinion that a specific date for deadline is unfair to the UHSH program and all its players. As it currently stands, games start right after Labor Day and the org tries to finish by the end of February. But occasionally, due to weather and other events, this end of February isn't met. UHSH already attempts to accommodate Tier players by not playing key travel tournament weekends. Please send suggestions for better ways for this to be worked out. Tier and UHSH need better communication/planning discussions.

WCR was granted Tier I teams at the 18U, 16U, 15U, and 14U levels. Eagles and Park City were granted 18U Tier II teams. Eagles, Jr Grizz, and Park City were each granted a 16U and 14U Tier II team. Utah Lady Grizz were granted a 19U and 14U Tier II team.

UHSH will be accepting nominations for the state board representative through 30 March.

Committee Report – Awards (Anna Erickson)

The award process has been completed. All that is left is the Awards Banquet. Announcements have been sent out to the award recipients. Academic All Stars have been completed. There were a few minor corrections which have been handled. They moved from the big poster that needed to be taped to the wall to a poster board. The poster board seemed to work much better and looked nicer.

Committee Report – Finance (Becky Sellars)

Last year playoffs brought in \$17K as opposed to \$19K this year. They are reviewing the budget for next year. Please send any budgetary requests.

Committee Report – Eligibility (Robyn Eyre-Long)

Nothing to report

Committee Report – Discipline (Xavie Augenblick)

The committee has not received any scoresheets from playoffs. Please send in those that need to be sent to Discipline. The committee is open to receiving suggestions for improvements. They will be re-evaluating P&Ps and any suggestions over the summer. Committee thanked parents as their behavior was much improved for playoffs. Lollipops appeared to have worked quite effectively. Two players had disciplinary issues that were sent to UAHA.

Committee Report – Goalie Pool (Joe Minnock)

Brian and Joe will look to UAHA again for goalie clinics. They will prepare a draft plan for Matt to look over and propose at the UAHA level. Goalie clinic would be great to schedule in July, August to reduce conflicts with other events.

Committee Report –Schedule (Cami Murray)

Starting to secure ice for next season. There has been no progress on the new facility in Park City. Please think about any proposed black out dates, season beginning dates for this upcoming season. Historically JV begins the Friday, Saturday in the middle of September (this year 14 September). Historically Varsity begins the following week (this year 16 September).

Committee Report –Web/Registrar (Brian Murray)

All registration components will be redone this year in an effort to simplify the process. Next month a Facebook campaign will begin. Hoping to cast a state wide net for potential players. Another campaign will occur in August. Currently harvesting data from this year to be archived. Target date for new team pages is next week. The new registration process will be enabled to capture head coach data.

Independent Teams (Dana Combs)

A meeting will take place, Thursday 21 March, 7:30pm, at Acord. This meeting will cover boundaries. Dialogue will begin, no decisions will be made. All attendees should bring a current list of schools covered by their team. Please include the number of players from each school. Invites will be sent out to those involved and will include call-in information.

USA Hockey Patches

Hat Trick, Playmaker, and Shut out patches available through the state registrar. Email scoresheets with the required events to Cathy. She will send earned patches out by mail.

Nominations

Next month (April) nominations will be accepted for Secretary and VP Independents. Voting will occur the following month (May).

P&Ps

18.13 – JV Eligibility – Pam Pala, Stars, moves to amend this section to Say “Players currently rostered on a Girls Travel team are eligible for JV play.” Joe Minnock, Brighton, seconded. Trustees voted to accept the wording. Vote will occur in April for addition to P&Ps.

9.2 – Billing – Dana Combs, Oquirrh, moved to accept the change as amended during the meeting. Joe Minnock, Brighton, seconded the motion. Vote was in favor of accepting the proposed wording. Vote will occur in April for addition to P&Ps.

42.4 – Guaranteed Position – This section impacts the order in which players are selected for the All-Star games. If an ineligible player is nominated, the team should lose that nomination spot. In other words, you nominate five players and one is ineligible, that team may not send an additional nomination. Clarification needs to be made as to whether penalty minutes will be used from pre-season games, regular games, and/or season playoffs. Wording for this proposed change needs additional work.

50.1 – Committee Chair – As currently written a committee chair must be a current trustee. This proposed change would allow a committee chair to step down as trustee and stay on as committee chair. This does not apply to executive board as they are elected. Committee chairs are appointed. The motion to accept wording as proposed made by Evan Bigelow, Cache Valley Ind. Seconded by Robyn Eyre-Long, Copper Hills. Wording approved by majority vote. Vote will occur in April for addition to P&Ps.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.