

UTAH HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES August 8, 2017

SOUTH DAVIS REC. CENTER BOUNTIFUL, UT

ATTENDING: Robyn Long, Dana Combs, Kerry Fain, Alisha Hill, Anna Christensen, Joe Minnock, Jeremy Ady, Eric Allen, Brian Blum, John Teynor, Richard Linton, Bryan Boam, Jason Hall, Lacy Sappington, Jody Brown, Jeff Elwell, Mike Williams, Shannon Woodhall, Jared Rutter, Vennice Robinson, Anna Erickson, Tilly Van Egmond, Ally Brickley,

ABSENT: Matt Prucka, James Soderborg

ALSO PRESENT: Becky Sellers, Jason Sims, Brian Murray, Cami Murray, Chris Smith, Sara Miller

Meeting called to order at 7:01pm

Approval of July Minutes: Dana made the motion to approve the July minutes. Robyn seconded, all approved, motion passes.

New Trustees: None

WIHOA: Chris Smith was in attendance for Mike Davies. Chris discussed the rule changes for HS hockey. 9 dot rule effective 9/1. This rule means every puck will be dropped on a dot. Another rule change is no icing at all for U14 and under even when short-handed. Chris asked us to please keep in mind an official needs to hear the slur in order to call a penalty. Chris asked for dates so he can schedule time for HS coaches, preferably not on a holiday weekend. Shannon asked if Chris would be willing to let her know a date, time, and location and we'll get our coaches there. Officials retention, we are down some numbers and it is anticipated that we will drop some more. Mostly due to abuse of officials. We'll have over 4500 games next season. The referee seminars are:

Level 1,2,3: 9/9/17, 10/14/17, and 11/11/17

They have been targeting certain officials over the summer that will be used for D2 games. Chris stated referee pay is over minimum wage. Referees will no longer be required to pay the extra fee to ref county games. You can control your availability. Looking for female officials. Their track to get to the higher level is easier than for males. Chris asked us to be patient with the rule changes. Officials are going to make mistakes. Any issues, the proper channel needs to go to Mike Davies first. Jason H asked if there is a crackdown for language for next season. Chris said in theory, we hope the officials will but it is a work in process. Scorekeepers are needed as well. Scorekeeper training will be Sept 9th in conjunction with the ref seminar. Chris Smith will be the scheduling coordinator for high school again. Invoice for high school games will be based on game number so Cami can invoice the teams easier. Email Chris Smith with any questions. His email is cmsmith1414@hotmail.com.

P&P – Vote on payment of vendors 9.3:

Dana made the motion to approve, Jason H seconded it. All approved, none opposed, no abstentions. Motion passes.

Committee Reports:

Coaching clinics:

Level 1: Oct 28th at Oval from 8:00am – 3:00pm, Nov 18th at Oval from 8:00am – 3:00pm.

Level 2 and 3: Oct 14th at Acord from 8:00am – 3:00pm

Coaches need to bring gloves, stick and helmet.

Need to make sure coaches have completed their u18/midget module before participating in any event. If previous coach, they should already have done it. They also need to have completed their SafeSport, which is good for 2 years. Refresher is required for those that need to update their SafeSport. There is a 15 minute refresher course available until 9/18. After 9/18, only the full course will be available. Brian B asked how to see if his new coaches have a current SafeSport, the coach can go back to the SafeSport website and print out the certificate and email it. Once Brian M populates rosters, the coach will not show up on the roster if they haven't completed everything. If you don't know how to find something, go to the coaching certification web page and enter the coaches name and it will tell you if a current coaching CEP level is held and if they've done their modules. Do not allow coaches to participate that haven't completed them. Background screening is now available, so have your coaches complete that. The link for SafeSport is also on there.

Modules, Safe Sport and background need to be done before first practice. Coaching clinics: you have until 12/31. If you're not sure where to go to find stuff, contact Shannon.

UAHA: The new state treasurer is Jill Day. She was voted in last night. Coaches have to have their stuff done before they get on the ice, if they don't they won't show up on your roster this year. Get refreshers done ASAP. USA Hockey volunteer and coaches are different than in the past. They are now separate. Please pay attention to what you're checking when registering with USA Hockey. Coaches are now separate from Volunteers. All trustees need to do IMR for free as a volunteer. Trustees also have to do the background and SafeSport. Need IMR in order to do background and SafeSport. Penalty box attendants do not need to complete SafeSport nor sign up as a volunteer.

18s – Tier 1 is 2 players short. They have until 10/1 whether they are going to field a team or not. Right now everything stands as in. Be aware of high school players on the tier 1 team. Brian B now has 1 player playing tier 1 and now can't play for high school. Brian B stated that he would like the players to be able to choose whether they play high school or not even if they play tier 1. WCR needs to send their rosters to Kathleen, and then it will get sent to Jason and Shannon.

WCR is not fielding a 16 team. Some of those players will go to the 18s team, so please verify if any of your high school players are playing WCR.

Trying to get some other coaching clinics scheduled. What Shannon went over is what it is now, trying to get 2 more scheduled.

Remember this is a rule change year. Let parents know the rule changes so they can be patient with our officials. We need to be able to retain our officials. Trustees are responsible for their parents at games.

Schedule: Cami: Game rough draft is out now. Check your schedule, look it over. Cami is still fixing some typos. Practice is still on going. Cami is hoping that some teams will combine practices. Cami sent out an email regarding 45 minute ice slots at Acord. She may give 1 per team. Jeff E stated that you can usually talk to the ice rink and if they don't jam, you could get a full hour of ice. Shannon stated that since we are paying for the ice, we can request that the ice not be made. Usually the jam person will be

fine with it. If your team wants to volunteer for these 6 ice times, let Cami know. If we give it back, we won't get that time in the future.

Cami talked to Clark today through email. She still doesn't have a spreadsheet of available ice. She went off of the times that we had last year. Clark said the schedule will be similar to last year. Cami sent an email to Clark with the ice times that she scheduled. Cami stated that she hasn't received any playoff ice from Clark either, so she doesn't think we will have them at Steiner. Peaks will be cheaper and it is available. She is hoping to secure playoff ice in the next few weeks to get those games scheduled. Last Varsity game for all teams will be the beginning of January. We have two weeks for games that may need to be rescheduled before playoffs begin. JV games will have games during the month gap that Varsity ends. JV ends the first Saturday of February now. Everyone look at the rough draft of Varsity and JV schedules, any issues, get with Cami. Shannon stated for now leave the schedule the way it is in case we need to reschedule any games within that month. Jeff asked if there was enough ice for all Varsity teams to have scrimmages to use up the ice if needed. Cami stated that was possible.

Website/Registration: Brian M stated background check link is now working. There is a glitch, so please use the 2017-18 screening. Need to have IMR number to go through background screening.

Rostering changes: We cannot modify rosters once they are finalized and approved. Rosters for nationals need to be set from the beginning. Nothing can be added or taken away. They are going to be very strict next season regarding this. 25 are allowed on rosters, when official rosters are done for that event, you can scratch some players. You just can't add any. We have a new district registrar and she is very strict. Shannon stated we need to register Pure teams as division 1 for nationals, and Independent for Division 2. Brian M can let us know when coaches get their stuff done. Brian is going to see if he can populate a list of coaches that are good to go. He will let us know.

Brian did an interview with ESPN and it went well. They've done a good job and had our banner out on the website. Brian received some phone calls from the interview. Next month he is going to get more aggressive with growing the game. Jeff E asked what the UHSH fee is, it is \$170, if players register for select team tryouts it is \$200. UHSH website is being used as a demo for other sports to look at. We're in a good position with that. Shannon talked to Dewey with the billboards and she sent over some art and they just have to touch it up a bit but they should be up on the billboards within the week.

Brian has a page built for ads, under committee page, and mirrored under coach's page. There are 3 different options. Any questions, contact Brian M or Becky. Becky stated if you're sending the ad in, please let her know the player and what team they are on. Jeff E made a motion that 90% of ads sold goes back to the player. Richard L Seconded. All in favor, none opposed, no abstentions. Motion passes.

Bryan B asked how that associates with what the league gets. We paid more last year, so now we will be getting 10%. We don't have a line item target, and we are just saying we are ahead. Last year we had a negative effect, next season we will have a positive.

Bryan B asked about the ads and they have a few players looking at it. How do we know which ads and which players sold ads? Becky is keeping a running sheet and marking the team, ad, player, and how much. Bryan asked if there was a real time thing that we can see online to see what was sold. Brian M said he could populate a list at real time so trustees know what they have. Brian M stated it's super easy to set up, it's private and real time. Bryan made the suggestion to add a drop down list for players to pick which team they are playing for. It currently is a text box. If there was a drop down box, then there

won't be confusion on which team they are playing for. Brian M said that he would create the drop down box.

Alicia asked where the electronic fill out is for ads. Brian M stated it's under the Committees tab, sponsor ship advertising, and the link is right up top. It is also on the coaching page, but that is causing glitches.

Shannon stated everyone needs to register themselves and do their stuff, and have coaches and players get registered too.

Goalie: Goalie clinic is this Friday and Saturday. We have 11 signed up now. Some teams will send shooters.

We only have 3 goalies signed up for the goalie pool. We need more. Please let your goalies know. To register for a goalie pool, it's under players, it will say goalie pool. One is for the goalie to sign up and the other is to sign up if you need a goalie.

Shannon stated first JV games starts 9/9. We have less than a month so we need to get players registered. We have less than 100 players signed up now.

Joe will work with Brian and Jared to have continued goalie clinics throughout the year.

Finance/Treasurer: Becky is going through the financials and sending out invoices for outstanding balances. Check your emails. Any questions, ask Becky.

Eligibility: Robyn reviewed where WCR stands. Remember those players. Any players that need to be forwarded to the eligibility committee to review, please send those in. Stressed that JV should be fun, learning environment.

Grow the Game: Shannon passed around the committee list. We have no one as a chair for grow the game yet.

Fundraising/Sponsorships: Big Brothers Big Sisters has a fundraising. Gather clothes and they pay \$0.25 per pound. Robyn stated there are a lot of chuck a pucks available. If interested, contact Grizzlies. Jason H stated that they've found their best return per kid per hour is Papa Murphy's pizza cards. They sell them 1 for \$15, 2 for \$20. They cost \$1.

Select Teams: Tryouts are on the website. 8/24, 8/29. Players are notified fairly quickly if they made the team. We need help on and off the ice. Girls can come out whenever they want. All are at Acord. Reach out to coaches to see if they would be willing to help on the ice. They do need to register as a player and then at the end it gives them the option to pay the extra \$30 for select tryouts. If they already registered, and didn't pay the \$30, they can bring it to the tryouts.

Kerry stated that SUI girls asked if they could put together a Utah or RMD girls' team. Shannon stated to get with Kathleen. Need to be 11th and 12th graders. Shannon said we can work on what we can do with the girls. This year at nationals, there will be a high school girls only nationals. 4-6 teams for this year for that nationals.

Awards/Banquet: Anna:

We just need another committee person for the awards.

Items from the floor:

Robyn stated the way D1 and D2 played out. Is it worth having a D2 independent and pure playoff, or a D2 division as a whole? Shannon stated it was a bit late to change it now due to budget.

Shannon: Policy states that if there are more than 4 teams for each, there will be an independent playoff and pure playoff, so there will be D2 independent and D2 pure playoffs.

Kerry stated SUI is going through a lot of changes and its looking they will not be having any home games. There are 12 Varsity and 12 JV games scheduled before ice is available down there. They are looking at going to Provo or Vegas for practices. The cost is going to be huge for their team. The parents have asked if they could get some leniency on their fees. Asking for a reduction of \$1500 for Varsity and \$1200 for JV. Brian B asked how they came up with those numbers. Kerry stated the parents came up with it. They are charging \$600 per player, which includes the \$170 to high school. Kerry stated they have a lot of travel costs.

Jason H asked Cami if there is anything to alleviate their travel problems. Cami stated JV and Varsity are separate, so not really. Bryan B stated this is a great way to grow the game and asked if we could slate this for next meeting. Kerry just worries that with select team tryouts being before next meeting, she may lose players if this is decided upon quickly. Brian B asked what is needed to qualify the rink for games. Kerry stated they need more locker rooms, which they are in the process of building. The locker rooms will be done by the end of September.

Shannon stated another company has taken over the management and building of the rink and adding the locker rooms. They do not plan to have the rink ready until December. Shannon and Kathleen have both spoken to the company. They stated they would need to have everything ready, plus ice, 3 weeks before we send teams down there. With the December finish date, there's only 3 weeks of games available. If finishing gets done before, then we can schedule before December. 5 teams were identified that could have games down there after December. Kathleen and Shannon would need to go down and verify everything is up to par before games would be scheduled and Cami needs 2 weeks' notice to schedule games. If the rink is ready, we can play games down there for those 5 games.

Kerry stated they will have an indoor rink in the next 2 years. Brian B asked if they received a reduction in fees this coming season, how many kids would roster. Kerry stated around 24. Becky asked if the city would help, Kerry stated no because the money they've put in for the rink already. Kerry stated a concern if we put it off to next month, they won't have as many players register.

Becky asked if we do a deferral this year, and next year do they make up that cost.

SUI doesn't pay the league to practice down there. Kerry stated that as the schedule sits they will be practicing in Provo or Vegas. Brian M asked if there fees would change if those 5 teams went down to play. Shannon stated that we did give some \$ to teams in the past. SUI did receive monies. Kerry stated they did not. Brian B asked what Vernal and Logan teams thought about this. Brian B asked if we have a line item for Grow the Game. Becky stated we do not.

Jeff made the motion to agree to subsidize half (\$1350) of the monies now and revisit the second half in October when we know what is going on with the rink and situation. Bryan B seconded. Jason H stated that if the rink is not ready, we revisit and have a discussion about the second half.

Jeff E clarified his motion to half now and revisit in October. Mike seconded. All in favor, none opposed. Kerry abstained. Motion passes.

Richard had a few kids state they were going to go to charter schools. They thought if they went to the charter school they could still play for Herriman. Just for discussion, is there any appetite for us to

change to do it the way all the other high school sports are run. If we don't change that precedence now, we are going to have to change it in the future. Shannon asked Richard to talk to Gina Capps since Gina had the proposal for the future. Shannon stated that Gina is in charge of this moving forward. Bryan B introduced Jeff Reynolds. He is a possible candidate for the Farmington trustee. Shannon stated the trustee for Farmington will be voted in when they declare teams. They can come to the meetings prior to being voted in if they want. Bryan stated that it's not fair they don't get to vote on anything that affects their team. Cami stated the confirmed boundaries are completed at the end of the year.

Meeting adjourned at 9:02pm