

# PAHL MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 17, 2017

Allegheny	John Gable	North Hills	Christine George
Altoona	Bryan Imler	North Pgh	Jay Lamark
Arctic Foxes	Mark Zukowski	Predators	Frank Buonomo
Armstrong	Dan Wible	Renegades	Glen Scholze
Aviators	John Davis	South Hills	Nick DeRose
Butler Valley	Rob Bowers	Southpointe	Joe Lombardi
Cambria	Heather Rankin	State College	Jim Detwit
Crawford	Dan Foster	Westmoreland	Jason Sloan
Huskies	Michael Hooks	Westmoreland	Mary LeBlanc
Ice Miners	Jeff Fleck	Westmoreland	Mandi Hammond
Indiana	Parry Muir	Wheeling	Jon Klug
Lawrence	Todd Chamberlain	Youngstown	Jim Willock
Mon Valley	Chris Phillips	PAHL	John Folmer
Morgantown	Mike Smith	PAHL	Jill Harmon
Mt Lebanon	Mark Baumgartner	PAHL	Rose Hoffmann
North Hills	Amy O'Neill	PAHL	Darcee Purvis

Associations absent: Beaver, Erie, Johnstown.

President John Folmer called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary John Mudrany was not in attendance.

November minutes were presented for approval. Motion by Mark Baumgartner, second by Jeff Fleck; approved by majority.

December minutes were presented for approval. Motion by Mark Baumgartner, second by Jeff Fleck; approved by majority.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Rose Hoffmann reported league bank balances to be \$165,854 in checking and \$49,100 in savings. Rose reported that all but a couple checks have been received from the per player reconciliation and refund checks have been distributed. Associations that still owe have been notified.

The scholarship application has been out and distributed to 18U teams. The deadline is March 15 and awards will be presented at the April meeting.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President John Folmer spoke about the referee reporting process. More coaches need to complete the evaluations. All reports are read and acted upon as needed.

John also cautioned associations that reports of inappropriate parental behavior have increased as we move through the mid season. Associations need to take appropriate action and ask the league for assistance if necessary.

## **USAH REPORT**

Exec Director Darcee Purvis reviewed information from the annual USAH Directors meeting in Florida. The primary topics were rule proposals for the new 2017-2000 Rulebook that will be voted on in June. Presented to the Directors were 6 housekeeping proposals, 198 youth/girls rule change proposals, and 38 junior team proposals.

Of significance were the following:

- A. Proposal 38 (rule 402): minor penalties from 2 min to 1.5 min for 15 min periods or less (already latitude to do this in the rules)
- B. Proposal 80 (rule 604): remove body checking from 14U age classification (already latitude to do this in the rules)
- C. Proposal 128 (rule 624): eliminate the ability of a shorthanded team to legally ice the puck for 14U and younger divisions
- D. Proposal 148 (rule 630): eliminate tag up offsides at 14U

After membership discussion of the four proposals above, a hand vote indicated that a position statement should be sent from the PAHL recommending defeat of all four.

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

ED Darcee Purvis reported on the following:

- A. Grow the Sport Award approved – South Hills (new larger dividers – 50% to max of \$3000)
- B. Academic Allstars
  - a. Apps to be out by Friday – to be emailed directly to the teams and posted on website
- C. Stats Audits
  - a. Good input this season – less corrections
  - b. No forfeits to date
  - c. Girls crossover adjustments
- D. Outstanding game reschedules were reviewed
- E. Book Check Follow ups being emailed
- F. Girls Planning Meeting
  - a. Age Range Progression Proposal – 5 yr plan submitted to Mid Am
  - b. Rule change to restrict double rostering between girls teams to within an association
- G. Mite Ref Mentor Reimbursements – season's end
- H. East-West Classic Tournament with NHL Stadium Series Game
  - a. Feb 24-26
  - b. 9 PAHL teams – 9 DVHL teams; 10U, 12U, 14U
  - c. PAHL teams selected via placement ranking process
- I. Ponytail Jamboree – March 5 – 8 enrolled – deadline Feb 5
- J. Mid Am Goalie Guys
  - a. Training for associations
  - b. Regional goalie camp this summer – players and coaches
- K. Fair Play Analysis – mid season stats reviewed

- L. Mite Medal Distribution – medals should be in any day and will be delivered to associations

### **COMPETITION DIRECTOR**

Director Jill Harmon reported that roster adds are up slightly this season. About 10-12 goalies have been double rostered.

Jill reported on game results so far as regards placement success. Five divisions have had 90%+ games played to less than a 4 goal differential. Another ten divisions have been 80%+, and another 7 divisions have been 75%+.

Jill presented 3 post deadline roster additions that need a membership vote for approval to add and be eligible for playoffs.

- a. Allegheny (Riley Schreckengost) – goalie to replace goalie with concussion on girls 14U team
- b. South Hills (Tyler Rush) – replace another injured player at 18U
- c. Wheeling (Addison Grubler) – add to 14U girls team – roster is very short and sister is on team

Motion by Mark Baumgartner, second by Frank Buonomo; approved by majority.

Jill also presented an appeal by the Steel City Renegades to add goalie E Nowicki (2004) to the SCIR 14U A Major Black 414 team. President Glen Scholze presented pertinent information. No motion to approve was received, so the appeal was not approved.

### **DISCIPLINE DIRECTOR**

Director Bryan Imler reported that associations need to report tournament game misconducts. The President's Day weekend yielded 7 GMs so far.

### **RULES**

No report.

### **GROW THE SPORT / MITE HOCKEY**

Director Dave Klasnick was not in attendance. A tentative Mite Planning Committee meeting was announced for March 2. New members to the committee are welcome and should email Dave Klasnick.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **PLAYOFFS**

The following topics were reported as regards playoffs.

- a. Summary host chart – need contact info – will be posted by end of week
  - b. Playoff schedules due by Jan 31
  - c. ODSET confirmation update – 16 teams in so far
  - d. Girls 16U scenario – due to low number of teams it was recommended that no playoffs be held for this division, and only a season banner/medals be awarded
- Motion by Mark Zukowski, second by Amy O'Neill; approved by majority

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Rule change proposals were called for, submitted by March 15.

The placement committee will need new members next season – email Jill Harmon.  
Discipline requested that presidents submit videos of incidents for review by the discipline committee.

Motion to adjourn by Jeff Fleck, second by Frank Buonomo.

Minutes submitted by Executive Director Darcee Purvis.