Pacific District Board of Directors Meeting October 15, 2011

The Annual Meeting for the Pacific District of USA Hockey was held on Saturday the 15th day of October 2011, at Doubletree Suites Hotel in Seattle, Washington.

Madam Chair Donna Kaufman called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

The following persons were present: Dru Hammond, Donna Kaufman, Steve Laing, Natalie McEwen, Dan Rogness, Dennis Sorenson, Mike Sullivan, Darryl Thompson, and Kevin McNaughton.

The following guests were present at the meeting: Steve Stevens – Referee-in-Chief, Kellie Hays – Disabled Hockey.

Donna started the meeting with introducing Dennis Sorenson as the new District Director.

The chair asked for changes to the agenda. District Guide Book was added under old business.

Minutes:

Motion was made by Darryl Thompson, seconded by Mike Sullivan, and unanimously approved the minutes from the Seattle meeting of May 14, 2011.

Treasurers Report:

Charlie Fuertsch was unable to attend the meeting but sent out a complete package for the board to review. The board reviewed the District's financial reports that he emailed to all parties prior to the meeting. The board reviewed the balance sheet, profit & loss statement, bank account reconciliation, block grant reconciliation, boy's development camp, girls' development camp, Kent Festival, and tournament fees.

Mike Sullivan stated that Nevada's \$750 for player development was accidently recorded under Washington and Oregon.

Motion was made by Steve Laing, seconded by Natalie McEwen and unanimously approved the treasurer's report.

Donna reviewed the proposed budget as submitted by Charlie with his recommendations. The board reviewed recommendations and all line items of the budget.

Motion was made by Natalie McEwen, seconded by Mike Sullivan and unanimously approved the budget as presented.

Block Grants

Donna reminder everyone the Block Grant requests need to be prepared and submitted for the February meeting.

Bobby Freeland Grant

Natalie McEwen received and updated the status of the 12 grants outstanding. Typically we have 8 for each year and we rolled over 4 from last year. She has not received summaries back yet, as

it still early in their programs. Natalie also visited with Charlie Fuertsch about setting up a policy with a date structure. This would also set a cut-off dead line and keep the process from dragging further into the season. The applications and policy would be posted on the website. Mike asked if there was a deadline for submitting receipts for final submittal. There currently isn't a dead line.

Time frames suggestions:

March 1 – Opening applications submittal requests

April 15 – Closing the application submittal requests

Darryl Thomson discussed concerns of a tight time line. Some programs are doing their development work during this time. Darryl indicated some programs do not have the vision to look a year or two down the road. This may be a reason programs are not applying for the grant money. Donna suggested opening up the application process on September 1 and leaving it open until April of the following year.

The suggestion was to accept applications throughout the year as money is available. Natalie will work to generate a policy with the opening date of September 1st. It was also discussed what should be done with excess money should all grant funds not get utilized during the year. It is believed the funds will be utilized if the program stays open throughout the year.

Natalie also indicated the applications are not being filled out completely. They just write a few sentences. She is requesting the application be completed properly. Natalie is excited about some of the requests, as these groups are working to build their programs.

Dru Hammond asked if the board members knew about the ADM matching grant funds. She shared an example with Moses Lake association.

Reports

Coaching Program:

Larry Bruyere was not able to attend the meeting. He submitted a written report. Donna Kaufman read the report to the board. (See attached)

There were brief discussions on the closing date of December 31 for coaching certifications and how the information can be obtained from the USA Hockey website. It was suggested if you have any specific questions to contact Larry Bruyere.

Rick Trupp was not able to attend the meeting. He submitted a report. (below)

Alaska Coaching Education Program Update

Joe Doyle, the ADM Pacific representative, and Michelle Amidon, the women's ADM rep, visited Anchorage and Fairbanks during September 10-11 and ran ADM 8U ice sessions, a checking clinic and parent informational meetings. The ice sessions and information delivered was well received by the coaches and parents that attended.

The Alaska District has just begun their coaching education clinics beginning Oct 8th in Anchorage. Many coaches I've talked to haven't started their online modules so I'm encouraging all to get online and started with that certification process.

We will be holding a Level 4 clinic the weekend of Nov 4-6th in Anchorage if there are coaches in the Pacific District that require their level 4 this season and have missed their local area clinic. The Alaska district plans to certify approximately 350-400 coaches before Dec 31st.

Motion was made by Mike Sullivan, seconded by Darryl Thompson and unanimously approved to support Larry Bruyere's selection of Flint Doungchak as his Associate Coach in Chief

Disabled Hockey

Kellie Hays attended the meeting and presented a thorough report to the board. (See attached)

It was discussed the Pacific District should consider working on a disabled hockey festival in a future year. Darryl Thompson asked if there's a breakdown of registration number for disabled hockey or sled hockey participants. Mike Sullivan asked if Kellie had contact information for the different affiliates.

Female Hockey:

Margo Dreyer was not able to attend the meeting. She submitted a written report to all members. Donna Kaufman reviewed the report with the board. (See attached)

Donna announced that October 2nd will be Girl's Hockey Day as a National Event. There were 76 different sites conducting some type of event with 9 activities within the Pacific District.

Player Development:

Boy's Camp

Bruce Urban was not present but provided a report, which discussed player allocations and proposed budget. (See attached) Dennis Sorenson reviewed this information with the board. Dennis reminded the affiliates of the requirement to utilize Rocky Mountain Register for the district camp registration.

Donna also shared some National information breakdown and statistics. She also reviewed how the Pacific District players performed at the National Select camps.

Donna stated there will not be a Select 14 National Camp starting in 2012. The National office is offering an "In-District Development Camp Grant" for funds to support a week long district development camp. This will have a trickledown effect to all the affiliates. It will be extremely expense to have a 14 district camp, especially if there is no place for the player to advance. Dennis, Charlie and Bruce will get together and discuss this month. They may host a conference call with all the affiliate player development representatives.

Steve Laing suggested we promote the Multi-District camp to the 14 & 15 year old parents, so they understand there are other opportunities beyond the National Camp.

Girl's Camp

Margo was not present at the meeting and did not have any report for this section.

Multi-District Camp

Charlie Fuertsch was not able to attend, but provided a written report. (See attached)

Officials Report:

Pacific District

Steve Stevens updated the board on the status of the Pacific District Officials program. They partnered up with a California official's school and certified a record number of officials. These officials have gained more ice and class time. Steve believes it was a very successful school. It was as 3-1/2 day program.

There are some late date seminars coming up, probably in November. Registration is up this year. Steve does not have any information on the Pee Wee "no checking" rule. He also discussed the four man officiating system. Most organizations do not want to pay extra for this system. Where it has been used it seems to have been accepted. Steve indicated the referee development program seems to be working well.

Alaska Report

Chris Milles was not able to attend the meeting, but submitted the following report.

Numbers are on the rise in some areas and appear steady in others, but it is too early to really tell.

Some areas like Fairbanks are using officials for cross-ice games. Anchorage is not so Anchorage is discouraging younger people from registering as there are no games for them.

He has not heard anything regarding the rule book revisions and rule changes so assumes everyone is happy with the off-sides rule and body-contact/checking rules. Although, most Pee Wee teams are just starting games at this point.

Chris also asked about funds for officials travel. Steve discussed how travel funding should be handled within the officiating budget.

Darryl Thompson asked about head contact and if there have been more match penalties. Steve has not seen this yet, as the season is just getting started in his regions.

Player Development continued

There was additional discussion about the cancellation of the 14 National camp. Donna reviewed the dates for the other National camps. Board members commented on concerns about sending players to a district camp without truly knowing a final direction. There is no proposal at the moment, but the thought is to support the 14s going to the multi-district camp in Kent. If this is the case, it needs to be well publicized and promoted to the parents and players. This will be a development camp, not a scouting camping.

Dennis will work with Bruce and Charlie to have a proposal back to the board in seven days. The board will host a conference call to review the proposed options.

Registrar's Report:

Dan Rogness shared with the board the registration summary. See below.

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Dan announced we have District Director elections coming up. Dick Coombs' term is expiring. Nominations need to be to Dan Rogness by December 31, 2012. Should there be more than one nomination, an election will be held as per the district guidebook.

Risk Management:

John Silberstein wasn't able to make the meeting or submit a report. Donna Kaufman stated Charlie Fuertsch is working with John on the addition \$100K writer policy.

Tournaments:

Donna Kaufman presented a spreadsheet with recommendation for the tournament brackets. Each affiliate president reviewed the allocations as presented based on the number of teams they have in the affiliates.

Motion was made by Darryl Thompson, seconded by Mike Sullivan and unanimously approved the tournament allocations for the Tier I youth level.

Youth	ASHA	САНА	OSHA	PNAHA	NAHA	TOTAL	VENUE	Date
Tier I								
12 Under	Х	2	0	1	0	3	Simi Valley	March 7 - 11, 2012
14 Under	1	3	0	2	0	6	Simi Valley	March 7 - 11, 2012
16 Under	2	3	0	2	1	8	LA Kings	March 7 - 11, 2012
18 Under	1	2	0	1	0	4	LA Kings	March 7 - 11, 2012

Motion was made by Darryl Thompson, seconded by Mike Sullivan and unanimously approved the tournament allocations for the Girls' and Women's level.

G/W									
Tier I	ASHA	CAHA	OSHA	PNAHA	NAHA	TOTAL	VENUE	Date	
12 Under		1				1	no tournament needed		
14 Under		2				2	California	TBA	
16 Under	1	2				3	Fairbanks	Feb 22- 26, 2012	
19 Under	1	1				2	Fairbanks	Feb 22- 26, 2012	
Tier II									
12 Under	1	2	0	0		3	Fairbanks	Feb 22- 26, 2012	
14 Under	3	2	0	0		5	Fairbanks	Feb 22- 26, 2012	
16 Under	2	1	0	0		3	Fairbanks	Feb 22- 26, 2012	
19 Under	1	0	0	1		2	Fairbanks	Feb 22- 26, 2012	
Sr. B		2				2	Vacaville, CA	Feb 22- 26, 2012	
Sr. C		2				2	Vacaville, CA	Feb 22- 26, 2012	
30+		1				1	Vacaville, CA	Feb 22- 26, 2012	

Donna reviewed the Tier II locations and proposed affiliate allocations. The affiliates need to respond to the National office by December 31 to which age groups will be participating.

Steve Laing recapped the high school commitments so far from each state. California has seven high school teams in Northern California and seven teams in Southern California. They will have a playoff with two teams from each division.

USA Hockey Discussion

Youth Council

Donna Kaufman reviewed the youth council August conference call. One of the main topics dealt with head checking. She also discussed the Chicago meeting. Reviewed the 2 on 2 challenge. Donna also discussed the welcome back weekend. If your child hadn't register, a voice recording was sent out to parents as a reminder. Try hockey for free is November 5th this year. There should be a lot of advertising with the NHL this year.

Mike Sullivan asked about screen policy for billeting families. Donna indicated people having "regular" contact with the player(s) should be screened.

Juniors

There is a proposal to reformat the Junior council. It might be broken down into caucus.

Multi-District

There will be a meeting at 3:00 on Friday in Orlando, Florida during the winter meeting.

Old Business

Anderson Award bios were presented to the board to be added to the District guidebook.

Motion was made by Steve Laing, seconded by Darryl Thompson and unanimously approved the Anderson bios for the district guidebook.

By-laws

USA Hockey believes, as the District Registrar is an appointed position this person should not be a voting member. Therefore,

Motion was made by Steve Laing, seconded by Dru Hammond and unanimously approved the changes in Article IV, sections 4.01 & 4.02.

Number

Section 4.01. The corporation shall have <u>ten-nine</u> (910) <u>Voting</u> Directors <u>and one</u> (1) <u>Non-Voting</u> <u>Director</u> who shall together be known as the Board of Directors.

Qualifications

Section 4.02. The Directors of the Corporation shall be the Presidents of each Member designated as an affiliate of USA Hockey located with the geographical boundaries of the Pacific District and each USA Hockey Director who is duly elected by the registered members of USA Hockey within the Pacific District ("District Director"), together the "Voting Directors" and the Pacific District Registrar appointed by USA Hockey, the "Non-Voting Director". Any USA Hockey elected Director or Director Emeritus, as that term is defined by USA Hockey, who achieved his status by serving the Pacific District and who resides therein shall be an ex-officio Member of the Board of Directors and all committees of this corporation; provided, however, that no Director Emeritus shall be entitled to vote on any issue coming before the Board or such committees. The Directors of the Corporation shall be residents of the Pacific District.

Motion was made by Dru Hammond, seconded by Steve Laing the changes in Terms of Office, as present by Charlie Fuertsch's email.

Terms of Office

Section 4.06. Each Director shall hold office until such Director's successor is elected and qualifies under Section 4.02 of these Bylaws. In the event a Director resigns or is removed as prescribed by Section 4.09 of these Bylaws, such Director shall hold office until his or her removal and his or her successor is elected and qualifies. of a vacancy created by a District Director's resignation or removal as prescribed by Section 4.09 of these Bylaws, such vacancy may be filled for the remaining term of the predecessor by the Board of Directors at a regular or special meeting subject to approval by USA Hockey. A vacancy created by the resignation or removal of a Member President, shall be filled in accordance with the Bylaws of the Member.

There was discussion on the language and motion made to table.

Motion was made by Darryl Thompson, seconded by Natalie McEwen and unanimously approved to table the Terms of Office motion (above).

Motion was made by Darryl Thompson, seconded by Dru Hammond and unanimously approved the changes in Arctile IV, sections 4.03. (g) Each "Voting" Director is entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote of the Board of Directors and cumulative voting shall not be authorized for any purpose.

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entitled to vote shall not be permitted to vote or act by proxy. Should any Member President be unable to attend either a Regular or Special Meeting of the Board of Directors, that Member shall be allowed to designate in writing prior to the meeting another person to attend or participate. Such person who is attending shall be allowed a vote.

Guidebook changes

Kevin McNaughton and Dan Rogness reviewed the all changes to the guidebook. Vast majority were housekeeping and clean-up.

Motion was made by Natalie McEwen, seconded by Mike Sullivan and unanimously approved the guidebook changes as presented.

New Business

National Tournament Changes

Donna Kaufman shared a couple of National Tournament rule changes. Overtime will have a 3 minute rest period versus 5 minutes and no ice cut after 1st period, just a 2 minute rest period.

Future Meetings:

The next Board of Directors meeting will be February 18, 2011 in Las Vegas, Neveda. Dan Rogness shall advise us of the hotel arrangements.

Annual Meeting – May 19th in Seattle, WA. It will be at the Double Tree Suites, in Seattle, Washington.

Board Member Comments:

Mike Sullivan – Nevada is having an ADM clinic on Monday, the subject is body checking.

Darryl Thompson – Alaska is see growing pains on the head contact rule. Concussion head injury program is now mandated by the high schools for all activities.

Steve Laing – California is having some issues with tag up rule, asked Steve Stevens to help. They are putting together a concussion head injury program. He got a call from Kevin McLaughlin indicating USAH is considering a National protocol.

Natalie McEwen – Oregon has a new CIC – Flint Doungchak. First coach's symposium and ADM is next weekend in Eugene. He is getting more involved. Oregon is just starting their season.

Dru Hammond – PHANA is having an ADM clinic with Joe Doyle on Nov 18-20. At their June meeting PNAHA approved the full ADM program for 2012-13 season. One major program may not be interested. Dru has a committee working on what a 100% program will look like and sanctions if programs do not come on board. Kent ice rink has apparently gone into receivership. Hopefully this will not cause us a problem with our district evaluation camps.

Donna Kaufman asked if the affiliate presidents would provide her with a list of their board meeting dates.

Motion was made by Dru Hammond, seconded by Natalie McEwen and unanimously approved to adjourn at 3:57pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin McNaughton

USA Hockey Pacific District October 15th 2011 Meeting Coach in Chief Report

2011 has been the busiest year for the coaching program since I have been involved. With the LTAD and ADM being implemented along with the coaching program's new curriculum and new process for certification, it has been extremely busy, confusing and exciting at the same time.

We have fielded a record number of phone calls and emails from coaches all around the district asking questions about their certification and the new process. Needless to say that with all of the changes, the questions have been plentiful.

Probably the most significant parts of the coaching certification changes are:

- a) The old CEP requirements that dictated the levels coaches needed to achieve to coach certain teams is no longer in place
- b) Coaches are required to now take the age specific modules and it applies to every level they are registered to coach.
- c) Coaches cannot take multiple classes in the same year and they will not have to in order to qualify to coach.

As a result of the new system going into effect this season, we were not able to post our CEP clinics until after the first of Sept. The Pacific District Level IV was held in early Sept rather than the usual late August and we had approx. 90 coaches in attendance.

Since I officially became the Pacific District CIC, I have not officially had an Associate CIC and it is time. We have listed several people over the years, but we really need to bring on and utilize that position. I have spoken to Flint Doungchak (Eugene, OR) and he has not only worked very diligently the last couple of years to get his region in order, but he has shown an interest in getting more involved with the CEP Program. I would like to officially propose that Flint take on the associate CIC position and with the District's confirmation, I will memorialize it with the National office.

I will be in Eugene OR next week (Oct 22-23) for our first ever special clinic series that will include information regarding ADM and "Checking the Right Way" information that speaks to the new Pee wee checking issues.

Larry Bruyere
Pacific District CIC

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Current Programs

Nationwide, Special Hockey currently has 50+ programs, comprised of over 100 teams. We've identified 6 Special Hockey programs in the Pacific District:

CA - Los Angeles Contact: Rita Eagle, California Condors

CA – Pasadena Contact: Pasadena Maple Leafs

CA - Oakland/San Jose Ice Contact: David Hicks

OR – Eugene Contact: Kellie Hays, Eugene Jr. Generals

OR - Portland (devt) Contact: Bryan Roeder

WA- Spokane/Gonzaga Contact: Dr. Mark Derby, Gonzaga Bulldogs

Nationwide, Sled Hockey has approximately 90 programs, with 12 Sled Hockey programs in Pacific District, in various stages of development:

CA - San Diego Contact: Tricia Betts

CA – Ontario Contact: Todd and Christie Jenkins, Arctic Wildcats

CA – Oxnard Contact: Mel and Rhonda Waidmann

CA – Bakersfield Contact: Scotty Hay

CA - Oakland/San Jose Contact: Trooper Johnson, Melissa Fitzgerald

CA – Sacramento Contact: Steve Hornsey, Ray Free, Sacramento Lightning

OR – Eugene (devt) Contact: Kellie Hays, Eugene Jr. Generals

OR – Portland (devt) Contact: Lester Sparks, Jill Boeschenstein, Ben Stadey,

Jim Keene

NV - Las Vegas Contact: Barbara Chambers, Paralympic Sport Club

NV – Reno Contact: April Wolfe

AK – Anchorage Contact: Jeff Dick, Alaska Avalanche

WA - Seattle (devt) Contact: Tami English – Seattle Adaptive Sports

Kody Doty

At the USAHockey Congress, the 2012 Disabled Festival site of Dallas, TX was determined. Most likely the Disabled Festival will be held on the East Coast in 2013. I would like to see Pacific District apply to host the 2014 Disabled Festival, with applications due May 1, 2012. As new disabled programs are being established within the district, we need these programs to connect with USAHockey and register their participants.

Within the district, Sled Hockey has been the focus for the past few months as new administrators have requested information to host clinics and learn how to get a sled hockey program started. Todd and Christie Jenkins hosted a sled clinic held in Riverside in September in which 50+ participants tried out sled hockey. The Waidmann family from Oxnard participated and are now establishing a program in their area. A potential sled hockey clinic in late January or February may include one day in Oxnard, and a second day in Bakersfield.

We coordinated a Western States Sled Hockey Administrators Workshop in Las Vegas on October 7-9. Participants included administrators from CA (Bakersfield, Riverside, Oxnard, Oakland), WA (Seattle), OR (Eugene), NV (Las Vegas) as well as administrators from other states. Subject matter included fundraising, how to establish a program, disabled hockey training materials, on- and off- ice coaching

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instruction, equipment needs, etc. The resources USAHockey provides and the link to registering all participants with USAHockey was a key message of the workshop. As a result of the workshop, we will see increased communication between programs, sharing of resources, and increased USAHockey registration. A private Facebook group for Pac District administrators was established to answer FAQs that all groups can access.

Goals

- Determine USA Hockey registration status of each program, distribute information to manually register first year participants (free) as well as registering coaches and mentors.
- Transition existing sled hockey clinic locations into USAHockey registered programs.
- Enhance the communication between the programs, helping programs to access resources.
- Update District Website with registered programs located within district.
- Special: Develop regional tournaments.
- Sled: Grow programs to develop a league format in the West.

Where Help Is Needed

- Is there a location/area within district to host 2014 Disabled Festival. Recommended 3 -4 sheets of ice.
- Help identify more existing Special/Sled programs to build network.
- Communicate information regarding programs, contacts, grants, opportunities.
- Disabled hockey requires equipment for youth *and adults* so programs are often looking for equipment at discounted rates.

Upcoming Tournaments/Workshops

Special:

SHI - Special Hockey 2012 London USA Hockey Disabled Festival April 2012 Dallas, TX Determine which teams can send a team, determine feasibility for combined teams West Coast/Local: Utah proposed for this year

Sled:

Train the Trainer clinic in Las Vegas, October 8,9,10, with USA National Sled Hockey team USA Hockey Disabled Festival April 2012, Dallas, TX Determine which teams can send a team, determine feasibility for combined teams

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Resources

Special:

Implementation Guide (downloaded online) by Tracy Tucker in Colorado National Conference Calls ASHA grants New United Commercial Travelers (UCT) Association partnership

Sled:

Sled Hockey Newsletter Sled Hockey Manual 177 pages West Coast Conference Call facilitated by Norm Page and JJ O'Connor Lend-a-sled (clinics) and Sled Grant (programs) Coaching Manual and DVD

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Pacific District Girls/Women's Report

September 23, 2011

 2011 Total Female Registration numbers in the Pacific District according to USA Hockey Statistics – 4574

District	State	Total	20&over	19	17-18	15-16	13-14	11-12	9-10	7-8	6&U
Pacific	AK	1,870	926	15	65	112	138	132	165	133	184
Pacific	CA	1,661	962	23	78	85	113	126	114	88	72
Pacific	NV	87	27	2	4	9	12	10	5	10	8
Pacific	OR	104	51	1	8	9	10	8	4	7	6
Pacific	WA	852	509	10	26	51	48	34	56	56	62

2) Happenings in the District –

<u>Alaska</u>

- ➤ ADM clinic was held in Anchorage Sept 3 with 45 girls in attendance. The turnout was great and the association is planning on making this an annual event.
- Alaska is starting, Oct 1, free weekly hockey skills clinics for girls and women of all ages, to celebrate girls hockey day 10/2. Girls/women that bring a friend that's new to hockey get a free Alaska girls hockey t-shirt. Girls/women that join their first team receive a gear donation.

California

Women's Wine Tasting Tournament – Vacaville, California - The 2nd Annual USA Hockey Women and Wine Tournament took place at Vacaville Ice Sports in California during the weekend of August 5th.

There were 11 teams who participated in this year's event, all from California. Teams received a gift basket with local wines, cheese and crackers to enjoy throughout the weekend, as well as a USA Hockey hat for each player. Games were played closely this year, with 5 games ending in either a shootout or overtime, including the Silver division championship game, the last of the weekend.

Championship teams were; Beginner Division- San Jose Blacklist, Bronze Division-Bay Area Raptors, and Silver Division- Champagne Bubbles. Players on each championship team received a USA Hockey equipment bag.

- We're looking forward to returning to Vacaville for the 3rd Annual Women and Wine tournament in 2012 and expecting the event to grow again in its 3rd year.
- August found an ADM clinic held for 8U/10U in Westminster, Ca. Parents were onboard with the clinic and additional clinics are in the works for next year.
- Anaheim Ice is hosting an ADM Girls hockey day on the October 1.
- > San Diego area is currently working on an ADM clinic for Girls hockey day.
- San Jose Jr. Sharks are doing an ADM on October 2.
- CAHA South Girls' Weekend on Oct. 7-9 2011 will be hosted by the Lady Reign.
- ➤ MLK Tournament Jan 13-16, 2012 hosted by San Jose Jr. Sharks
- > January will find ADM being presented in Northern California for the 12U girls.

<u>Nevada</u>

- NV Heat is running a clinic plus a 3 on 3 for Girls & Women. They have 12 girls and 9 women who come out to play weekly.
- ➤ NV Heat is planning girls' skate day Oct 2. They are having a sign up/register skate for free night 2/3 of the ice is free skate and 1/3 is try hockey.... they received some glow in the dark pucks and are using it to kick off Halloween (a huge holiday in Las Vegas as it is Nevada Day) should be fun and great networking!
- In November the NV Heat have teamed up with Jr. Wranglers to host a Give Hockey a Try Day.

Oregon

The girls program is not functional at this time in Oregon. Natalie has asked the Jr. Hawks to bring the girls into their association and create girls teams, but she is unsure as to where this process is at the moment.

Washington

➤ 14U WWFHA held its second clinic this summer with resounding success! 15 girls ranging in age from 8 to 14 donned the jerseys and attended the hockey skills clinic on August 28 at the Kingsgate Arena.

3) Growth Coordinators -

Alaska – Kim Rupp California – Bridget Hopkinson Nevada – Carrie White Oregon – Washington – Shirley Williamson

4) ADM Coordinators -

Alaska – none
California – South, Kathy McGarrigle
North, Emily Teachout
Nevada – Carrie White
Oregon – none
Washington - none

Thanks to all that are helping to make female hockey in this District successful!

Repectfully,

Margo Dreyer Pacific Girls/Women's Section Rep



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October 15, 2011

TO: Pacific District Board of Directors

SUBJECT: 2012 Player Allocations and Proposed Budget

First of all, I apologize for not being able to attend the Fall Board Meeting. As a past board member I know how important it is to attend these meetings. It is always better to be there in person as face to face discussions are more productive than alternative methods. As most of you know it is a very important birthday in the family and I thought it would be very nice if I was there to share in the festivities. With all that said, I will get to the business reason for this memo.

Attached are the player allocations and proposed budget for the 2012 Boys Player Development Camp. The player allocations are for the most part the same as they have been for several years if not longer. There are several things to remember regarding the allocations. First these numbers may very well change as the Affiliate Camps and registrations unfold. For example, some Affiliates may not be able to fill their allocations. Those unfilled spots will go to other Affiliates who have alternates in a particular age group and position. Also some at-large spots may not be needed especially in the younger age groups where most of the better players are still playing within their Affiliate and have not left home to play elsewhere. Finally if there are enough players at the 17's trying out at the Affiliate level then additional slots will be added to the District Camp as in past years.

A couple of things to remember for the Affiliates when preparing for your respective camp;

- 1. To guarantee a spot to the District Camp an Affiliate player playing outside of the district or any injured player needs to be evaluated by the Affiliate and placed on their respective roster.
- 2. A player from another District playing within your Affiliate is not permitted to try out for the Pacific District. They must tryout in their home District. This is a USA Hockey rule.

The proposed budget is just that, proposed. It is based largely on previous years' expenses. The hotel has already been secured with the fees as the same as last year. I am currently working with ABC Travel attempting to secure airfares the same or lower than last year. I have made contact with the rink and expect the costs to be the same or very similar as last year. Those are the major expenses. Most of the other expenses should be pretty much the same. The revenue

side is based on the allocations as presented. If anything the revenue may increase depending on the allocation additions.

The cost for each player is being held at the same as last year with the exception of the At-Large players. That cost has increased by \$25.

Alaska	\$850
California	\$650
Nevada	\$650
Oregon	\$525
Washington	\$525
At-Large	\$525

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Urban

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	1995	1996	1997	1998		1995	1996	1997	1998	
Alaska	17	20	21	21		216	231	249	273	
California	17	20	21	21		684	637	743	707	
Nevada	6	6	6	7		14	26	26	38	
Oregon	6	6	6	7		53	43	63	45	
Washington	17	20	21	21		187	198	234	238	
At-Large	5	8	5	3						
Totals	68	80	80	80		1154	1135	1315	1301	
		1995								
	Defense	Forwards	Goalies	Total			Defense	Forward	Goalies	Total
Alaska	6	9	2	17	Alaska		6	12	2	
California	6	9	2	17	California		6	12		20
Nevada	2	3	1	6	Nevada		2	3		_
Oregon	2	3	1	6	Oregon		2	3		6
Washington	6	9	2	17	Washington		6	12	2	
At-Large	2	3	0	5	At-Large		2	6		
Totals	24	36	8	68	Totals		24	48	8	80
		1997						1998		
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Alaska	6	13	2	21	Alaska	-	6	13		
California	6	13	2	21	California		6	13		+
Nevada	2	3	1	6	Nevada		2	4		7
Oregon	2	3	1	6	Oregon		2	4		7
Washington	6	13	2	21	Washington		6			
At-Large	2	3	0		At-Large		2	1		
Totals	24	48			Totals		24	48		

2011 Multi-District Select Festivals Report

The 2011 Multi-District Select Festivals were held July 28-31 (14Year Olds) and August 4-7 (15 Year Olds) at Kent State University in Kent, Ohio. The purpose of the festivals is to give the top twenty ranked players from each of the Atlantic, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mid-Am, Pacific and Southeastern districts, who were not selected for the USA Hockey player development camps, an alternate opportunity to showcase their talents. I attended both weekends and found the Festivals to be well organized and highly competitive.

Unfortunately, for the second year in a row, the Pacific District was unable to field a team at the 15 Year Old level and it was a struggle to field a 14 Year Old team.

15 Year Old Festival:

We were able to recruit an excellent coach for the 15 Year Old team in Flint Doungchak. Flint is the general manager of the Eugene Generals and a deputy commissioner of NORPAC. He has over 30 year hockey experience and has participated in the Pacific District Select Camps and USA Hockey National Development Camps at the 14 and 15 Year Old Level.

Unfortunately, despite several weeks of effort by Bruce Urban and Flint to encourage players to participate, and going deep down into the rankings list, only 10 players registered for the team (no goalies). As a result, I had to withdraw our team from the Festival. Reasons given for not participating ranged from vacation and tryout conflicts, anger at not being selected for the National Development Camp, conflict with the USHL Combine (which none of these players were invited to, but were hoping) to a general lack of interest.

As a result of the cancellation, the District incurred expenses for airline change fees for players and family members who had purchased non-refundable tickets in reliance on their acceptance to the festival. Since the cancellation was not their fault, it wasn't reasonable for them ask them to eat those costs (only change fees were paid since the tickets could still be used). The District also had to incur the Rocky Mountain Registration fees paid by the players who were given a full refund. The \$1,000 District contribution was used the majority of these expenses but none of the \$2,000 approved Block Grant funds for the Multi-District Select 15 Team was used.

14 Year Old Festival:

At the 14 Year Old level we had problems both in recruiting players and finding a qualified coach. Fortunately, at the last minute, Flint was able to change his schedule

and agreed to coach the 14 Year Olds. Again it took several weeks of effort and going deep into the rankings list, but we were able to sign 15 players to the team, including 1 goalie. At Flint's request we also added two 15 Year olds to the roster to give us 3 full lines and help offset some costs. They were not a factor in the outcome of any of the games. Since we had to go so far down into the rankings list, the team fielded by the Pacific District was not as competitive as I would have liked. Although they played their hearts out, we were no match for the likes of Michigan, Atlantic and Mid-Am. We played 5 games and won our two games against Southeastern and ended up in 4th place (out of 5 – Massachusetts did not participate at the 14 Year Old level for many of the same reason we did not participate at the 15 Year Old level).

The players and parents that did attend the festival said it was a great experience and were appreciative of the opportunity to participate. Without exception, they had praise for the job Flint did in working with each player to develop their skills.

Future Participation

Based on the difficulties we have experienced over the last two years in putting together teams for the festivals, my recommendation was going to be for the Pacific District to decline participation in future festivals. After further reflection, I still think the Multi-District festivals are a great developmental opportunity for the players and I would like to see us continue to participate.

Somehow we need to educate the parents and players to the benefits of the festivals and encourage participation. I am open to any suggestions. Maybe we focus just on the 14 Year Old level next year and try and build from there.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Fuertsch, Director