



Wisconsin Amateur Hockey Association, Inc.

Tier 1 Committee Report

The Tier 1 season went well this season, but found some associations struggling to fill teams at some levels or be competitive with the teams that they put forth. As approval of applications for the 2020-21 went out, a note was added to each association letting them know that we will be doing a review with them all at the end of the season to review the strength of each association and decide if they should be allowed to field teams at every level. State playoff weekend went fairly smooth in Sun Prairie, with Team Wisconsin winning 4 divisions, Green Bay winning 2 divisions, Madison Capitols winning 1 division (14U Girls), and Jr Admirals did not win a division.

The Tier 1 committee met to discuss some issues and concerns for the 2020-21 season, and we have a couple of topics that we would like to discuss that I will talk about last. We discussed the verbiage that we currently use on the "early player card" form, that we decided to work on at a later date. A couple of people have been working very hard to create a schedule for the Tier 1 playoffs for this season, that would work for all programs, but we talked through it and do not think that it would be in the best interest of all programs to move forward. The State playoffs and Central District dates have not been set in stone at this time.

Subjects to discuss –

- Regular season player cards signing. With the pandemic situation, teams are not able to hold tryouts at their regular scheduled time. **Recommendation brought forward by the committee to delay this date until June 15, 2020, to allow all programs equal preparation to move forward. Date was approved by the WAHA board and the June 15 date was used for this season.**
- Before season end date. Last season we put a date out of October 1st as the end of the before season for all programs. **To help make it a clean end date and not have the season end in the middle of the week, we are bringing forward a recommendation of ending the season at on the 1st Sunday in October. Recommendation was approved and the 1st Sunday of October will be the date used.**
- Green Bay and Milwaukee ran a tournament at the end of the season for the 2006-2010 age groups that Madison chose not to attend. This is not a WAHA supported tournament and the programs have been asked to change the name of the tournament.

Tim Pickart – WAHA Tier 1 Chair