



USA Floorball Board Meeting

USA Floorball Board Meeting Notes May 8, 2018, 9.00 AM PST

Participants; David Nilsson, Calle Karlsson, Adam Troy, Vince Faso, Kim Aaltonen, Alyssa Zinsser.

1. Approve meeting agenda and select note taker.

- Agenda approved and David Nilsson selected to lead the meeting and take notes. Quorum requirements were met.

2. U19 Womens (Anders Buvarp)

- Report from Anders Buvarp:
Preparations for the U19 WFC 2018 in St. Gallen & Herisau, May 2-6 is progressing according to plan.

The team consisting of 20 players and 10 team officials, photos and associated docs were submitted to IFF on April 3, 2018.

Therapeutic Use Exemptions (TUE) were also submitted on April 3, 2018. IFF is requesting supporting evidence for these TUE, which is being resolved.

The uniform (20 sets) has been ordered from North Side Sports. The team is in possession of 40 pair of socks and eight pennants.

- Calle Karlsson has made a significant donation towards the uniform.
- Floorball Planet has donated 2 sticks per player (40 sticks), 2 chest protectors, 2 pair of kneepads, 2 face masks, one pair of shoes, elbow pads, 30 balls etc.
- The Edelbrock Family has donated 21 stick bags and funds.
- A Minnesota business has donated 27 red, white, blue cotton beanies. The Leuma family organized this.

We are currently selling the replica fan jerseys and promoting the RallyMe fund raiser.

Lodging for 28 people has been confirmed.

Eight U19W players participated in the 2018 Texas Open playing a total of six matches. Two of those were against boys' teams. Thanks to NTFA and Floorball Planet for sponsoring the participation.

On March 16 and March 18, we did drills, skills, and scrimmage at the Floorball Planet rink. On April 3rd, we did drills etc at Laramie Civic Center in Wyoming.

Goalie Coach is coaching Anna/Cassie remotely.

- Comments/discussions on report
 - Anders Buvarp and the coaching team are working hard to be ready for the WFC. Kudos to everyone involved.

3. Women's Team (Alyssa Zinsser)

Discussions concerning potential future camps. No decisions.
Alyssa Zinsser will work with Anders Buvarp on future venues.



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4. Men's Team (Adam Troy)

Discussions concerning U19 and Men's Team organizations. No decisions.

5. Tournaments (2018)

- See <http://www.usafloorball.org/tournaments/>
- Texas Open
 - See Kim Aaltonen's update below.
- US Nationals – August 24 – 26, 2018 in Tomah, WI
 - Calle Karlsson says registration will open very soon. Budgets are being reviewed.
 - Kim Aaltonen suggested we have an open board meeting in conjunction with the Nationals.
- Comments/discussions on the topic
 - David Nilsson wanted a two tier tournament structure with Sanctioned and non-Sanctioned tournaments. Kim Aaltonen suggested using a "Regional" label instead of non-sanctioned. Calle described what the requirements and support from USA Floorball included for sanctioned events.
 - Calle Karlsson will work with Zack Geiser to split the current Tournament tab, on the website, into Sanctioned and Regional listings; where the Sanctioned section would include a description of the requirements and support from USA Floorball.

6. Web Site/Facebook (Zack Geiser)

Vince Faso asked about social media success. Anders Buvarp/David Crawford's concept of player presentation of the U19 W on Facebook was liked and should be consider for all the future national teams.

7. Referees (Vince Faso)

- Report from Vince Faso:

Noticing an increase in the use of the N. American Referees Facebook group. Lots of good discussions and debates happening.
- Comments/discussions on report
 - Vince Faso is working on preparations for the Nationals.

8. Regional Updates

• South-West Update (Kim Aaltonen)

- ◆ Report from Kim Aaltonen:

Competitive activities (leagues, tournaments etc)

Adult Winter Lightning league ended with playoffs on 5th March. The winner of the team competition was Timberview FC, and the winner of the goalie competition was Brian Radichel.

The first Texas Open floorball tournament (both adult and youth divisions) was held 16th-17th March at Elzie Odom in Arlington. The event was successful despite late fall-out of expected teams. The youth division ended up with two competing teams, where Ely MN claimed victory over the Kids Crushers after a 2-1 win in the 3-game series. The adult division was competitive with 5 teams, and here Dallas beat California in the final.



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The formal NTFA Adult Spring league started on 19th March. League runs with 4 teams for 9 weeks + 2 weeks of playoff.

The traditional SW US Championship tournament in Keene will take place on 22nd of April.

Administrative, development & other activities

NTFA membership renewed and the new annual membership starting 1/1/2018 is \$20 per player (adult and youth), with registration started 1/1/2018.

New youth floorball after-school club kicked off in Westlake.

Discussion ongoing about setting up a summer youth league at FieldHouse USA, but not confirmed yet.

NTFA has purchased a set of boards to lower variable cost for running the league, and will start selling sponsorships.

- **Comments/discussions on report**
 - David Nilsson asked about Texas Open Lessons Learned: Kim Aaltonen highlighted two areas;
 1. The event should not be scheduled during a Spring Break.
 2. To give people more time; the process needs to start earlier.
- **Mid-West Update (Anders Buvarp)**
 - ◆ Report from Anders Buvarp:
Started a new group in Wyoming, see:
<http://www.usafloorball.org/.../wy.../laramie-outlaws-floorball/>

Jyri Koivisto is organizing two separate tournaments in June in Utah.

9. Any Other Business.

- Club Template [Alyssa Zinsser]
 - The Venezuelan Federation Of Floorball Internationals Relations and Alyssa Zinsser discussed collection and dissemination of club and player data.
 - Calle Karlsson described how the esportdesk PoC was progressing. It is in beta and described and used under <http://www.usafloorball.org/membership/>.
 - David Nilsson asked about Data Privacy.

10. Schedule next meeting.

- Sunday May 6, 2018, at 9.00 AM PST

11. Close meeting

- David Nilsson adjourned the meeting.