

Michigan Senior Women's Hockey League

Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 18, 2015

Attendees: Sarah Jacobsen (Freeze), Sarah Parker (Freeze), Tammy Callahan (Stingrays), Sally Callaghan (Black Ice), Renee LeBlanc (TOT²), Kerri Kelly (Bombshells), Lisa Parsons (Freeze, Ice Gators), Kathy Ostrowski (Ice Gators), Patti DeBono (Ice Gators), Kelli Carrier (Ice Gators), Kristina Lince (Hawks C), Amanda Nemeth (Hawks C), Meg Foley (Swarm), Lisa Shattuck (TOT), D'Anne McNeil (TOT), Melanie Bidwell (Rampage), Kristin Ricketts (TOT), Brenda Adams (TOT), Tammy Rogers (TOT/ Metro Blades)

Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President S. Jacobsen

- I. Approval of 7/14/15 minutes (S. Callaghan motion, R. LeBlanc second)
- II. Treasurer's report (T. Callahan)
Current Balance: \$8704.23
 - A. Withdrawals: \$441.37 (MAHA conference expenses): \$7.74 (office supplies)
 - B. Deposits: \$173.66 (refund charge from MAHA conference)
- III. Old Business
 - A. Finalization of board meeting venue, dates, locations for 2015/2016 season
 1. Meetings for 2015-16 will be changed to the 2nd Wednesday of each month, at the Southfield Civic Center, 20700 Civic Center Drive, Southfield, 4th floor, 7pm, from October through July
 2. The room seats about 25 people at a cost of \$25 per night and has wifi.
 - B. Handbook revisions for 2015-16
 1. Managers will be notified when handbook updates are complete
 2. Updates will reflect the addition of Division Zero
 - C. Team Applications/rosters for 2015-16 season. Forty-three applications/rosters were received over past month, and were reviewed last week in closed board meeting. Seven proposed divisions were created and announced this past weekend. Managers have two weeks (until midnight Aug. 30) during which to file a division assignment appeal if so desired.
 - D. Online registration updates
 1. Managers will be notified when online registration is available (likely within the week or minimally by Sept. 1)
 2. Team appeals must be settled before online registration because players are registered by team.
 3. All player registrations must be completed by Oct 1 and/or before their team's first game is played.
 - E. Ruicci Cup date confirmed for March 31- April 3 at Eddie Edgar in Livonia
- IV. New Business
 - A. New Manager's checklist were distributed and reviewed with new managers
 1. Carol Schwanger has offered to serve as the league registrar again for the 2015-16 season. Teams may choose to use their own registrar, but the stamped roster must be submitted to Carol and the Division Director as proof of occurrence.

2. Scoresheets may be faxed or email or texted. Hard copies should be kept, but do not need to be mailed to the division director.
3. Players added after the original roster must be added to a supplemental roster and re-submitted to registrar.
4. Division of 6 teams should reserve ice for a 20 game season (10 home, 10 away). Divisions of 7 teams should reserve ice for a 24 game season (12 home, 12 away). Additional games and scrimmages may be scheduled at the manager's discretion but will not be used for league standings.
5. Managers and treasurers (ideally not the same person) should strive for transparency in bookkeeping to avoid conflict.
6. Scorekeepers are minor officials and should be trained as such. The scoresheets must be completely and legibly filled out, with stickers used for player's names and numbers (in numerical order).
7. Winning team reserves white copy of scoresheet and submits it to the division director within 48-72 hours of the game completion. Scanned or in some cases text (SMS) copies are acceptable.

B. General Appeals

1. Goody 2 Shoes – request for three 18 y.o. players Approved, 6-0 (1 absent)
2. TOT - appeal to move from D6 to D5 Approved, 5-1 (1 absent)

C. Player Eligibility Appeals

1. Goody 2 Shoes - M. Collins, approved 6-1. R. Partee, approved 4-3
2. Metro Blades - K. Porter, approved 7-0.
3. Fusion - A. Smith, approved 7-0
4. Motor City Crush - K. Hultman, approved 7-0
5. Epcot Ducks - L. Woog, approved 7-0 (only as a skater, not as a goalie)
6. TOT - N. Wilson, denied 6-1
7. Detroit Blades - S. King, approved 6-1
8. Ice Gators - T. Louis, approved 7-0, R. Miller, approved 7-0,
J. Bushart, approved 7-0, K. Campbell, approved 7-0
9. Ice Breakers - L. Clegg, denied 7-0
10. Spittin' Chicklets - K. Carnegi, approved 7-0
11. Storm - C. Jaekle, denied 7-0

V. Other

A. Consideration of transgendered players

1. Compliance with USA and MAHA rules (if they exist) will be followed.
2. R. LeBlanc will contact MAHA attorney to research and report at next meeting

B. Meg Foley (Swarm) expressed concern that scoresheet/stats were not accurately recorded on website last year. S. Jacobsen offered to review all Swarm scoresheets from 2014-15 and make corrections. She also ensured her that each Division Director will be trained in accurately entering game stats.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:41 p.m. (motion by T. Callahan, second by S. Parker.)

Next Meeting: Scheduled for September 8, 2015, 7:00pm, Thurston High School, 26255 Schoolcraft, Redford, MI. At least one manager is required to attend. Please bring ice sheet schedule and registration cash or check for \$50 payable to MSWHL.

Respectfully submitted, Sally Shaffer Callaghan, Secretary