



A quorum being present, a Massachusetts Hockey annual meeting as listed in the Massachusetts Hockey Guide Book 2016-2017 Calendar of Events, was called to order at 9:01AM on Sunday, June 18, 2017, by John Tobin, President, at the Hotel 1620, Plymouth, Massachusetts. Of 69 eligible members, an attendance recorded by the Secretary included 49 voting members having signed in.

Called to order at 9:01am by John Tobin

Happy Father's Day to all the fathers in attendance.

John spoke of the Hall of Fame/Awards Dinner and it's success as well as the work Kevin, Liz and Greg did putting it together.

Moment of silence for Gordon Blaney, Charles Mitenny, and all members of Massachusetts Hockey families that passed away.

John acknowledged the past four years Mindy O'Neil served as Secretary. Don Derosia was acknowledged for his hard work.

Rick Fask has resigned from the BOD and has moved to Florida. He will be sent a gift for his hard work. Nick McCummings spoke on Rick's behalf thanking the membership for all their support. DJ Briggs also spoke about Rick's work.

John read a list of accomplishments: numbers up slightly, lower level numbers are strong. Annual guide revised. Tournament guide separate. Number of meeting reduced. The work of this board is done in committees. The goal of less meeting was to use the time to get things done in committees. John is open to suggestions and is more than willing to make changes. People are welcome to speak at board meetings. Annual meeting has been restructured. Annual awards/HOF have been combined. Joe Bertagna will MC next year's event. Association Seminar was a success. Chris Mayer has done a great job with Safe sport. Appointed new counsel in Maura Sheehan. Hired a Communications Coordinator. Website is updated. Have a social media platform. Reduced paperwork. Expanded our state tournaments from 15-48. Revive parent awareness committee headed up by Tim McMahon and Dave Moses. Gave out \$15000 to local programs. Cheever license plate money continues to be distributed. Concussion wallet card will be distributed soon along with "Heads up Don't Duck" posters. Maintained financial strength: \$400000 invested in USA Foundation . 1 million in cash in our bank account. No dues increase. As a non-profit, we can't increase our reserves and need to spend the money. Hired new auditing firm.

Goals for next year: Continue to improve and streamline our systems. Long range will look at our governance. We need to look at how we govern and represent our members. There is a provision in the budget for a third person who will work with the parent committee. The job will change as does Kevin and Liz's. We need to find new members and need to look at diverse communities for these members. Would like to get over 50000 players soon. Looks forward to representing Massachusetts at USA Hockey.



Kevin Kavanagh: staff and leadership of Mass Hockey working together to keep us a leader in the industry. We are all part of the success. Thank you for the opportunity to do what we do to make us successful. Thanks Liz for her hard work and especially for the Hall of Fame dinner work. The work of the staff is event driven. 20% of our membership will have the opportunity to compete for a state title. Steve has done a great job working with the districts to put on the tournaments. Leadership conference was a great success. Communications is a strong point from the staff. 18 newsletters have been sent. Have done girls specific newsletters. Information is very important to get to our membership. Partnerships will continue to grow in the next year. We have strong consistent group of leaders. We are a successful business.

Committee reports are online. Mike Bonish stated that the Tier 1 and Tier 2 national bound registration is open.

Treasurers report: First time he's presented a budget with negative bottom line. 7 years with no fee changes. Looking to add third position to work with town programs. Budget has a \$12000 deficit. 13% return on money invested in USA Foundation. Looking to do conferences on Zoom to reduce travel and meeting room rental. Motion to approve budget by Buddy LaFleur, Second by Alan Wright. Approved by verbal vote.

Dave Moses gave audit report.

Jay O'Neil- legislative proposals:

Rules 1 & 7 bundled for voters. Motion/second to approved bundle. Motion to amend to correct the section and page for rule 1 by Dan Esdale second by Jim Maimone approved 72%. Vote on 1 and 7 as amended: 72% approval

Motion to table proposal 2 by Jim Maimone/second Phil Zona. Motion accepted. Vote: approval 73%

Motion to table rule 3 by Jeff Brown: vote to table: 94% approval

Proposal 4: discussion by Jeff Brown regarding a situation that would relate to the rule. Motion to approve 4 as written. Vote: 80% approved

Proposal 5: motion to approve Greg Sophis second by Mindy O'Neil. Vote: 79% approval

Proposal 6: motion to accept/second: 88% approval

Proposal 8: Chris Mayer in support of the rule. Motion to amend rule to give money to parent awareness by Don Derosia, second by Jim Maimone. After discussion, amendment withdrawn. Motion to approve as written Don Derosia, second by Chris Holden. Vote on rule: 8 as written. 65% approved 33% disapprove 4%abstain. Did not pass.

Acknowledged Jim Maimone's two years on the Eeboard as an At Large Member.



Mark Lissner: Nominations finalized at March meeting. Voting will be for Eboard, Eboard At Large and USA director. President, 1st vp, 2nd vp, 3rd vp, 4th vp, 5th vp, Secretary, Treasurer, USA Direct, At Large director.

President election: Chip spoke regarding his background with MA Hockey. John spoke of the future of Mass Hockey as a professional business. Motion for paper ballot by Chip second by Peter, vote: 24% approve 76% disapprove. VOTE for president via electronic vote: 63% for Tobin - 38% for Bradbury

Uncontested election for 1st VP – Mike Bonish , 2nd Don Derosia, 3rd VP Chris Mayer, 4th VP Phil Zona, 5th VP – Jay O’Neil VP’s, Treasurer – Greg Sophis, Secretary – Bob Joyce. As Secretary, Mindy O’Neil cast one vote in favor. All elected.

USA hockey director- Chip removed name. As Secretary, Mindy O’Neil cast one vote in favor of Tom McGrath.

Two At large position on Eboard: Tim McMahon , Dave Moses, Chris Holden, Tom McGrath spoke to their nominations. No majority vote. Dropped lowest vote getter Tim McMahon and BOD voted again. Tom McGrath with majority elected to first at large seat. Second seat no majority. Dropped lowest vote getter Tim McMahon and BOD voted again. Dave Moses elected to second at USA hockey information from Colorado will be on the website within the next week or so. Meeting dates for next year will be 9/11, 11/6, 1/8, 3/5.

Annual meeting will be 6/15-17 in Plymouth. John has committee assignment forms. John would like to express appreciation to Liz and Kevin with restaurant gift certificate and flowers.

Old business: Mark spoke of change for penalties that did not happen at USA hockey. Motion/second to allow 1:30 minute penalty if the league wants to allow it. Motion approved by majority hand vote.

Phil Zona: thanked Sportsmanship Award Committee. 70+ applications on the internet. Winners are: Marissa Doherty/Winchester. Shamus Kelley/Norwood. Ryan Johnson/Norwood.

New business: Dennis Doherty: referee raise on the national bound size average\$5-\$8. Motion to approve Mike Bonish second by Don Derosia. Approved by majority hand vote.

Motion to adjourn 10:57.AM