



## **Mahtomedi Youth Hockey Association Board Meeting**

**Date:** June 28, 2020

**Called to Order:** 8:01PM

**In Attendance:** Alex Rogosheske, Brandon Sampair, Joe Curran, Kelly Taff, Cory Huberty, Dan Miller, Craig Mickelson, Pete Moosbrugger, Aaron Pederson, Brent Sorenson.

**Absent:** Abe Appert, Nate Demars, Kelly Reagan, Jesse Sampair

**Prior Meeting Minutes Approval:** May 2020 meeting minutes approved without corrections. Motion made by Brandon Sampair, Second Pete Moosbrugger. Unanimous. Motion passes.

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### **New Business/Member Feedback:**

- **Registration – Mikalynn Hauer**
  - Registration is ready to go and been checked/tested by Alex; registered two (2) of his kids and everything worked fine. Ready to launch Jul 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Registration fees are down 10% from last season due to the contribution/donation from Charitable Gambling.
  - Requested that each board member begin reviewing each of their webpages/updated as needed.
  - Mikalynn and Kim Peterson to work together on implementing the Sports Engine App for all Managers/Coordinators; more effective way to communicate.
  - Registration deadline for traveling teams will be 9/15/2020; Mites, 10/15/2020; Junior Gold will be sometime after the High school tryouts are completed.

### **President's Report (Alex Rogosheske):**

- **Ice/St. Croix/Lilly Lake – 5 Year Contract**
  - 2020-2021 Season 600 hours; next season 400 hours; remaining three (3) 350 hours; which will only cover the boys and girls High school teams.
- **Fall Camp**
  - Alex and Brent continue to work on the Fall Camp; waiting on Nate to confirm ice; preferred day is Thursdays w/groups of nine.
- **By-Laws/Player Handbook 2020-2021 Season**
  - Kelly to update the handbook/By-Laws; no new changes; remove all previous edits/post; Alex to review/approve.
- **Location of Board Meetings**
  - Board meetings will be held at Quinny's; or do a Zoom/Video Conference.

- Continue to support Quinny's & Forster's/Dugout; next board meeting is July 19<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Vice President's Report (Brandon Sampair):**

- **Game Jerseys/Socks**
  - Holly Kutzer, Traveling Teams Jersey Coordinator is not returning this season officially; but is assisting with the transition to Krissy Wright.
  - All extra jerseys and socks are in the shed; surplus of socks, taking inventory.

#### **Treasurer (Joe Curran)**

- **Finance/Budget**
  - \$665K total budget; down from last season; added more ices; took out FHIT; Joe will e-mail out the budget to all board members this week.
  - Ice prices are up 5% from last season
  - Boys and Girls tournaments; boys are 80-90% scheduled; girls are 60%-70% scheduled.
  - Traveling teams Registration fees were reduced by 10% this season due to Charitable Gambling; no changes on Registration Fees for Mites/5U/6U/8U
  - Researching if team funds should be reduced for PeeWee and Squirts but increased for Bantam's.
  - Continue to rent the Zamboni again for this season; confirming rates.

#### **Secretary (Kelly Taff):**

- **E-Mail Blasts**
  - Continue to coordinate with everyone on e-mail blasts. Board members provide the content and I will edit/format and send out.
- **Team/Individual Pictures (Lifetouch)**
  - Team/individual picture date will be in December again; outdoors, traditional team pictures at the DEC; finalize date with the Boys and Girls Traveling Tournament Scheduler(s).
  - Kelly to coordinate efforts w/ Cory on creating a banner; he suggested I work with him; use the same company that uses for the sponsorship banners vs Lifetouch.
- **Chair Positions**
  - Confirmed there are eighteen (18) Chair positions; and one (1) Webmaster position; all are returning except for three (3).
  - Kelly and Tifini Lipovetz, DIBS Coordinator to recruit.

#### **District 2 (Cory Huberty):**

- **D2**
  - If the Minnesota High School league cancels the hockey season, then MN hockey will follow suit and we will cancel
  - White Bear Lake moving to a AA and A team at the Bantam level this season; Stillwater currently has AA and A at the Bantam
  - All coaches CEP numbers need to be on every label this season; confirmed that we already
  - MN hockey is moving towards no full ice games for Mites; discussion is if MN hockey supports this, more kids will move to other programs
  - Cory confirmed that MN Hockey made the decision to add Chisago.
  - Girls programs; Chisago City and Forest Lake will co-op this season.
  - SafeSport to be completed every two (2) years; price \$30
  - Cory will e-mail all D2 rule changes that take place this season
  - Annual elections will be in August; proposed that in the By-laws.
  - Seven (7) days after the meeting minutes are approved, they will be e-mailed out.

**Director of Coaches/Fundraising (Jesse Sampair):** (Absent, e-mail update)

- **Coaching**

- By late summer will begin the process of reaching out to head coach applicants to set up head coach interviews, interviews will be held at Alex's office in mid-September.

- **Fundraising**

- T-Shirts**

- "We Are Mahtomedi Strong" t-shirt fundraiser headed by Lory Keeney ended June 14; raised net income of \$545 for MYHA, according to the fundraiser link. I will follow up with Lory and Lettermen's and confirm that MYHA gets the check; confirm that everyone who ordered received their shirt; \$5 per \$15-shirt sold went direct MYHA; 109 shirts were sold and will confirm numbers with Lory. Thank you to Lory.

- Squirt Fall Fundraiser/September Skate**

- After July 4<sup>th</sup>, Jesse to work to schedule dates/times and open-up registration online for Squirt Skate; similar format as last year: 20 minutes of skating and puck warm-up and 40 minutes of coach-controlled scrimmage. The per hour price to skaters will be the same too (I believe 2019 program price was based on \$30/skater/hour and limited to 30 skaters and four goalies per hour). There are positives and negatives to this format; main goal is still worthy in getting Squirts (especially first year squirts) several full-ice scrimmages right before tryouts as well as a 20-minute skating and skill warm up; last year was very profitable compared to other fundraisers.

- Team Sponsors Chair's Positions**

- Jamie Egan and Tara Redpath (Tara is new this year) will find team sponsors for all girls and boy's teams this year; both will receive 100% DIBs for their families.

**Director of Player Development (Brent Sorenson):**

- **MEGA/Fall Camp**

- Mark Harris continues to transition responsibilities with Brent; Brent Alex working together
- MEGA on Thursdays; Brent to confirm with Scott.
- COVID-19 rules are being discussed; looking into protocols, i.e. taking temperatures etc.
- Discussions continue around moving girls to ProEdge (same as boys); expand FHIT to everyone
- Funding is available for FHIT if we want to still use it; allocated four (4) sessions per boys traveling team last season; determined it was not a huge benefit; may implement ProEdge only for the Mites/5U/6U/8U for the upcoming season; continued discussions/taking suggestions/ideas.
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**Junior Gold (JG) (Abe Appert):** (Absent, e-mail and called in w/update)

- **Tournaments**

- JG would like the four (4) tournaments again this year; they had four (4) last season; one was added later once rosters were finalized; feedback was provided from last years parents/coaches; discussion took place regarding overnight travel/additional costs; JG player pays most per player; out of pockets expenses are higher w/additional tournaments.

- **MOTION** made by Abe Appert to approve four (4) tournaments for both JG16 and JG18 for the 2020-2021 Season. Second by Brent Sorenson. Alex, Brandon, Joe, Kelly, Cory, Dan, Craig, Pete, Aaron and Brent all in favor; Nate not in favor (e-mail vote). Motions passes.

- Discussion on fair play rule; HS aged kids; board vote last season was to allow them to be coached differently; do not follow the fair play rule.

- **JG 18 Jerseys**

- In process of getting all JG18's to the same jersey/personalized; same as JG16's; Per Mikalynn currently set up in the registration to transition this year.

- **Goalies**

- No cuts to JG players; discuss playing time; if there are three (3) or more goalies can waiver out.

- **Senior Night**
  - JG would like Senior Night with the association; website promotion.

## LEVEL DIRECTOR REPORTS

### **Bantam (Nate Demars):** (Absent)

- No Update.

### **PeeWee (Dan Miller):**

- No Update.

### **Squirt (Pete Moosbrugger)**

- Sent an e-mail to all coaches from last season; requested number of teams/leveling for upcoming season; feedback to date; no change from last season.

### **Mite Program (Craig Mickelson):**

- **Mite 2/3**
  - Continue to coordinate efforts with Brent and Mikalynn to transition; Craig has met w/current Mite parents/coaches to get feedback to date; inquired to why we changed to the evaluation/tryout; Alex provided an overview; change was to prepare kids for Squirts; align with other associations that do evaluations/tryouts; leveling Mite teams was to get kids on right teams; more competitive games.
  - Feedback was that parents were discouraged by the change; continued discussions.

### **Girls Program (Kelly Reagan)** (Absent, e-mail & called in w/update)

- **15U**
  - Based on the survey results, 15U will not be doing a co-op with Tartan; determined there is enough players for one team at the 15U level for Mahtomedi.
  - Extra effort has been made to maintain a positive relationship w/ Tartan and to make sure they have options to play this year; their plan is to co-op with Mounds View this year.
  - Continue to keep lines of communication open in case we need to co-op in the future.
  - MYHA co-op was for only one year; 15U Mahtomedi team will play at the A level this season.
  - Confirmed with Mikalynn re; registration/jerseys ordering.
- Discussions took place; may end up as low as 10 players or up to 14 players depending how many girls the HS coach takes; some feedback is that some girls may be transferring out of the HS program altogether to play at Gentry; Kelly to research.
- **12U**
  - 12U, discussion on continuing with an A and B team for upcoming season; small number of wins at the A level; concerned that girls will leave if they are not winning; considering having two B teams.
  - Kelly Reagan discussed this with Joe and Pete and other coaches; two leveled B1 teams or a B1 and a B2 team; goaltending was a concern; Joe was in agreement for two B's, Pete suggested an A & B team; should have an A team at every level; Dan said girls may get discouraged if there is not an A team; discussions continued on pros/cons of both; no vote took place, Alex asked Kelly to come back with additional information for the next meeting.
- Discussions took place; agreed to do a survey; discuss results for 12U's at the next meeting; make informed decision then.
- **10U**
  - Plan for two (2) teams, one A and one B; final team designations will be made in Sept.

### **Tournaments**

- Jason Plugge is process of finalizing the tournament for 15U/12U/10U's.

**5U/6U/8U & Recruitment: (Aaron Pederson):**

- No update.

**Motion to Adjourn the Meeting:** Made by Brandon Sampair, Second by Aaron Pederson.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 9:32PM

**Minutes Submitted by** Kelly Taff, MYHA Secretary