



Mahtomedi Youth Hockey Association Board Meeting

Date: January 15, 2023

Called to Order: 8:03PM

In Attendance: Alex Rogosheske, Abe Appert, Kelly Taff, Krissy Wright, Dan Bonne, Nick Frattalone, Luke Juhl, Tom Leonard, Dan Miller, Brandon Sampair, Brent Sorenson, Luke Spannbauer, Kyle Veenis

Absent: Tom Larson, Brent Sorenson

Prior Meeting Minutes Approval: December 2022 meeting minutes approved with corrections. Motion made by Brandon Sampair, Second Tom Leonard. Unanimous. Motion passes.

New Business/Member Feedback:

- No new business/member feedback

President's Report (Alex Rogosheske):

- **Goalie Evaluation's**
 - The Goalie Evaluation's section has been updated in the Player Evaluation and Team Selection process; e-mailed out to all board members; need approval; Kelly to post to the website.

MOTION made by Luke Juhl to approve the changes to the Goalie Evaluation portion of the Player and Evaluation and Team Selection process. Second by Dan Bonne. Unanimous. Motion passes.

- **Elections**
 - Elections are in May; five (5) board members are up for re-election.
 - Up for re-election; running/not running:
 - Nick Frattalone – No
 - Dan Miller – No
 - Brent Sorenson – Undecided (Absent)
 - Kyle Veenis – No
 - Krissy Wright - Yes

- **Location of Board Meetings**
 - Board meetings will continue at Forster's Dugout Bar.
 - Continue to support Quinny's & the Dugout.

- **Next Board Meeting – January 15, 2023**
 - Begin Election prep.

Vice President's Report (Abe Appert):

- **DEC**
 - Jeff Irsfeld, Yardworks, advised that by Sunday evenings the Warming House is a mess; who's responsibility is it to clean/pick-up and empty the trash; per the contract it is MYHA; discussion on offering DIBS on Sunday's nights to pick up, empty the trash; need to get the dumpster up there; Abe to connect w/Gene Wegleitner and have him drop one off.
 - The phone needs to be turned on; Krissy to check with Century Link/get it turned on; check to see how the account is set up; bill us or on auto pay.

Treasurer (Krissy Wright)

- **Finance/Budget**
 - E-mailed out the budget/financials to the board; let me know if there are any questions.
 - Will follow up w/the Century Link on the phone at the DEC.
 - Automatic CPA audit is required when we are over \$750k; may come back to us due to Charitable Gambling; will budget for the audit for next year; will cost around \$12k.
 - Tight on cash, but can get through this year, looking into/ideas on additional sponsorships.

Secretary (Kelly Taff):

- **E-Mail Blasts**
 - Continue to coordinate with everyone on e-mail blasts; Board members provide the content, and Kelly will edit/format and send out.
- **Team/Individual Pictures – VanGoPhoto, Shakopee, MN**
 - Scheduled picture make-up date for January 9th; this was rescheduled twice due to weather and the DEC being closed; this pushed out getting the ordering links to families.
 - Reviewed some of the proofs; look great; photographers came back up to the DEC and took pictures of the Middle rink w/snow covered trees; the background for the team/individual and panoramic pictures will be our actual outdoor rink.

Bantam AA parent concern

- Bantam AA parent reached out to me; questioning ice inequity based on what PeeWee AA has scheduled to date; in both games and practice ice; currently Bantam AA has 31 games and PeeWee AA has 43.
- Kelly to follow up with the Bantam AA Manager to get her perspective.
- Krissy Wright, PeeWee AA Manager, advised that the team will purchase additional ice if needed/parents pay for it.

District 2 (Nick Frattalone):

- **D2**
 - Playoffs brackets are out; posted on the D2 website.
 - MYHA is hosting the Bantam C Payoffs; all games will be played at Polar; Feb. 23-26, 2023
 - D2 did not post the Bantam AA, PeeWee AA or 12A playoffs yet, they missed it; these teams played D8 during the season; will be posted soon.
 - DIBS will be out by Feb. 1st, MYHA hosting Bantam C playoffs at Polar.
 - For any league games where we did not use a D2 referees and used other league officials; we need to keep track of this, so we do not pay for the refs twice; Nick to reach out to Amanda Moores to get this information from the Team Managers.

Director of Coaches/Fundraising (Tom Leonard):

- **Coaching**
 - 108 coaches registered this season and completed all CEP's; 2 coaches did not get their CEP's finished; no longer can be on the ice.
 - Discussion took place regard a parent coaches who apply for a coaching position, paid for their CEP classes; but does not end up with the desired coaching position they applied for or is offered one; MYHA does not refund the CEP classes that have been taken to date/paid for; we could offer 2 DIBS; we will not do this automatically, the parent will need to request the DIBS through their Level Director.

MOTION made by Tom Leonard to allow two (2) DIBS to each parent coach who has completed their CEP's for the current season, paid for them, but was not offered or accepted a coaching position; the parent must request the DIBS through their Level Director. Second by Kyle Veenis. Unanimous. Motion passes.

- **Fundraising**
 - No update.

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

- No update.

Junior Gold (JG) (Dan Bonne):

- **JG16/J618**
 - Season going well so far; a few players with a game misconduct's.

LEVEL DIRECTOR REPORTS

Bantam (Brandon Sampair):

- **Bantam B1 Out of Town Tournament, Grand Rapids, MN (Jan6-8th) Parent/Player issues on an off the ice**
 - Brandon sent out a detailed e-mail today to all board members summarizing the parent and player issues that took place while the Bantam B1 team was in Grand Rapids, MN (Jan. 6-8th) for their out-of-town tournament.
 - Brandon provided a recap of the events and provided his recommendations on his thoughts on the punishments along with what has already been handed out by D2.
 - **Issue One**
 - On Friday during their game three (3) different players were given 5-minute majors and game misconducts. Two for typical hockey related plays, the other was for one kid using or calling some kid a "fag" or "faggot". The two kids that were given 5-minute majors and game misconducts for hockey related plays were kicked out of the Friday game and had to miss the next game. The player kicked out of the game for the language (Trent Steenberg) was given a 3-game suspension from District 2 immediately. And because there were 3 majors in the game the head coach was also suspended for one game in accordance with D2 rules.
 - **Issue Two**
 - During the same game on Friday night, two (2) parents (Tony Leciejewski and Joel Kruse) were both ejected from the game. Those parents were immediately given 3 game suspensions from D2 in accordance with their rules.

- **Issue Three**
 - Alex was sent an email from the AmericInn where the team stayed, from the manager, naming three (3) kids/families that are no longer allowed to rent at their facility because they were running around knocking on doors late at night, calling rooms late at night. In addition to that, they filled up condoms with lotion and either threw them at doors or into rooms. The manager had to refund one of their other guests (\$155) because of the commotion from Mahtomedi kids. The manager stated those families were on their "Do not rent" list and that if the Mahtomedi Bantam AA team that went up this past weekend had any problems, the Mahtomedi Youth Hockey would no longer be allowed to rent at that hotel. Keep in mind our Squirts, Peewees and Bantams all play in those tournaments at the different levels.
- After many discussions with the head coach Nick Hochban, he had a meeting a few days ago and two of the three kids admitted that they were the guilty party. He then called the manager of the hotel to apologize and explain who admitted the wrong-doing and the manager subsequently took the other three families off their "Do not rent list". The two kids that admitted wrongdoing are (Caden Wojtas and Seth Erickson).
- **My recommendation will be as follows**
 - **Issue One**
 - No further action. All penalties/suspensions given immediately from D2 and served by the kids and parents I think were justified. I think that we let the coach know to let Trent Steenberg know that any other penalties for that type of language will not be tolerated, and that above and beyond any consequences from D2 that MYHA would add additional consequences.
 - **Issue Two**
 - No further action. Similar to issue one the suspensions from D2 justified and served by the respective parents. Mahtomedi could add additional consequences for a second infraction.
 - **Issue Three**
 - Recommending a one-week suspension for all team activities (including but not limited to practice, games, team meals, outdoor ice etc.). I believe they should have to write and apology to the AmericInn and reimburse the AmericInn the \$155 that they had to comp their other guest because of the misbehaving. My initial thought was a 2-week suspension. But I would like to give some credit for the two young men admitting guilt. In this day and age most, kids never admit it. I think it is a good lesson that even though you are honest, actions have consequences and because they were honest the consequence is a little less.
- Board members discussed the issues and the recommendations that Brandon suggested; we agreed on all his recommendations and added one more; as a team punishment, the Bantam B1 team beginning on Sunday, Jan. 22nd – Feb. 15th (next four Sunday's) from 8PM-9:00PM will pick-up, sweep and empty the garbage at the DEC.

MOTION made by Dan Bonne that Issue One and Issue Two have been addressed by D2 and no further disciplinary action will be added by MYHA, and on Issue Three, Caden Wojtas and Seth Erickson will write letters of apology to AmericInn; reimburse the hotel out of their own pocket, \$155; and have a one (1) week suspension from all MYHA games/practices and hockey related team activities. They may rejoin the team on January 23rd. As a team punishment the Bantam B1 team will pick-up, sweep, empty the trash at the DEC for the next four Sunday's (Jan. 22nd-Feb. 15th) from 8PM-9PM. Second by Tom Leonard. Unanimous. Motion passes.

PeeWee (Dan Miller):

- No update.

Squirt (Tom Larson): (Absent)

- No update.

Mite Program (Luke Juhl):

- No update.

Girls Program (Kyle Veenis)

10U/12U/15U – Marauders (Roseville/Mahtomedi Co-Op)

- **Ice Scheduling**

- Ice Scheduling has improved; continue to work with Nate; trying to work through both Roseville's and Mahtomedi's ice; looking to add a person as a go-between.
- Roseville schedules a month of ice at a time; how is Mahtomedi's ice scheduled; it is scheduled differently based on each of the different ice contracts and how it is released to us; We hold contract ice at WBC and Harding is contract ice; very specific days/times; Ramsey County's comes out randomly, once released we post.
- Ice has been sent to Adam at Roseville and he does not post it; continue to work through these issues.
- Kyle will stay with the Marauders Co-op.

Intro to Hockey/6U/8U & Recruitment: (Luke Spannbauer):

- **U6/U8**

- U6/U8 Pucks and Pancakes/In-House Jamboree; scheduled for January 21st at the DEC.

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting: Made by Abe Appert, Second by Tom Leonard .

Meeting Adjourned: 9:27PM

Minutes Submitted by Kelly Taff, MYHA Secretary