

Michigan Senior Women's Hockey League

Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 11, 2016

Attendees: Sarah Jacobsen (Freeze, President; D5 rep), Sally Krug-Shaffer (Black Ice, Secretary; D4 rep), Sarah Parker (Freeze, D3 rep), Michelle Reeve (Hammerheads, VP, D0 rep), Deb Fish (Freeze), R. LeBlanc (by phone, TOT2, D6 rep)

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

I. Approval of 4/20/16 minutes (motion by S. Krug-Shaffer, second M. Reeve)

II. Treasurer's report (S. Jacobsen for T. Callahan)

- A. Current balance \$9,186.25 (no transactions this past month)
- B. New checks and a stamper are needed. Will discuss options and costs at June meeting.

III. Old Business

- A. USA Hockey Patches. M. Reeve will submit all data to USA hockey and distribute patches to managers when received.
- B. Update on notification of players movement for 2016-17 season. S. Jacobsen reported that letters were written and sent to Audrey Kobe (D2, Ladywings) and Shelly Stiles (D4, Swarm).
- C. Update on options for alternative Ruicci Cup bracket formats.
 - 1. S. Krug-Shaffer presented several options for alternative brackets. These options will be drawn out and reviewed in the July meeting when the new board is in session.
 - 2. Deb Fish (D2 Freeze) suggested the board consider a mandatory overtime (prior to shootouts) for quarter and semi-final games. This may require possibly buying additional ice for Saturday. This recommendation will also be tabled until the July meeting.
- D. Update on recruitment of new D6 teams. S. Jacobsen reported that all house leagues in the area (MACRHL, No Bull, Chelsea, BADHL, etc.) will be contacted to determine interest in forming new teams for D6.

IV. New Business

A. Division Updates

- 1. D0 – M. Reeve – ICES expressed interest in playing in Ruicci cup next year. Options discussed regarding available division/teams for them to play
- 2. D1- T. Callahan – no report
- 3. D2- S. Jacobsen for K. Kelly. Email received from Metroblades, seconding the Freeze complaint discussed at April meeting against Audrey Kobe.
- 4. D3- S. Parker – no issues to report
- 5. D4- S. Krug- Shaffer – no issues to report
- 6. D5- S. Jacobsen – no issues to report
- 7. D6- R. LeBlanc – Players or teams that should expect to move divisions in the following season will be notified.

B. 2016-17 Board of Director Applications. Email will be distributed May 13 to inform the league of open positions. Applications will be due to Sally Krug-Shaffer by 5:00 p.m. on May 22. Voting will occur from May 25 - June 1. Newly elected officials will be announced at the June 8 meeting. New board members will be expected to attend the July board meeting

C. Prizes for 1st place in division and Ruicci Cup discussed. Board members will look into previously discussed incentives for these accomplishments.

D. Other

1. Ruicci cup date for 2017 – S. Jacobsen has received inquiries about the date due to possible conflicting tournaments. She will contact Livonia Hockey Association.

2. Mitch Albom's "Hockey the Musical" group discounts are available to MSWHL. S. Jacobsen will send out email blast to league with specific contact information.

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m. (motion by R. LeBlanc, second by S. Parker)

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Krug-Shaffer, Secretary

Next meeting: Tuesday, June 7, 2016 @ 7:00 p.m. at the Engineering Society of Detroit (Suite 450), Oakland Commons, 20700 Civic Center Drive, Southfield, MI