



Mahtomedi Youth Hockey Association Board Meeting

Date: March 19, 2023

Called to Order: 8:01PM

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

Absent: Tom Larson, Dan Miller

Prior Meeting Minutes Approval: February 2023 meeting minutes approved with corrections. Motion made by Luke Spannbauer, Second Krissy Wright. Unanimous. Motion passes.

New Business/Member Feedback:

- No new business/member feedback

President's Report (Alex Rogosheske)

- **Elections**
 - Elections are in May; five (5) board members are up for re-election.
 - Up for re-election; running/not running; confirming with everyone again:
 - Nick Frattalone – No
 - Dan Miller – No
 - Brent Sorenson – Yes
 - Kyle Veenis – No
 - Krissy Wright – Yes
- **Mikalynn Hauer, Registrar**
 - Mikalynn is retiring, Kelly is working with Mikalynn on a Job Description; once completed; Kelly to send out an e-mail blast; this is a paid position.
 - Discussion in moving/opening up Registrations to May; Mikalynn will help; Kelly will assist if needed.
- **Joan Demars/Nate Demars, Ice Scheduler's**
 - Alex confirmed that what we discussed at last month's meeting that Joan and Nate will be moving on; they will be retiring at the start of the 2024-2025 season; this season will be their last; they will assist w/some of the training; ideal to get one or two people to do it/shadow and train this season take over next for next.
 - Alex has the Ice Scheduler job description; will have Nate/Joan review for accuracy and update as needed; Kelly to send out an e-mail blast; this is a paid position.
 - PJ Boeke will assist/lead the interview process; Kelly to coordinate.

- **Bantam AA Head Coach – Billy Wagner**
 - Looking for a new BAA Head coach for next season; Billy took a new job out of state and will be moving.
 - Will need to start to recruit; if anyone knows of anyone; reach out to Alex or Brandon.
- **Coach Feedback**
 - Level Director's continuing to collect coach feedback; provide e-mail update to Alex.
- **End of the Year Survey**
 - Luke Spannbauer advised that the survey is out. Survey is for the MYHA only; Marauders will have their own/separate survey.
- **Tournaments**
 - Andrea Lampland, Boys Tournament Scheduler, she requested feedback on the tournaments this year via the Manager GroupMe; Managers were providing feedback.
 - Kelly suggested that Kyle request feedback on the girls tournaments too; he advised that Tournament feedback will be included in the Marauders End of the Season Survey.
- **Marauders (Mahtomedi/Roseville Co-op)**
 - Kyle brought up the expenses for the Marauders; how to best manage them for next season; Krissy said biggest expense is the paid coaches; need to budget it for next season; Krissy to research/get numbers, provide to Alex; he will meet with the Roseville President.
 - This year's positions on the Marauders board were appointments; recommending that there be an election process going forward, not for the upcoming season, would like to start it in the 2024-2025 season; discussion took place, agreed this should be the process going forward; will need a vote.

***MOTION** made by Brandon Sampair to approve elections for the Marauders Board positions for the 2024 – 2025 season. Second by Kyle Veenis. Unanimous. Motions passes.

- **Next Board Meeting – April 16, 2023**
 - Election results will be announced, it will be a quick meeting; we will still have Charitable Gambling.
- **Location of Board Meetings**
 - Board meetings will continue at Forster's Dugout Bar.
 - Continue to support Quinny's & the Dugout.

Vice President's Report (Abe Appert):

- **DEC**
 - No Update
- **DIBS**
 - No Update
- **D2 Hearing**
 - Nick Frattalone, Luke Juhl and Abe Appert sat in on a hearing for a disciplinary hearing regarding a Forest Lake Board member, looking for impartial input/feedback.

Treasurer (Krissy Wright)

- **Finance/Budget**
 - E-mailed out the budget/financials to the board; reach out to Krissy with any questions.
 - Registration fees will most likely increase again for next season; estimating 25%; need to keep up with higher tournament and ice fees; continue discussion on fess and discounts.
 - Budget will nee to go up; Ice Rates are published April 1st
 - Approx. 20% of the Registration fee is used for Tournaments.

- Working with Kyle on getting the final Marauders expenses; looking for better collaboration with the Roseville Treasurer/VP of Finance, Gail Lust. Alex will reach out to the Roseville President.
- Kyle mentioned that Mahtomedi had more players and Roseville had more ice; Ice bills should be 50/50
- Nick will send to Krissy the spreadsheet of the D2 refs.
- Discussion continued in opening up registration in May; to assist with cash flow; tournaments are all scheduled in June. do we look at closing the gap on the registration fees; losing money on a per player basis; adjust number of teams/players per team; may need to think about an increase on U6/U8/Mites registration fees as well.
- Board discussion if sending out a letter/e-mail to the members of the community is warranted; outlining the reasoning behind the increases to registration fees; timing of when tournaments are scheduled and need to be paid; timing of opening up registration in May; increased ice fees and tournament costs; COVID refunds etc. Alex to prepare; board to review/provide feedback.

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.
- **Elections**
 - Elections are in April; new board begins in May; five (5) board members positions are up; website is updated with election dates; continue to send e-mail blasts requesting bio's to be submitted; I have received one (1) to date; will need to get Bios from Krissy and Brent.
 - Dates are as follows:
 - Candidate Bios are due – April 1, 2023, by 8:00PM
 - Candidate Bios are posted to the MYHA website – April 4, 2023
 - Online voting opens – April 13, 2023, at 5:00PM
 - Online voting closes - April 16, 2023, at 5:00PM
 - Election results are announced at the Board Meeting – April 16, 2023, at 8:00PM
 - Continue to work with Matt Lindstrom, Webmaster on the election voting e-mail; he will need to get the Survey Monkey account transferred over from Pat Crothers.
 - All parents with a registers e-mail w/their account in good standing are eligible to vote; (All registration fees are paid, and DIBS are completed).
 - I will reach out to Krissy and Amanda Boberg to get

District 2 (Nick Frattalone):

- **D2**
 - MN Hockey: waivers may come to an end; play where you live; discussions taking place on no longer approving any waivers, players that are already approved would be grandfathered.
 - Rule changes, need to let them know by May; a few suggestions; e-mail Nick if you have any.
 - Suggested tag up/off-sides.
 - Take off the stop signs off the jerseys.
 - Discussions/pushing the larger associations to have more AA teams in D2.
 - MN Hockey/USA Hockey may require ALL players to wear/have base layers due the gender changes.
 - D2 Elections are in April; positions that are up/open; e-mail Nick if you know of anyone.
 - President
 - Executive Director
 - Vice President (quit in September)
 - Treasurer

Director of Coaches/Fundraising (Tom Leonard):

- **Coaching**
 - No update.
- **Fundraising**
 - continue to research fundraising opportunities.

Director of Player Development (Brent Sorenson):

- **Mega/Skills**
 - Recommend not move forward with Thursday night goalie camp.
 - Skills continue with Squirts not highly attended by PeeWee and Bantam; recommend that we do not continue with PeeWee and Bantam; will free up ice time.
 - Positive feedback; having the Goalie coaches on ice during practice.

Junior Gold (JG) (Dan Bonne):

- **JG16/J618**
 - Both JG16 teams went on to State; finished 3rd and 5th; Congratulations.
 - Nick Frattalone provided feedback on JG: need to look at doing tryouts for next season at the 16's; we should only have one (1) 16 team; a few players in this age group will still have the opportunity to make the HS team; players that don't make it can be waived out to other associations; JG18's should have less practice ice at this level; they really just want to play games.

LEVEL DIRECTOR REPORTS

Bantam (Brandon Sampair):

- **Bantam AA Head Coach – Billy Wagner**
 - As Alex mentioned in his President report; Billy took a new job out of state and will be moving; begin recruiting for his replacement.
 - Assistant Coaches this season were Jeff Flicker and Sam Crochet; discuss interest/potential opportunity and/or dynamic once a new head coach is hired.

PeeWee (Dan Miller): (Absent)

- No update.

Squirt (Tom Larson): (Absent)

- No update.

Mite Program (Luke Juhl):

- **Mite Socks**
 - Issues at the beginning of the year on socks; could not get them; now we have a surplus; five (5) full boxes; do not need to purchase any for next season.
- **Mite Games/Scrimmages**
 - Most scrimmages are set for Saturday and Sunday mornings; this will continue; need to move the outside coaching/instruction with Russ to Monday nights; less conflict with game/scrimmages.
 - Full Ice Games have dropped year over year from 4, 2 to 0.

Girls Program (Kyle Veenis)

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

- Working with Krissy on the coaches payment; reviewing the books.
- Parent feedback so far is that it has been a good season; coaches were passionate and positive; over all a good first season.
- As voted on; moving to elections vs appointments for 2024-2025; will continue with appointments for next season; met with parents who are interested in board positions.
- Creating new Positions for next season
 - Ice scheduling conduit
 - Financial Coordinator, to assist with communication
 - Jersey Coordinator
 - Apparel Coordinator
- Kyle to stay on with the Marauders board to continue to help stabilize.

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

- **Intro to Hockey/U6/U8**
 - No update.
- **Recruitment**
 - MYHA survey is out; Marauders will get their own/and will go out separately.
 - Wildwood Fun Fair/Spring Fling is happening this year; need to confirm dates.

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting: Made by Brandon Sampair, Second by Dan Bonne.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:19PM

Minutes Submitted by Kelly Taff, MYHA Secretary