

Central Upper Peninsula Hockey League

Meeting Minutes, Fall 2015

Sunday, October 18, 2015, 10:00 AM

Lakeview Arena, Marquette, Michigan

Submitted by Walt Milligan, CUPHL Secretary/Statistician, October 22, 2015

Attendance:

Executive Board Craig Savage (Commissioner); Jeff Harvey (Vice-Commissioner/Treasurer); Walt Milligan (Secretary/Statistician)

Calumet ***No Representative***

Copper Country Kitti Loukus

Dickinson Paul Burgoon

Escanaba Amy Sundquist

Iron Range Jayne Mattias

Iron River Kelly Tomasoski

Ironwood Michelle Trier

Keweenaw Bay ***No Representative***

Manistique Craig Savage, Mark Miller, Kristi King

Marquette Tim McIntosh, Jon Kamps

Munising Pat Gariepy

Newberry (TAYHA) Ben Rahilly, John Nutkins, Bob Edwards

Ontonagon Stacey Somero

Marinette-Menominee Don Park, Peg Knutson, Tina Neumann

Commissioner Craig Savage called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM. Introductions were made and roll was called (attendance listed above).

Vice Commissioner/Treasurer Jeff Harvey circulated a financial report, attached. **Motion (Macintosh/Rahilly): Accept Treasurer's Report. Approved unanimously.**

Secretary/Statistician Walt Milligan discussed two proposed changes in by-laws that were circulated 10 days prior to the meeting.

Change 1 (attached): changes allowing games played in Wisconsin to be played under WAHA rules instead of MAHA rules. **Motion (Macintosh/Rahilly): Approve changes to by-laws as circulated. Approved 11-1.**

Change 2 (attached): clarifies rules related to forfeits, cancellations, and fines. **Motion (Macintosh/Rahilly): Approve changes to by-laws, with a change in the acceptable notification time from 72 hours to 48 hours to avoid a fine. Approved 12-0.**

It was agreed that the Spring 2015 meeting will occur on Saturday, April 16, 2016, at approximately 2:00 PM Eastern, at the Wawonowin Golf Course in Ishpeming, Michigan. Meeting will occur at the conclusion of the MAHA District 8 meeting, which starts at 10 AM.

Teams were proposed for each level, and divisions were assigned by unanimous consent. Formal meeting adjourned at 10:45 am, and representatives met to set the yearly schedules.

CUP League

Proposed Changes to by-laws

October 18, 2015

Proposed Change #1

What is it?

A change to the rules under which games are played

Why is this being proposed?

With the re-entry of Marinette-Menominee into the CUP League, the CUP League has a rink located in Wisconsin. WAHA and MAHA rules vary slightly, with one issue being that WAHA allows players to dual-roster on teams at different levels. For example, a player can compete on both a bantam team and a peewee team if he or she is 12U in Wisconsin. The CUP League voted unanimously at the Spring 2015 meeting that we would do what every other league does in these situations: the rules will be those of the home rink. Thus, M-M can play by WAHA rules in Marinette, but must abide by MAHA rules for away games. The By-Laws need to be amended to implement this.

Current language in By-Laws

4. RINK, ARENA, AND GAME PLAYING REGULATIONS

- (a) Games shall be played under current USA Hockey and MAHA game regulations.

Proposed new language in By-laws

4. RINK, ARENA, AND GAME PLAYING REGULATIONS

- (a) Games shall be played under current USA Hockey regulations, as well as the local USA Hockey District or USA Hockey Affiliate regulations of the rink location. Examples: All league games played in Michigan are played according to USA Hockey and MAHA regulations. All league games played in Wisconsin are played according to USA Hockey and WAHA game regulations.

Proposed Change #2

What is it?

Changes and clarifications regarding schedule changes, forfeits, make-up games and standings.

Why is this being proposed?

First, the current by-laws are somewhat ambiguous. In recent years, deciding the standings at the end of the year has become contentious because the full schedules are rarely played. Some coaches have argued that they should receive the 2 points for the games that were not played, even though in some cases those coaches were responsible for the initial cancelation. The rules need to be as clear as possible.

Second, too many games are being re-scheduled or canceled in recent years, driving schedulers and opposing teams crazy. This league exists to provide a solid game schedule for the teams that choose to participate. Coaches need to be held accountable for playing the games that are scheduled by their representatives.

Third, the assessment of fines for no-shows has become very rare, oftentimes due to ambiguities in the by-laws.

Current language in By-Laws

3. SCHEDULING PROCEDURES

- (a) Yearly Schedule: CUPHL game schedules shall be drawn up yearly at the Fall Scheduling Meeting. Game schedules, including sub-divisions and number of games within divisions, shall be agreed upon by consent of the Board of Directors at the Fall Scheduling Meeting.
- (b) Changes to Schedule: Any changes to the established schedule shall be coordinated through the involved teams association representatives to the CUPHL. The home team's coach, representative and association Scheduler will confer to determine available and suitable alternatives to the non-acceptable game date and/or time. The visiting team's association representative will be advised of these options and will work with the affected coach to determine the best alternative. Upon final agreement between the two teams association representatives and their affected coaches, and the home team's association Scheduler, the revised game date and/or time will be scheduled.
- (c) Postponement of Games: Scheduled games may be postponed, if absolutely necessary, for reasons of severe inclement weather, accident, or other bona-fide emergency conditions which a reasonable coach would not have foreseen. Coaches must notify the opposing team of the postponement as soon as possible. Games shall not be postponed for arbitrary or frivolous reasons, and if such were determined to have been the case, the offending team would be subject to penalization by the CUPHL. Postponed games shall be rescheduled as soon as possible. No fines or penalties are applicable in legitimate postponement cases.
- (d) Cancellation of Games: Scheduled games should not be cancelled; this results in an uneven number of games being played in a division, and the associated difficulty in fairly determining final standings. Cancellation of a scheduled or postponed game by one team shall constitute forfeiture by the cancelling team. If both teams agree that scheduled or postponed games

cannot be rescheduled, and neither team is clearly at fault, the final standings will reflect a reduced number of games for both teams. In this case, the division standings will still rank teams by the highest number of points, not the highest winning percentage.

- (e) Forfeiture Procedures: CUPHL teams, whether home or visitor, shall be deemed to have forfeited a scheduled game if they fail to appear and play such game, due to any circumstances which were not reported in a timely manner, and subsequent official postponement not obtained. The non-absent offended team shall prepare completely an official game scoresheet with exception only to the section for the player roster and coach's name of the absent offending team. The score shall be recorded as "1" for the non-absent offended team and "0" for the absent offending team. Additionally, the statement "Game Forfeit", or other statement that includes the word "Forfeit", shall be written on such game scoresheets. The forfeit result shall be communicated to the Secretary-Statistician by procedures approved by the Board of Directors. The offending forfeiting team shall be fined \$200, which amount shall be withdrawn from the CUPHL bond account and disbursed as specified in Section 2(a). The forfeiting fined team must then deposit a like amount with the CUPHL Treasurer to re-build their performance bond to the required \$200 level, and thus remain a member in good standing as required by CUPHL Constitution Articles IV and VI.

Proposed new language in By-laws

(b) Changes to Schedule: The CUP League is complicated, and team and rink schedules are very inflexible after the season starts. Therefore, changes to the posted schedules should only occur when absolutely necessary. Acceptable reasons include, but are not limited to:

- A mistake by the Scheduler that results in the ice or a team being unavailable;
- An unavoidable change in the ice availability (including maintenance issues) or rink schedule that results in the ice or a team being unavailable;
- A team gaining entry into a District or State Tournament that conflicts with a regularly-scheduled game;
- An inability to obtain referees.

Other acceptable reasons for changing the schedules require obtaining the approval of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors.

Unacceptable reasons for changing the posted schedules include, but are not limited to:

- Teams deciding to enter invitational tournaments instead of playing a regularly-scheduled game;
- Teams deciding to play other exhibition games instead of playing a regularly-scheduled game;
- Anticipated absence of key players or coaches;
- Player illness;
- Any other issue where the team or Scheduler does not obtain the approval of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors.

In these cases, failure to play the originally scheduled games shall constitute a forfeit by the canceling team.

Any changes to the established schedule for acceptable reasons listed above, or approved by the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors shall be coordinated through the involved teams association representatives to the CUPHL. The home team's coach, representative and association Scheduler will confer to determine available and suitable alternatives to the non-acceptable game date and/or time. The visiting team's association representative will be advised of these options and will work with the affected coach to determine the best alternative. Upon final agreement between the two teams association representatives and their affected coaches, and the home team's association Scheduler, the revised game date and/or time will be scheduled. If an acceptable revised game date cannot be agreed upon, based on good faith negotiations, the team that canceled the original game(s) shall forfeit the games, excluding the exceptions discussed in Section 3(d), below.

(c) Postponement of Games: Scheduled games may be postponed only for the reason of severe inclement weather, where travel would jeopardize the safety of the players. Coaches must notify the opposing team of the postponement as soon as possible. Postponed games shall be rescheduled as soon as possible. No fines or penalties are applicable in legitimate weather-related postponement cases.

- (d) Cancellation of Games: Scheduled games should not be cancelled; this results in an uneven number of games being played in a division, and the associated difficulty in fairly determining final standings. Cancellation of a scheduled or postponed game by one team shall constitute forfeiture by the canceling team. The only exceptions to this forfeiture are:
- (i) Severe inclement weather;
 - (ii) Cases where games are scheduled in March, and one of the teams cannot play the games because they are representing the District in the State Playoffs.

In both of these cases, good faith efforts shall be made to reschedule the games. If an acceptable revised game date cannot be agreed upon, these games will be voided, and neither team shall receive any points. In this case, the division standings will still rank teams by the highest number of points, not the highest winning percentage. If the inability to reschedule games scheduled in March due to the State Playoffs impacts the standings and the division champions, the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors may appoint co-champions (the team that is in first place, and another team that would have been able to obtain first place or a tie for first place if they were able to play the games scheduled in March.)

- (e) Forfeiture Procedures: CUPHL teams, whether home or visitor, shall be deemed to have forfeited a scheduled game if they fail to appear and play such a game, according to the rules and exceptions listed in Sections 3(b), 3(c), and 3(d) of these by-laws. The non-absent offended team shall prepare completely an official game scoresheet with exception only to the section for the player roster and coach's name of the absent offending team. The score shall be recorded as "1" for the non-absent offended team and "0" for the absent offending team. Additionally, the statement "Game Forfeit", or other statement that includes the word "Forfeit", shall be written on such game scoresheets. The forfeit result shall be communicated to the Secretary-Statistician by procedures approved by the Board of Directors.
- (e) Forfeiture Fines: There will be no financial penalty if the forfeiting team gives the opposing team coach or scheduler at least 72 hours notice that they will not be playing the games. If notice is not given at least 72 hours prior to the scheduled game time, the offending forfeiting team shall be fined \$200 per game, which amount shall be withdrawn from the CUPHL bond account and disbursed as specified in Section 2(a). These fines are meant to compensate the non-offending team for ice costs, referee costs, and travel costs in cases where they travel and are unable to play games. The forfeiting fined team must then deposit a like amount with the CUPHL Treasurer to re-build their performance bond to the required \$200 level, and thus remain a member in good standing as required by CUPHL Constitution Articles IV and VI.

CD Balance at UP State Bank

date	previous balance	interest	new balance	maturity date	new rate
8/18/06	\$ 2,801.16	\$ 25.42	\$ 2,826.58	11/18/06	
11/28/06	\$ 2,826.58	\$ 25.65	\$ 2,852.23	11/18/07	4.43
2/18/07	\$ 2,852.23	\$ 31.85	\$ 2,884.08		
5/18/07	\$ 2,884.08	\$ 31.15	\$ 2,915.23		
8/18/07	\$ 2,915.23	\$ 32.55	\$ 2,947.78		
11/16/07	\$ 2,947.78	\$ 32.91	\$ 2,980.69	11/18/08	4.33
2/18/08	\$ 2,980.69	\$ 32.48	\$ 3,013.17		
5/16/08	\$ 3,013.17	\$ 32.08	\$ 3,045.25		
8/17/08	\$ 3,045.25	\$ 33.14	\$ 3,078.39		
11/18/08	\$ 3,078.39	\$ 33.51	\$ 3,111.90	11/18/09	2.67
2/18/09	\$ 3,111.90	\$ 20.92	\$ 3,132.82		
5/18/09	\$ 3,132.82	\$ 20.40	\$ 3,153.22		
8/18/09	\$ 3,153.22	\$ 21.22	\$ 3,174.44		
11/18/09	\$ 3,174.44	\$ 21.36	\$ 3,195.80	11/18/10	1.59
2/18/10	\$ 3,195.80	\$ 12.81	\$ 3,208.61		
5/16/10	\$ 3,208.61	\$ 12.44	\$ 3,221.05		
8/18/10	\$ 3,221.05	\$ 12.91	\$ 3,233.96		
11/22/10	\$ 3,233.96	\$ 12.96	\$ 3,246.92	11/18/11	0.95
2/18/11	\$ 3,246.92	\$ 7.77	\$ 3,254.69		
5/18/11	\$ 3,254.69	\$ 7.54	\$ 3,262.23		
8/18/11	\$ 3,262.23	\$ 7.81	\$ 3,270.04		
11/18/11	\$ 3,270.04	\$ 7.83	\$ 3,277.87	11/18/12	0.85
2/17/12	\$ 3,277.87	\$ 7.01	\$ 3,284.88		
5/18/12	\$ 3,284.88	\$ 6.87	\$ 3,291.75		
8/18/12	\$ 3,291.75	\$ 7.03	\$ 3,298.78		
11/18/12	\$ 3,298.78	\$ 7.05	\$ 3,305.83	11/18/13	0.70
2/18/13	\$ 3,305.83	\$ 5.83	\$ 3,311.66		
5/17/13	\$ 3,311.66	\$ 5.65	\$ 3,317.31		
8/17/13	\$ 3,317.31	\$ 5.85	\$ 3,323.16		
11/18/13	\$ 3,323.16	\$ 5.86	\$ 3,329.02	11/18/14	0.5
2/18/14	\$ 3,329.02	\$ 4.20	\$ 3,333.22		
5/18/14	\$ 3,333.22	\$ 1.85	\$ 3,335.07		
07/23/2014	\$ 3,335.07	\$ (900.00)	\$ 2,435.07	transfer to main account cover ngin fees	
8/18/14	\$ 2,435.07	\$ 3.90	\$ 2,438.97		
11/18/14	\$ 2,438.97	\$ 3.07	\$ 2,442.04	11/18/15	0.5
2/18/15	\$ 2,442.04	\$ 3.08	\$ 2,445.12		
5/18/15	\$ 2,445.12	\$ 2.98	\$ 2,448.10		
8/18/15	\$ 2,448.10	\$ 3.09	\$ 2,451.19		

CUPHL Financial Information

2006-2007 Season

Date	Transaction	Check #	Amount	Balance	Description
15-Aug-2006				\$ 1,476.51	Received funds from Aamie Holmio
15-Aug-2006	payment	1310	\$ (92.60)	\$ 1,383.91	Aamie's postage, etc.
22-Oct-2006	payment	1311	\$ (50.00)	\$ 1,333.91	Newberry refund of 2006-2007 dues no teams
28-Oct-2006	deposit	x	\$ 700.00	\$ 2,033.91	CUPHL dues all associations except CCJH. Includes TAYHA and KBay fines
17-Nov-2006	deposit	x	\$ 50.00	\$ 2,083.91	CCJH paid dues
25-Nov-2006	void check	1311	\$ 50.00	\$ 2,133.91	Newberry refund check voided
5-Jan-2007	payment	1312	\$ (20.00)	\$ 2,113.91	Corporation registration to State of Michigan
10-Jan-2007	payment	1313	\$ (100.00)	\$ 2,013.91	CUPHL ad in MAHA Directory
13-Apr-2007	payment	1314	\$ (622.50)	\$ 1,491.41	Trophies BK Enterprises
13-Apr-2007	payment	1315	\$ (32.68)	\$ 1,458.73	Harv postage(\$15.60), donuts Fall meeting (\$17.08)
24-Apr-2007	payment	1316	\$ (81.00)	\$ 1,377.73	5 yrs contract for website www.cuphockey.org

2007-2008 Season

Date	Transaction	Check #	Amount	Balance	Description
9-Aug-2007	payment	1317	\$ (20.00)	\$ 1,357.73	Corporation registration to State of Michigan
19-Oct-2007	payment	1318	\$ (25.00)	\$ 1,332.73	Rental of Lakeview for meeting
22-Oct-2007	payment	1319	\$ (10.00)	\$ 1,322.73	CUP League dues (DAHA over paid \$10)
27-Nov-2007	deposit	x	\$ 710.00	\$ 2,032.73	All CUP League Dues and fines collected
16-Apr-2008	payment	1320	\$ (490.87)	\$ 1,541.86	Trophies BK Enterprises

2008-2009 Season

Date	Transaction	Check #	Amount	Balance	Description
1-Aug-2008	payment	1321	\$ (20.00)	\$ 1,521.86	Corporation registration to State of Michigan
29-Oct-2008	deposit	x	\$ 750.00	\$ 2,271.86	CUP dues plus (KB and Newberry \$50 fines)
10-Apr-2009	payment	1322	\$ (511.50)	\$ 1,760.36	Trophies BK Enterprises
10-Apr-2009	payment	1323	\$ (42.77)	\$ 1,717.59	Harv postage (\$10.92) Fall meeting drinks/snacks (\$31.85)

2009-2010 Season

Date	Transaction	Check #	Amount	Balance	Description
12-Aug-2009	payment	1324	\$ (20.00)	\$ 1,697.59	Corporation registration to State of Michigan
19-Oct-2009	payment	1325	\$ (50.00)	\$ 1,647.59	Aamie Holmio Funeral
28-Oct-2009	deposit	x	\$ 650.00	\$ 2,297.59	League deposits (13 x \$50)
9-Apr-2010	payment	1326	\$ (456.12)	\$ 1,841.47	Trophies BK Enterprises (8)
9-Apr-2010	payment	1327	\$ (33.46)	\$ 1,808.01	Harv postage (\$5.28) Fall meeting drinks/snacks (\$28.18)

2010-2011 Season

Date	Transaction	Check #	Amount	Balance	Description
31-Jul-2010	payment	1328	\$ (20.00)	\$ 1,788.01	Corporation registration to State of Michigan
7-Sep-2010	payment	1329	\$ (143.64)	\$ 1,644.37	Walt- Go Daddy Web service for 3years (expires Aug 2013) 3years
22-Nov-2010	deposit	x	\$ 650.00	\$ 2,294.37	League deposits (13 x \$50)
1-Apr-2011	payment	1330	\$ (457.79)	\$ 1,836.58	Trophies BK Enterprises (8)
1-Apr-2011	payment	1331	\$ (33.98)	\$ 1,802.60	Harv Postage (5.28) Fall meeting drinks/snacks(28.70)

2011-2012 Season

Date	Transaction	Check #	Amount	Balance	Description
29-Aug-2011	payment	1332	\$ (20.00)	\$ 1,782.60	Corporation registration to State of Michigan
29-Aug-2011	payment	1333	\$ (60.00)	\$ 1,722.60	City of Marquette -rent Citizens Forum
30-Nov-2011	deposit	x	\$ 600.00	\$ 2,322.60	League deposits (12 x \$50)
29-Dec-2011	deposit	x	\$ 50.00	\$ 2,372.60	League deposits (1 x \$50)
12-Apr-2012	payment	1001	\$ (627.00)	\$ 1,745.60	Trophies BK Enterprises (10)
14-Apr-2012	payment	1002	\$ (91.89)	\$ 1,653.71	Walt Mulligan Go-Daddy Domain registration (expires April 2017) 5 years

2012-2013 Season

Date	Transaction	Check #	Amount	Balance	Description
30-Jul-2012	payment	1003	\$ (20.00)	\$ 1,633.71	Corporation registration to State of Michigan
14-Oct-2012	payment	1004	\$ (50.00)	\$ 1,583.71	Ontonagon overpayment of League dues (\$100)
18-Oct-2012	payment	1005	\$ (60.00)	\$ 1,523.71	City of Marquette -rent Citizens Forum
18-Oct-2012	payment	1006	\$ (24.68)	\$ 1,499.03	Super One Fall meeting drinks and donuts
14-Nov-2012	deposit	x	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,999.03	ESC, IMT, HOU, NEG, MUN, MSTQ, ONTO, IRIV, IWOOD,
26-Nov-2012	deposit	x	\$ 100.00	\$ 2,099.03	MQT & CAL
8-Dec-2012	deposit	x	\$ 150.00	\$ 2,249.03	KBAY, M/M, NBY
10-Apr-2013	payment	1007	\$ (737.00)	\$ 1,512.03	Trophies BK Enterprises (13)
18-Apr-2013	payment	1008	\$ (1,390.00)	\$ 122.03	Payment to TST Media for Sport Ngin scoring system. \$895 annual \$495 set up

2013-2014 Season

Date	Transaction	Check #	Amount	Balance	Description
12-Aug-2013	payment	1009	\$ (20.00)	\$ 102.03	Corporation registration to State of Michigan
23-Oct-2013	deposit	x	\$ 900.00	\$ 1,002.03	14 assoc. paid dues at \$50/each plus M&M retainer of \$200
30-Oct-2013	payment	1010	\$ (80.00)	\$ 922.03	City of Marquette -rent Citizens Forum
11-Apr-2014	payment	1011	\$ (526.00)	\$ 396.03	Trophies BK Enterprises (9)
23-Jul-2014	payment	1331	\$ (895.00)	\$ (498.97)	Walt Sport Ngin annual fee
23-Jul-2014	transfer	x	\$ 900.00	\$ 401.03	transfer from CD to bank account

2014-2015 Season

Date	Transaction	Check #	Amount	Balance	Description
31-Jul-2014	payment	1332	\$ (20.00)	\$ 381.03	Corporation registration to State of Michigan
6-Nov-2014	deposit	x	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,631.03	ESC, IMTN, MSTQ, MUN, CAL, HOU, ONTO, IWOOD, IRIVER, KBAY
17-Nov-2014	deposit	x	\$ 500.00	\$ 2,131.03	MQT, NEG, NBY, M/M
22-Dec-2014	payment	1333	\$ (90.00)	\$ 2,041.03	Citizens Forum rent
8-Apr-2015	payment	1334	\$ (664.91)	\$ 1,376.12	Trophies BK Enterprises (11)
21-May-2015	payment	1335	\$ (595.00)	\$ 781.12	Walt Sport Ngin annual fee \$850-\$255 discount
21-May-2015	payment	1336	\$ (8.00)	\$ 773.12	Jeff new name plate for Iron Range Trophy

2015-2016 Season

Date	Transaction	Check #	Amount	Balance	Description
24-Jul-2015	payment	1337	\$ (20.00)	\$ 753.12	Corporation registration to State of Michigan
27-Aug-2015	payment	1338	\$ (200.00)	\$ 553.12	KBAY reserve payment to IRON RANGE
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				\$ 553.12	
				\$ 553.12	