

MSGHL League Fall Meeting

Saturday, September 09, 2017

I. Meeting Commenced at 8:00 PM

A. Board attendees

- Jeff Schultz
- Karl Borski
- Shannon Schmidt
- Jim Schlegel
- Lisa Lynch

B. Association attendees

- Steamboat
- WEHA
- Telluride
- Lady Rough Riders
- Vail
- New Mexico
- Colorado Select
- Summit
- Salt Lake City

C. Absent

- Aspen

II. Treasurers Report

\$8,493.10 balance as of September 9, 2017

Asked the group about the idea of Tournament Fee decrease due surplus on balance exceeding By-Laws. Membership agreed to drop by \$100 rather than the full amount of \$200 bringing the Fee to \$950. Well with in budget especially since ice rates dropped this year due to new contract. More banners and feather flags for the tournament would be beneficial for creating a clean, organized event. Membership felt it was reasonable.

Jump start on trophy orders was recommended by Harris (not in attendance) previously during a conference call. Simply making the membership aware of early purchases.

Invoicing for League Fees will be going out at the beginning of October based on team declarations for this coming season. Declarations were ratified at this meeting.

III. Tournament Report

Scott Harris N/A but pre-order on tournament awards is necessary due to production plant is in China and concerns of when Chinese New Year lands. Secured the contract at the Edge and we received a lower hour rate than previous years. -Jeff Shultz remarks on these topics on Scott Harris's behalf.

IV. Schedulers Report

Two week deadline on September 23rd for getting schedules completed. Membership agreed that this is a reasonable timeline. Uploading should begin shortly there after. Each home association is responsible for entering their own home games and should begin by the 23rd of September. Schedulers must submit their home schedules to the Director of Scheduling (Jim Schlegel).

V. Communications Report

None -

VI. Other Business

High School discussion for girls 19U as Club and not CHSSA. Although many association representatives feel this is a good direction most are struggling at getting their respective Athletic Directors onboard. The general feel is that as soon as a single association can get acceptance more will follow.

There are No 12U girls team are registered in the Front Range and seems to be problematic for growth of girls hockey. Andy Lutz-Travel is the perceived as largest discouragement. Another stipulation is that since there is no checking at 12U boys parents feel there is no need to not play boys hockey... once checking becomes part of the play (14U/Bantams) girls hockey is more accepted because there are no options for girls. Suggestion -12U should be re-evaluate with regards to the travel matrix to accommodate the front range teams to allow for more "jamboree-style" weekends so that Front Range teams can combine multiple mtn teams on a single weekend to reduce the travel (Traffic is the biggest complaint). Andy feels that the CRHL league teams would be amiable if this could be worked. Consideration of creating conferences (West/East) may assist in the reduction of travel however there are too few teams along the front range to justify this option.

Andy Lutz -CO Selects this year is strong at the 10U and 8U age divisions and will need to consider more options in the coming years.

Membership strongly encourages a creation of a 15U division. Considerations are that there are anywhere from 3-4 birth years at both the 12U and the 19U limiting the 14U to only 2 years. By creating a 15U this will add a year to this group making it more sustainable year after year. Karl Borski – There is no 15U Division recognized by USA Hockey (12,14,16,19 only). Discussion that was overwhelmingly agreed upon is that the League will get rid of the 14U division and re-institute the 16U division with the understanding that for the 2017-18 Season no birth year older than 2002 maybe allowed on this roster.

Vote in motion for U16 in lieu of 14U allowing only 2002 birth years and younger to be registered on the 1-T Roster for USA Hockey 16U:

Motion – Cathy Glynn

2nd Motion – Shannon Schmidt

Vote:

8 yea

1 no LRR

Aspen Absent

Motion Passed and wording in the Bylaws is reworded to reflect this change.

Bylaws and Rules and Regulations were circulated previously through all Board of Directors for revisions. Most of the edits were outdate verbiage such as the use of Point Streak as well as the Tier II (Rock Stars) Director and League responsibility. CAHA had notified (few years prior) MSGHL that they were not allowed to manage a Tier II NB team and only an association can do this. The wording in our By-laws were never removed and thus the need for a change in the By-Laws regarding it.

Membership reviewed all the changes on a overhead projector with the help from Jeff Shultz and read through by Karl Borski.

Motion to accept the changes to the Bylaws.

Motion to accept by Shannon Schmidt

2nd Motion Jim Schlegel

All in favor.

Motion to accept the changes to the Rules by Karl Borski

Motion to accept Jim Schlegel

2nd Jeff Shultz

All in favor.

Discussion on the challenges facing the Tier II Nationally Bound teams with regards to lack of administrative structure is a cause for concern especially when players dual roster on both their home recreational teams (MSGHL) and Tier II Teams. There's a clear lack of communication to work cooperatively between the Tier Directors and the MSGHL when it comes to scheduling. Colorado Tier II team declarations seem to happen much later (September) than the national average (May-June).

Declarations seem to be the biggest hang up when it comes to the scheduling of the Tier II "Jamboree-style" weekends adding to the strain of MSGHL scheduling.

Jeff Schultz – Suggested that the MSGHL should assume administrative role with primary focus being for scheduling purposes. Discussions with CAHA seems to be the prevailing notion that needs to take place in order for us to find a reasonable solution.

Jeff Shultz suggested that he'll reach out to CAHA (Randy Kanai) to initiate this discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 PM