

**MISSOURI HOCKEY, INC.**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**DECEMBER 14, 2022**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Pat Culiberk, Chris Durso, Tom Woolf, Larry Hellwig, Lloyd Ney, Jayne Lewis, Charlie Busenhart, Julie Jordan, Shawn Deaver, Chris Peterson, Deb Hellwig.

**MINUTES**

Pat Culiberk called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. Nine voting members were present plus President Culiberk.

1. **Prior Meeting Minutes.** Minutes from the prior meeting were reviewed by the members present. Motion to approve as written was made by Chris Peterson, Second by Julie Jordan. Minutes approved by vote of 7-0-2.
2. **Registrar Report.** Deb Hellwig reported that we currently have 11,953 members and coaches registered. 2,740 unclaimed. A big portion of that number are adults. She has received 8 board member rosters to date including ours.
3. **Treasurer Report.** Tom Woolf sent out a report regarding our present finances to all board members prior to the meeting. We have \$447K in the bank. We have a Disabled Festival Account with \$35K in it. Our rent payment has been made. The affiliate presidents voted at their last meeting to purchase gift cards for the USA staff. We will participate in that. We have paid Tony Dos Santos' fee for being Safe Sport work. We recently received another transfer from \$4,576 for registration fees. Motion to approve treasurer report by Larry Hellwig, Second by Charlie Busenhart. Our finances were reviewed by USA Hockey as occurs every three years. We expect a letter soon. We will get 30 days to respond. The review went well. Report approved by vote of 9-0-0.
4. **Invoices to Approve.** Tom Woolf presented two invoices for board approval. One from the City of Sunset Hills for \$120 and a second of \$16 to pay our personal property taxes. Motion to approve by Lloyd Ney, second by Charlie Busenhart. Approved payment of both invoices by vote of 9-0-0.
5. **Web Site.** Tom Woolf reported that all is going well with the website. His current project is the prepare an e-form to register for our player development camp.
6. **Rules & Disciplinary.** Pat Culiberk reported that he is working with Committee chairman, Larry Boyd regarding pending matters. There is a match penalty set for hearing tomorrow night. There was another situation where the league removed the player before a hearing could be set. There was a discussion as to whether or not we should go back to the way that penalties used to be handled (each league handling their own). Pat Culiberk and Chris Durso will draft a letter that clearly sets out the options available to the players under the new match penalty rule. We have had 12 match penalties this year so far which is less than last season.
7. **Referees Report.** No report. There was discussion regarding a game at Wentzville. 16-18 players on each bench were on the ice fighting. Game between an Indiana team and a Utah team.
8. **Recap from Affiliate Presidents Meeting in Nashville.** Pat Culiberk indicated that he sent a copy of his notes to all Board members.

9. **Coaching Achievement Program.** Pat Culiberk reported that we still have people coaching teams that do not have the required training. They need to be identified and removed from the rosters by 12/31/22.
10. **Youth Division.** They have provided the rules of the Tier I and Tier II Qualifiers. The only changes were the dates and the girls age brackets. Some questions were raised but could not be resolved as the Youth Board president was not present. Conditional motion to approve pending clarification was made by Chris Durso, second by Larry Hellwig. Pat will report on clarifications at the next meeting. Vote to approve was 8-0-0.
11. **Girls/Women Report.** Jayne Lewis reported that she was unable to make the USA Hockey Girls hockey conference meeting in Seattle.
12. **Mid-States High School Hockey Report.** Charlie Busenhart reports that they have had three games forfeited due to too many players out of town. This is a problem. This season they have no game scheduled on Central States playoff weekend. This season attendance has been good even with ice scheduling problems that they have been experiencing.
13. **MVCHA.** No report.
14. **Adult Hockey Report.** Dave Rapp at Centene Rink indicated that he has submitted (claimed?) all his players. Deb Hellwig indicated that many of the players used last years registration number and that forces her to have to look them up manually and get their current registration numbers. This is a cumbersome process.
15. **Disabled Report.** Lloyd Ney reported that there is a telephone meeting ever two weeks regarding the Disabled Festival. There are a lot of players registering. Tom has set up a registration form on the web site. Things seem to be going well.

There being no further business to transact, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted;

*Larry H. Hellwig*

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