

**Missisquoi Amateur Hockey Association
Minutes of the Board Meeting
Thursday, May 10, 2018**

The MAHA board meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by President Adam Fortin. The meeting was held at the Highgate Sports Arena. Adam began the meeting by asking the members to avoid sidebar conversations and to respect everyone by allowing members to finish their statements.

Board Members in attendance were:

Adam Fortin, President	Krystin Valenti, Girls Director
Judy Laroche, Treasurer	Angela DeSanctis, T-Blade Director
Marcy Stefaniak Vice President	Dawn Lapan, Mite Director
Karen Fortin, Secretary/State Rep	

MAHA Board Members Absent: Corey Fregeau, Bantam Director, Joe Severy, Director of Coaches Carrie Bessette, Peewee Director and Amy Messier, Squirt Director

MAHA Members: Mark Gilbert, Justin Rainville, Mike Laplant, Jason Hakey, Penny Hakey, Corey Belrose, Heather Belrose, Abby Laplant, Brian Fortin, Megan Reynolds, Scott Powers, Joel Jarvis, and Adam DeSanctis.

By-Law Approval: A motion was made by Angela DeSanctis to approve the updated by-laws that were presented for review at the March 28, 2018 meeting. Seconded by Marcy Stefaniak. All in favor, motion carried.

Secretary's Report: All in attendance reviewed the minutes from the March 20, 2018 MAHA meeting. A motion was made by Angela DeSanctis to accept the minutes, seconded by Marcy Stefaniak. All in favor, motion carried.

All in attendance reviewed the minutes from the March 28, 2018 MAHA meeting. A motion was made by Angela DeSanctis to accept the minutes, seconded by Marcy Stefaniak. All in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: All in attendance reviewed the treasurer's report from the March 31, 2018 MAHA meeting. A motion was made by Marcy Stefaniak to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Dawn Lapan. All in favor, motion carried.

Judy stated that we currently have a balance of \$7458.49.

Judy stated in addition to the balance, MAHA currently has \$3100 from a donation made to the facility that will need to be turned over.

It was agreed that we would pay Julie Hoy \$966 for accounting fees.

Judy added that she has talked to Julie about adding a line item for the jersey fund as suggested at the last meeting. The funds raised by jersey fees and donations did not cover the purchases for the 40 sets of Mite jerseys this past year. That line item would be negative \$290 for this season.

State Report: Karen stated that a Girl's State meeting was held on April 8th. Emily Cabral the State Girls Director brought all the organizations together. Karen stated that she, Marcy, Tom Fitzgerald, and Lynne Airolti attended the meeting. It was very informative and the other organizations attending are in the same situation as we are. Emily plans on holding a second meeting sometime this summer. How to build our girls programs and sharing ideas.

Karen stated that she had contacted Sportsengine about their Dibs program on the website. The Dibs program allows members to sign up and track their own hours once confirmed. Karen added that she was given a quote of \$500 annually. Karen stated that Marcy and herself attended a session on Dibs at the kick off meeting and they both agree they had said it was \$250 for the program. Karen will reach out to Harwood to see if they have paid more than \$250 for their program. They really liked the program and said its very easy to use.

Old Business:

Development Camp: Adam stated that he thought the Development Camp went well. They had more help on the ice, so coaches weren't on the ice for the whole session like last year. Brian and Marcy thought the Goalies had too much ice time. They were expected to do their drills and be on the ice for the skater's drills.

New Business:

Dryland Opportunities:

Offsite: Marcy stated that SASA offered dryland sessions (team building) five sessions for \$25 at RAW.

Karen stated that Joe may have access to the Swanton Army one day a week. Mark mentioned about the possibility of access to the school. It was asked who would oversee running the dryland? It would have to be someone committed weekly. It was stated that the dryland would have to be on a non-practice night. Adam stated that we couldn't make the dryland mandatory as that would be one more day to ask parents to travel and doesn't want to have people have to pay for it. He would like to incorporate dryland for his team prior to practice outside Oct/Nov. If they want more for their child, they can pay for a trainer. Adam added that he has talked to Spencer about it at New Beginnings in Swanton.

Summer Dryland: It was agreed to run the summer dryland until the week schools begins because we then lose players to Fall sports. It was suggested to run 13 sessions from July 10th – August 23rd. 13 sessions for \$25 and offer a family rate with a punch card.

It was suggested to send out a survey on dryland to see how many would be interested. Last year we had 18 players take part.

Fundraising Committee:

Angela stated the Calcutta is booked for November 2nd. She will be planning a Calcutta Committee meeting once school is out.

Dunkin Doughnut has a fundraiser that is \$10 for a coupon book.

Preseason Skating:

Mark stated that he would get in touch with Dan McFarlan about a preseason clinic.

Brian stated that he would be work with the goalies once a week.

Karen stated that she can reach out to Dan Daley about the contact clinic like we held last year.

Karen also stated that Emily Cabral would come to promote girl's hockey or help with Girls Try Hockey for Free Day.

A motion to move into Executive session was made by Marcy Stefaniak, seconded by Krystin Valenti . All in favor, motion approved.

A motion was made to exit Executive Session by Marcy Stefaniak. Seconded by Dawn Lapan. All in favor, motion approved.

A motion to adjourn the MAHA meeting was made by Krystin Valenti. Seconded by Angela DeSanctis, all in favor motion carried.

Everyone was in agreement to schedule the next meeting after school is out for the summer.

Minutes Submitted by,

Karen Fortin
MAHA Secretary