



Maine Coast Storm: December Meeting

Date: Wednesday, December 4, 2024

Time: 6:30pm

Location: MRC Boardroom

Standing Agenda Topics:

Attendance

X	Kristin Falla	X	Danielle Nelson	X	Iride Piechoki
X	Bo Hoppin	X	Todd Adams		Jen Corbett
	Valerie Hilchey		Micah Kelly	X	Regina Dennis
X	Erica Gates	X	Ruth Thyen		
X	Kristen Smith		Andrew Marshall		

- Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:31pm.
- Public Comment:** Hockey Official Caleb Ouillette voiced his concern on structure of House Hockey games. House Hockey penalties were clarified. Penalties should be called and it was discussed that the player committing the penalty will go off the ice for the remainder of their shift. If the penalty is major, that player will sit the next the next shift out. Iride will send out a document outlining House Hockey rules.
- Approval of November Meeting Minutes:** Erica made a motion to approve November's meeting minutes and Bo seconded the motion. All were in favor of the approval of the minutes.
- President's Report:**
 - Travel Player Jackets – New Player Discounted Price \$25.00; Player Reorder \$50.00: Erica made a motion to approve this cost for jackets and Iride seconded the motion. All were in favor of the cost of jackets as mentioned. The deadline to order the jackets is the 13th. Erica will send an invoice to those that don't pay via check.
 - Hedstrom Tournament Recap: There were 36 kids divided amongst 6 teams for a 3v3 tournament as well as 10 family teams in the family division. Storm raised \$1,200.00 (after ice time was paid for). The hope is for more sponsorships and growth for next year.

- c. 2nd MEAHA Representative: Iride nominated Todd to be the 2nd MEAHA representative. Erica seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- d. MEAHA Update – Approval for 12U Black Goalie Options: Kristin received league approval for a couple additional options to cover the 12U Black goalie vacancy. One waiver is for additional play-ups for 10U goalie Steven. The MEAHA rule waivers will keep the 12U Black team playing with a goalie in net.
- e. Adjusted Ice Schedule – Tsunami Cancelled: Tsunami has been cancelled due to not enough interest. 18U can now drop in to 14U practice on Fridays at 7:50-8:40. Players will need to have a USA hockey number.
- f. Move January Meeting to 01/08/2025: All were in agreement to move the next Board meeting to this date.

5. **Treasurer’s Report (Todd):** Todd shared the monthly financial statement. He had just submitted a month’s ice payment to MRC and had ordered game sheets from USA Hockey. Storm also just received a \$500.00 sponsorship from Moody’s Diner.

6. **Safety Updates (Jen):** Jen was not present but stated via email that she had sent an email reminding coaches that players need to wear neck guards.

7. **Coaching Updates (Andrew):**

- a. Coaches gear has been ordered, monogrammed, & delivered. Equipment includes jackets, whistles, ice markers, puck bags for away games, and white boards.
- b. There is some interest in acquiring another shallow-depth full-size goal that would fit thru the equipment door since there are often 3 goalies on the ice during skills practices. Cost is approximately \$550.00. Perhaps a grant could defray costs?
- c. Almost everybody is up to date on certification requirements.
- d. Andrew is in the process of doing 1/3 season check-ins with head coaches, getting status reports and feedback about how things are going, and offering support where needed.
- e. 18U pre-season sessions were well-attended and high-energy. The possibility of getting a few games for that group next year is being explored.

8. **Program Updates (All):**

- a. House hockey: House Hockey penalties were clarified (see above). Iride will send an email to refresh families on rules and volunteer hour requirements. Slap shots will be taken with discretion, taking into consideration who is in goal.
- b. NYE Round Robin House Hockey – This will take place on the 31st from 3:40-5:50; reaching out to parents to bring food to this event was discussed.
- c. Moody’s Diner is sponsoring this week’s player of the game. Alternating Horch and Moody’s Diner as sponsors for Player of the Week was discussed.
- d. Tournament for 10u and 12u black – Tournaments are still being finalized.
- e. Registration: House Hockey registration will soon open to 8U.

9. **Fundraising Update:** The Flatbread fundraiser raised \$349.00 and the Wight’s clothing sale raised \$645.00. Every other week, the Player of the Game will be sponsored by Moody’s Diner or Horch Roofing. Cutting Edge Construction has sent a check to sponsor a board. It was agreed upon that the misprints from Wight’s will be purchased to sell. This Sunday is the Mariner’s game where Storm is able to do the 50/50 raffle.

10. **Grow the Game Grant:** MEAHA will be asked when Grow the Game grant money will be received. An updated Storm banner has been quoted \$250.00 through Adventure Advertising. Setting up a table at some morning 8U games was discussed in order to amplify Storm exposure.

Action items:

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:22pm.
 The next meeting will be held: January 8th, 2025 at 6:30pm

Board of Directors:

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1	President	Kristin Falla
2	Vice President	Bo Hoppin
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