

M.A.H.A. DISTRICT 8
SPRING MEETING- APRIL 19, 2008
WAWONOWIN COUNTRY CLUB

Director Perry Wooden called the meeting to order at 10:07 AM.

- A. Roll call and Introductions
- B. Approval of Minutes
 - 1. The minutes from the fall meeting were emailed to all council members prior to this meeting.
 - 2. Motion by Dan Zubiena to accept the minutes from the fall meeting as presented. 2nd: Randy Ritari. Motion carries.
- C. Treasurer's Report
 - 1. Cathy Starrett emailed the treasurer's report to all council members prior to this meeting.
 - 2. Motion by Ritari to accept the treasurer's report. 2nd: Zubiena. Motion carries.
- D. Medal and Trophy Recap
 - 1. The district paid \$5.25 plus shipping for district tournament medals. The associations hosting a tournament were charged only \$5.00 per medal.
 - 2. Motion by Jeff Harvey to raise the District Tournament entry fee by \$40.00 per team for district tournaments to relieve the district of trophy and medal costs. 2nd: Walt Milligan. Motion carries.
- E. Approval of Lunch
 - 1. Motion by Ritari to have the district pay the cost of today's lunch. 2nd: Zubiena. Motion carries.
- F. Registrar's Report
 - 1. Ralph Bammert reports we are down 129 players district wide from last season
 - 2. The state of Michigan is down 1,953 players.
- G. MAHA Report
 - 1. Bob Yohe reports that MAHA will pay one night's hotel cost for each Association President or a representative to attend the summer MAHA meeting. Associations are encouraged to send someone to the meeting held in Sault Ste. Marie July 11-13, 2008.
 - 2. There were two state champions from District 8. They were a Squirt B team from Dickinson Amateur Hockey Association and a 16U Girls team from Marquette Junior Hockey Corporation.
 - 3. District 8 hosted the bantam state championships this year.
 - 4. Yohe presented a Power Point presentation on district issues. They included by-laws, draft rules, coach responsibilities, team registrations, invalid games, district tournament exemptions, match penalty procedures, abuse prevention and the list of deadlines.
 - 5. Yohe will email the presentation to the council members.

H. Officiating Reports

1. Sean Jacques appreciates the way the directors handled all of the hearings that were done this year.
2. The Bantam State tournaments went well.
3. Two area officials worked the Tier I National Tournaments. They were Damon Byring and Eric Froberg.
4. George Niemi reports they will focus on cleaning up the language used during bantam level and up games, match penalty reporting and the standards of play.
5. Jacques will attend a Canadian summit in May in Quebec.

I. DAL Report

1. Bill Peterson's cell is 989-916-5351
2. Peterson reports the Alpena community hockey, figure skating and speed skating groups will hold a fund raiser to increase membership in their groups. Proceeds will fund any first year skater that wants to try skating.

J. Coaching Education/ ACE Director Report

1. Ward Johnsen's report was sent by email to the council members.
2. A Level 3 clinic will be held in Marquette in September, in Houghton in early December and mid-week sometime in Escanaba.
3. Level 1 clinics will be held as needed.
4. Level 2 clinics will be held in conjunction with the level 3 clinics.
5. A Level 4 clinic will be held in Escanaba August 22-24.
6. Skill Development and Cross-Ice help is available by contacting the ACE director.
7. No coaching waivers any more.

K. Director's Reports

1. Zubiena thinks Yohe's Power Point should be repeated at the fall meeting.
2. Ritari will cover the rule changes later in the agenda.
3. Wooden has nothing to report.

L. Association Reports

1. Marquette- nothing to report.
2. Escanaba- all is good.
3. Iron Range- Hosted midget districts and bantam state tournaments.
4. Copper Country- Good year.
5. Dickinson- No issues.
6. Ironwood- No issues.
7. Iron River- Making improvements to arena.
8. Manistique- Had some in house issues but the kids had fun.
9. Ontonagon- Signed a one year lease.
10. Munising- Good year, had some compressor issues, complimented Escanaba on the squirt districts.
11. Calumet- Hosted the Bantam A states, installing a dehumidifying system.

M. District/State Tournament Report

1. Wooden reports the tournaments he attended ran well.

- N. Bantam/Midget Festival
 - 1. First year of online registration went well.
 - 2. 119 players attended.
 - 3. Good group of evaluators.
 - 4. Finances are still unresolved.
- O. NIHL Report
 - 1. The spring meeting was poorly attended due to a snowstorm.
- P. CUP League Report
 - 1. Spring meeting will be held following this meeting.
- Q. Old Business-none
- R. New Business- Fall Meeting Date
 - 1. The D-8 fall meeting will be held October 18, 2008 at 9:00AM at the Wawonowin Country Club.
- S. Set Regional/ District Tournament Sites
 - 1. Region 1- Squirt, Peewee and Bantam- Munising- Jan. 16-18.
 - 2. Region 2- Squirt- Ontonagon- Jan. 16-18.
 - 3. Region 2- Peewee- Iron River- Jan. 16-18
 - 4. Region 2- Bantam – Ontonagon- Jan. 9-11.
 - 5. District Squirt B- Copper Country- Feb. 13-15.
 - 6. District Squirt A, AA, Peewee A, Midget A - Marquette- Feb. 6-8
 - 7. District Peewee B- Munising- Feb. 13-15
 - 8. District Peewee AA, Bantam A, Bantam AA, Midget AA-Calumet- Feb. 13-15
 - 9. District Bantam B- Iron Mountain- Feb.20-22
 - 10. District Midget B/BB- Iron Range- Feb. 20-22
- T. Review Rule Change Proposals
 - 1. Ritari reviewed the 25 rule change proposals sent forward to the summer meeting.
- U. One Goal Committee Report
 - 1. Starrett encouraged all associations to apply for a One Goal grant.
 - 2. There is One Goal beginner's equipment available for purchase. Contact George Atkinson.
- V. Recap
 - 1. The summer MAHA meeting will be held July 11-13, 2008 at the Keewadin Resort in Sault Ste. Marie.
- W. Gate Fees
 - 1. Motion by Ken Farley to raise the gate fee for district tournaments to \$200.00. 2nd: Linda Winslow. Motion fails 8-3.
- X. District Tournament Guidelines
 - 1. Wooden will chair a committee to set some written guidelines for running a district tournament.
- Y. Block Grant
 - 1. Think about it this summer!
- Z. Tournament Listings
 - 1. Area tournaments are listed on the CUP league website.

AA. Mileage Rates

1. Motion by Winslow to pay the going IRS rate for mileage. 2nd: Milligan. Motion carries.

BB. National Tournament

1. USA Hockey will consider locations for a 48 team tournament.
2. Michigan does not support the super site concept.

CC. Adjourn

1. Motion to adjourn the meeting by Ken Farley. 2nd: Winslow.
2. Meeting adjourned at 1:35 PM.
3. The fall meeting will be held October 18, 2008 at 9:00 AM at Wawonowin Country Club.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cathy Starrett