



A quorum being present, a Massachusetts Hockey regular monthly meeting as listed in the Massachusetts Hockey Guide Book 2013-2014 Calendar of Events, was called to order at 7:42 pm on Monday, November 4, 2013, by Keri-Anne Allan, President, at the Hilton Garden Inn, Waltham, Massachusetts with attendance recorded by the Secretary including 43 voting members having signed in.

**I. PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS:** Welcome

**II. SPECIAL GUESTS/REPORTS:** Kevin Kavanagh spoke on behalf of Mike Dargin of the Boston Bruins who was not able to attend the meeting: The Coaching Symposium held on Saturday, October 26, 2013 was very successful. The meeting with the Association Presidents also went well. Another meeting with the Association Presidents will be scheduled in late April/Early May.

**III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:** Fifty-eight rinks participated in "Try Hockey for Free". The National Bound Tournament website is being improved. There is a committee meeting later tonight to set the teams.

**IV. REGISTRAR:** Tournament sanctions moving along. MA Hockey does not sanction leagues

**V. REFEREE-IN CHIEF:**

No report.

**VI. COACH-IN-CHIEF:** Clinics going well. 15 complete – 10 remaining. Last year 2200 went through clinics. So far this year 1760 have participated.

**VII. INSURANCE/RISK MANAGER:**

No report.

**VIII. DISTRICT PROGRAMS**

District #1: Fall playdowns complete

District #2: Next meeting Monday. All quiet.

District #3: Bantam playdowns complete. Others starting up

District #4: Rosters not being turned in

District #5: Next meeting Thursday. Playdowns progressing. New Director – Tom Welch.

District #6: All rosters received. League made rule that any games played without rosters would be forfeited.

District #7: President dinner 11/20. Bantam playdowns 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>

District #8: Playdowns 1/3 complete. Next meeting next week

District #9: Bantam playdowns started. Hearing on match penalty

District #10: Playdowns complete. Meeting next week.

Club: All quiet

Girls/Women's: U16 & U19 playdowns complete. State Tournament Thanksgiving weekend. Girls Try Hockey for free had 25 participants.

High School: Jr. High hockey increasing.

National Bound: Finishing last minute adjustments for this weekend's tournament

Seniors: 4-5 teams registered

Referees: Seminars complete. Supervisor meeting next month

**IX. SECRETARY**

A motion made by Allen Wright and seconded by Rick Fask passed by a unanimous vote to accept the minutes of the October 7, 2013 Monthly Meeting of Massachusetts Hockey.



#### **X. GENERAL COUNSEL**

5000 CORI screens to date – up from last year. Emails are sent to registrars listing who is screened.

#### **XI. FINANCE**

All quiet.

#### **XII. ADMINISTRATION**

All quiet.

#### **XIII. OPERATIONS**

Tryouts finalized by Thanksgiving  
Rosters due by December 15th

#### **XIV. PLANNING**

Cheever Grant: Grant process open early October. Registrars should remind programs of deadlines  
ADM: Don trying to put together an ADM meeting  
Long Range: Meeting in October focused on goals and objectives  
Sportsmanship: New application on website

#### **XV. EVENTS**

Hall of Fame: about 150 attending Hall of Fame Awards Dinner.  
Special Events: Next month's meeting will include a holiday celebration with sandwiches, fancy desserts, and one drink. Grab gift \$10 – Bring a gift, take a gift

#### **XVI. EDUCATION**

Safe Sport: take course by 11/15. Missing coordinators from several districts.  
Safety: from the Concussion Symposium: 1. Create legislation to reduce fighting. 2. Great research being done on concussions focusing on treatments. 3. Lack of checking being coached at PeeWee level. Safety meeting next month with Doc.

**XVII. OLD BUSINESS**: three people responded to the Mite Exception issue. Suggested options were discussed by Keri-Anne and will be sent out to the membership. Looking for what direction we should go. Will be looking for a consensus at the December meeting.

#### **XVIII. NEW BUSINESS:**

The Eboard is looking to come up with a financial aid fund to help families in need. A committee has been formed. Committee chairs will be invited to Eboard meetings.

The next regular monthly meeting of Massachusetts Hockey will be held Monday, December 2, 2013 at 7:30 pm. as noted in the Massachusetts Hockey Guide Book 2013-2014 Calendar of Events.

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:49 by Allen Wright and seconded by Dave Pelletier was approved by consensus.

Respectfully submitted,

Mindy O'Neil  
Secretary

Reviewed and approved,

Keri-Anne Allan  
President and Presiding Officer