



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, January 6, 2014, by Keri-Anne Allan, President, at the Hilton Garden Inn, Waltham, Massachusetts with attendance recorded by the Secretary including 36 voting members having signed in.

I. PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: Keri wished everyone a Happy New Year.

II. SPECIAL GUESTS/REPORTS: None

III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: Kevin Kavanagh noted that Mike Dargin could not be here but he is working on the Try Hockey For Free Events with USA Hockey. Kevin encouraged programs to participate in THFF after the Olympics. Kevin reported on the cross ice hockey event as part of Frozen Fenway. A professional video is being put together on the values of cross ice hockey and the hard dividers.

IV. REGISTRAR: USA Hockey office has been closed for a while keeping things quiet.

V. REFEREE-IN CHIEF: Owen has stepped down as referee in chief. There are three candidates that have stepped up for the position. The candidates will be interviewed by USA Hockey to select. Dave Costa, Kevin Donovan and Mark Sampson are the three candidates.

VI. COACH-IN-CHIEF: Clinics are done for the year. 60% increase in the number of coaches who attended the clinics. On line modules are still up and running. Coaches who have not done their module should not coach until they have completed the module. The cost has increased to \$50 for those who did not complete the module by December 31, 2013. Modules will shut down on April 30, 2014.

VII. INSURANCE/RISK MANAGER: No report.

VIII. DISTRICT PROGRAMS

District #1: Getting ready for district playdowns on 1/20. Had a discipline hearing from a program that is being appealed by the individual.

District #2 : Playdowns are MLK weekend, all else quiet.

District #3: Playdowns are in progress.

District #4: Playdowns are almost complete.

District #5: No Report

District #6: All Quiet

District #7: Playdowns are starting soon.

District #8: MLK weekend are the playdown finals and mite jamboree.

District #9: Playdowns are started meeting 1/13/2014.

District #10: Playdowns are MLK weekend.

Club: All Quiet

Girls/Women's: Meeting 1/13/2014

High School: All Quiet

National Bound: All Quiet

Seniors: All Quiet

Referees: Adding a seminar on January 25, 2014 at the Boston Convention Center and South Boston Rink. This is the last one of the year. Registration for this last clinic will be on the USA Hockey site in the next few days.

IX. SECRETARY

A motion by Mike Bonish seconded by Greg Sophis to accept the minutes of the December Monthly Meeting of Massachusetts Hockey passed by unanimous vote.

X. GENERAL COUNSEL Have done over 5500 CORI screenings to date this year. The Conflict of Interest form needs to be updated and people will need to re-do this form in June 2014 at the Massachusetts Hockey Annual Meeting.



XI. FINANCE Reviewed the USA Hockey audit. Expenses/Receipts will require the itemized receipts for meals not just the credit card receipt.

XII. ADMINISTRATION All Quiet

XIII. OPERATIONS Rick Fask reported the disabled festival is April 11-13 at New England Sports Center. 23 teams registered to date. Hoping to get to 50 to 60 teams. Looking for corporate sponsors for the event.

XIV. PLANNING 36 applications for the Cheever Grants.

XV. EVENTS Award nomination forms will be coming out soon. Special events committee meeting tomorrow night . Working on something special for the 40th anniversary of Massachusetts Hockey.

XVI. EDUCATION All members of the boards should have taken the safesport. The new site is training.teamusa.org. January 31, 2014 the old site, training.safesport.org, will be shut down.

XVII. OLD BUSINESS The mite exemption to be proposed to USA Hockey at the Winter meeting was on the table with the agenda. There is one minor adjustment to the bullets at the bottom to take out the statement on the number of games in a tournament. The proposal is for 8 full ice games after December 31, 2014 and two tournaments after December 15, 2014. This lowers the number of games, but adds the tournaments in December to allow teams to participate in Holiday tournaments.

We will have to vote on this or an amended proposal at the February meeting. Other rule change proposals may be on the floor at the March meeting.

XVIII. NEW BUSINESS: Two USA Hockey warriors teams will be playing in the "Americans Hero Hockey Challenge" Will be raising money for themselves, Travis Roy foundation and the One Fund Boston. April 8th at the Edge Sports Center in Bedford. April 9th is the marquee event at the Tsongas Arena where they will play against a team of former Olympians.

The next regular monthly meeting of Massachusetts Hockey will be held Monday, February 3, 2014 at 7:30 pm. as noted in the Massachusetts Hockey Guide Book 2013-2014 Calendar of Events.

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:42 pm by Mike Bonish and seconded by John Tobin was approved by consensus.

Respectfully submitted,

Mindy O'Neil
Secretary

Reviewed and approved,

Keri-Anne Allan
President and Presiding Officer