

**MHSLA
Meeting Minutes
April 20, 2021**

Attendees: John Noble; Tina Drain; Mike Power; Dave Madeira; Steve Amish – nonvoting member; Sheryll Stewart; Dan Carroll; Jeff Craig; Chris Frasier & Ryan Kann – Glacier coach; Shawn Skinner; Mike Flaherty; Lance Wepler

Programs not represented: Whitefish, Rimrock

Agenda:

- A. Approve 2/16/2021 board meeting minutes
- B. Approve 3/16/2021 board meeting minutes
- C. Roster/results/statistics compliance
 - Rule 10.3.1, results and statistics to be reported on MHSLA website by Monday after contest completion
- D. Glacier Girls – request for waiver to merge with Missoula Wild Girls for remainder of 2021 season
- E. Bozeman Boys D2 White – proposal to drop from state D2 tournament
- F. 2021 State Tournament
 - Who is/will be tournament director?
- G. Future agenda topics?

Meeting called to order at 7:35 p.m.

Motion to approve agenda by Dan Carroll, second by Jeff Craig. **Vote: Motion carries.**

- A. Approve 2/16/2021 board meeting minutes

Motion to approve A by Mike Flaherty, second by Steve Amish. **Vote: Motion carries.**

- B. Approve 3/16/2021 board meeting minutes

Motion to approve B by Mike Flaherty, second by Steve Amish. **Vote: Motion carries.**

- C. Roster/results/statistics compliance

- Rule 10.3.1, results and statistics to be reported on MHSLA website by Monday after contest completion

Discussion: Rule Compliance Reminder of Rule 10.3.1, results and statistics to be reported on MHSLA website by Monday after contest completion. Note for team statisticians, don't mark as final until after all stats are entered by both teams. Mark as "In Progress." If marked Final, can't enter stats.

- D. Glacier Girls – request for waiver to merge with Missoula Wild Girls for remainder of 2021 season.

Presented by Ryan Kann. Only 8 players on Glacier team, unable to compete. Not favorable to other teams to play down. Chose to merge with Wild as they are a predominantly new team. Not combining with powerhouse teams. Just want girls to keep playing. Would like to keep promoting Glacier program. Waiver for 2021 season only, similar to Whitefish/Glacier boy's merger. Heavy recruiting for

next season. **Motion** to grant waiver by Mike Flaherty; seconded by Dave Madeira. **Vote:** None opposed, **Motion carries.**

Discussion: Significant discussion on existing roster issues and games that have already been played. Needs to be consistency between boys and girls HS programs. All programs need to follow the MHSLA rulebook or the league and teams will see continued lower numbers. Consensus that all programs support kids playing. Per MHSLA rule book: Teams not willing to play games at 8x8 or lower would be able to cancel games. Per Ryan, Glacier would be willing to forfeit the games, suggested that Wild would probably also. Sentinel and Glacier had requested an emergency meeting in order to follow the rules for this merger. No action taken until this Board meeting.

Glacier will forfeit games as they didn't follow the proper MHSLA procedure. Discussion related to jerseys will continue through Slack app.

E. Bozeman Boys D2 White – proposal to drop from State D2 tournament

Presentation by Lance Weppler. Full description of the issue was placed in Slack Scheduling channel. Want to keep teams as competitive as possible rather than sinking one D2 team.

Discussion: Cody's concern, from last game was that competition is not an issue for Bozeman Red. The way the teams were split was a choice by the Bozeman program. Noble: Bozeman would need to follow MHSLA rules. Per MHSLA Rule 6.8.4. seniors are allowed to play D2, just need notification 2 weeks prior to the season. **Motion - none. Proposal rejected.** Follow-up: Bozeman needs to evaluate rosters. Other teams may enter protest if Bozeman rosters were not correct at the time of the scheduled game.

F. 2021 State Tournament

- Who is/will be tournament director?
 - Bearcats are hosting; TSL would be considered tournament director.

G. Miscellaneous

- Scheduling games for boys and girls. On 5/1, Glacier needs games. Get to team reps and have them get answers on the scheduling channels. Per Noble, no change requests currently submitted.
- What about games cancelled from COVID? Tough to get scheduling done.
- TSL live stream. When a player signs up to play TSL, they sign a release. Does MHSLA have a video release? TSL shouldn't be able to make money off MHSLA games when parents have to buy the video. Does TSL receive rights and royalties on the live stream? Can teams buy and/or download? Add as a future agenda topic.

Motion to adjourn by Mike Flaherty, second by Dave Madeira. **Vote:** Motion carries.

Meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.