

**Missisquoi Amateur Hockey Association
Minutes of Board Meeting
Tuesday, September 15, 2020**

The MAHA board meeting was called to order at 6:33pm by Vice-President Marcy Stefaniak. The meeting was held at the Highgate Arena.

Board Members in attendance were:

Marcy Stefaniak Vice President	Carrie Bessette, Squirt Director
Karen Fortin, Secretary/State Rep	Angela DeSanctis, Mite Director (Called In)
Judy Laroche, Treasurer	Tom Gates, Peewee Director
Lindsay Ladd, Girls Director	Dawn Lapan, Bantam Director

MAHA Members Absent: Corey Fregeau, President

MAHA Members: Nola Gilbert, Mark Gilbert, Heather Gregoire and Chris Hatin

Secretary's Report: All in attendance reviewed the minutes from the August 25, 2020 MAHA meeting. A motion was made by Carrie Bessette to accept the minutes, seconded by Adam Fortin. All in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Table Report

Judy stated that we received a check for \$110 from Bottles on Wheels.

State Report:

Karen stated she attended the September 8th Zoom meeting with VSAHA. VSAHA has posted the "Return To Play Guidelines for 2020-2021". This can be found on their website.

One change that has been made are the officials will not be required to wear a mask during the game. They will need to wear a mask during a face off and if they need to speak with a coach or player and can not maintain a 6ft distance.

CCM has come out with a sports masks that will fits inside a player or goalies' cage.

Kim Gaines will be sending out a survey for team declarations and schedulers information. She will be holding a scheduler's meeting via zoom. Schedules will not be posted on the VSAHA website this year. Score sheets will still be required to be sent to the state. Only one game per day should be scheduled unless they are playing the same team.

Currently 148 Transfers have been submitted.

Northfield and PVA will not be having teams this season.
Rutland will be playing out of Giorgetti Rink.

Reminder that all volunteers need to have a background check completed if they did not complete one last year. Tom Gates is the only board member that is due to have his completed this year. Safesport is required for everyone. If you completed it last year, it is only a half hour refresher.

The Coaches Temporary Card will be available until December 31st. There is a \$50 fee and coaches will be required to attend their required clinic next season.

The next state meeting will be on Tuesday, October 13th via zoom.

Fundraising Committee:

Judy stated that all the fundraising packets have been sent out. Calendars are due November 1st.

Rada orders will be due November 19th so items will be in for Christmas.

Heather provided the donated gun information from Lost Nation. This will be used in an online auction for our Spring Calcutta.

Judy will provide a list of fundraising due dates and it will be sent out.

New Business:

Scheduling Games: Karen and Marcy will schedule games. Marcy attended the scheduler's meeting. Teams can declare Tiers or split evenly.

Ice: The start date has been moved to October 26th. The town and facility board have decided to wait until after the Governor's announcement on winter sports due October 15th. The facility cannot afford to put ice on twice.

Facility Guidelines: The Highgate Recreation Commission has agreed to allow one adult spectator per player. We can only have 75 people in the building. We cannot stress enough that everyone must follow these guidelines. Heather stated that there will be parents complaining about not being able to enter the arena. Karen stated that currently Highgate and Stowe are the only rinks allowing spectators in the building.

Marcy stated that everyone will have their temperature taken at the entrance and a roster completed for each team for tracing purposes.

Parent Meetings: We need to schedule parent meetings the week prior to the season starting so everyone knows how the traffic flow will be during practices and games. Expectations while in the facility.

A motion was made to enter executive session by Adam Fortin. Seconded by Lindsay Ladd. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made to exit executive session by Adam Fortin. Seconded by Carrie Bessette. All in favor, motion carried.

The next MAHA meeting will be held via zoom.

A motion to adjourn the MAHA meeting was made by Carrie Bessette. Seconded by Dawn Lapan all in favor motion carried.

Submitted by,
Karen Fortin, MAHA Secretary