

MISSOURI HOCKEY INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
May 25, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pat Culiberk, Tom Woolf, Larry Hellwig, Larry Boyd, Scott Smith, Jayne Lewis, Dave Sivcovich, Larry Sanderson, Charlie Busenhart, Shawn Deaver, Julie Jordon, Chris Durso, Deb Hellwig, Joe Kailin.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jeff Hayes, Lloyd Ney, Tim Deimeke, Bill Baker, Larry Bumb, Mike Rynes, Tony Dos Santos, Mark Diedrich.

MINUTES

Meeting called to order by Pat Culiberk at 7:00 pm.

1. **Approval of Prior Minutes.** Minutes were reviewed by all present. A typo was corrected in paragraph 9 in which "Carlie" was changed to Charlie. Motion to approve as amended by Larry Boyd, second by Dave Sivcovich. Minutes approved by vote of 7-0-2.
2. **High School Showcase Tournament.** Deb Hellwig reported that all went well with the Tournament. It was held at Centene Rink. Many positive comments from the teams that attended. Illinois Black teams won both the girl's and boy's brackets. This was the same time that both brackets were won by the same affiliate. Deb will present for next year's tournament at the upcoming Annual Congress.
3. **Registrar's Report.** We currently have 10,211 players and coaches. This is up 1,710 from last year. Safesport now lasts one year from the date last taken for everyone. We are doing better with getting the adults registered. We are still having problems with non-registered players getting into games. Lloyd is working with the adult leagues to improve this situation.
4. **Treasurer's Report.** Tom sent a copy of his report to everyone prior to the meeting. Our fiscal year will end next month. Dave will be preparing our tax return again this year. We will be audited this August or September by USA Hockey. Motion to approve treasurer's report by Scott Smith, second by Chris Durso. Report approved by vote of 11-0-0.
5. **Rules & Disciplinary Report.** We had two hearings recently. One ended with a time served suspension and the other resulted in a one-year suspension with an additional one-year probation. There still remains the Buha hearing which has been scheduled. We are told that he is back coaching.
6. **Referee Report (MIHOA).** Tentative date set for seminars is June 11th. There will be more in July and August. Trying to get them in early as games will be starting in September and October. It looks like we will have 11,000 game this season (which ends in August). That is up about 2,000 games from last season. All games have been covered. In addition, there was discussion about the refusal of officials to move nets.
7. **Player Development Report.** Chris Durso reported at 215 players signed up for this season. The process went well. Six of our players went to national camps. Chris would like more affiliate management of the financials. Running this thru Karen slows down the process as she is dealing with the Blue Note Cup at the same time. Chris thanked Steve Brickman for all of his help with the player development camp this year.

8. **Elections.** Pat Culiberk opened the election process beginning with Vice President. Chris Durso was nominated for Vice President Tom Woolf, second by Charlie Busenhart. There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed. Nominations for Secretary opened. Larry Boyd nominates Larry Hellwig, second Chris Durso. There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed. Nominations opened for Treasurer. Tom Woolf nominated by Larry Sanderson, second by Charlie Busenhart. There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed. Last was the Director at Large position previously held by Larry Sanderson who will be retiring. Tom Woolf nominated Chris Durso for the at Large Director, second by Larry Hellwig. There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed. As a result of this nomination as an affiliate at large director, Chris will step down from his position a YD director. Thanks to Larry Sanderson for his many years of service to youth hockey.
9. **Scholarship Names.** We will be having two scholarships starting this season. Chris Durso makes motion that we name the boys scholarship after Larry Sanderson and the girls scholarship after Sue Cooper. Second by Larry Hellwig. Motion carries by unanimous vote.
10. **Silver Stick Tournament.** Pat has been contacted about St. Louis hosting a tournament for them. There will be more information from Pat at the next meeting.
11. **SafeSport.** This has been a quiet month.
12. **Safety Coordinator.** Pat reported that Mike received an e-mail from our District Coordinator, Jerry Kennedy regarding Wisconsin legislation which will take effect in July 2022 which requires training for youth 12 and older. This could be a national movement.
13. **Youth Division.** Scott reports that this is off season and things are pretty quiet. AAA tryouts are going on now. Central States tryouts will begin on June 15th.
14. **Mid-States High School.** Charlie Busenhart reports that they are going to add a third scholarship. The scholarship has not been named as yet. They will have 26 varsity teams (up; by 2) and 26 JV teams (down by 1). Charlie wants to avoid conflicts with Central States and AAA teams. Mid-States had 6 games cancelled last season because of conflicts with youth games. Chris Durso suggested that we create a committee to look into the issue.
15. **Girls/Women.** Jayne indicated that there is not much to report. Getting ready for next season. General discussion regarding Rob Kunz's proposed girls high school hockey league. Pat asked Jayne to give Jeff Hayes help with the formation of the program. Pat said that Jeff has asked that we give Rob some "slack" regarding the creation of the program.
16. **Disabled Hockey.** Looks like things are coming together for the upcoming disabled festival se for next year.
17. **By-Laws Report.** Pat reports that work is continuing. Chris will be sending out a working document for members to review.
18. **Next Meeting.** June 22, 2022.

There being no further business to transact, the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted;

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