Meeting Minutes for November 8th, 2011 @ Kentwood High

Meeting called to order at 7pm

In attendance: Jean Laxton-director, Brett Roach-director, Brian Bellgraph-director, Jim Klinesmith-director, Art Kale-RIC, Berrien, Big Rapids, EGRAHA(David Szczepanski), GRAHA, Grand Valley, Holland, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Kentwood, Muskegon, Rockford, MNHA, West Kent, West Shore (John Slater), Todd O'Gorman (Kentwood), Doug Wemple (GRAHA), George Atkinson-President of MAHA, Amanda Gobert

Not in attendance: Tobin Boyd-chairperson, Paul Tiefenthal-director, Jill Remusdirector, Shirley Decker-registrar, Adrian, Battle Creek, CC Pride, Chelsea, GLAHA

No approval of October minutes, as they were not presented at the meeting.

George Atkinson brought Red Wings Premiere program jerseys for associations that are participating:

Those include: Adrian, EGRAHA, GRAHA, Grand Valley, Holland, Kalamazoo, Kentwood, Rockford, and MNHA

Registrar update: New coaching credential verification process

All association registrars received email with procedure to follow

It is the association's responsibility to monitor their coaching staff.

RIC update: Clinics are completed within D6 at this time

If a referee is skating without a crest, get your local RIC involved

Current crests are valid through November 30th.

No comments, either positive or negative, about the new peewee rule at this point

Still no RIC in the Grand Rapids area

Match report: 2 hearings in last month

2 hearings scheduled in Jackson for November 15th

STAR report: No information available

Reminder: STAR is for parents/spectators, NOT coaches

Coaching director: There MUST be a background checked adult in the locker room at all times

Might consider 2 people for safety issues

Coaching modules are due by December 31st. Make sure to allot enough time to complete the process.

Clinics to be held in D6:

Level 1—Dec. 4th in Kalamazoo

Level 1—Dec. 12th in Lansing

Level 2 & 3—Dec. 18th in Lansing

Level 2 & 3—Dec. 20th in Kalamazoo

Student coaching clinics can be handled at association level by coaching director

Brian would consider putting on IF enough enrollments can be guaranteed.

Suggested to add a ref to this clinic...just for perspective

Old Business:

Team counts—any changes, email Toby

Exceptions are due by November 15th

Voting on presented exceptions:

Holland Nationals—1 squirt B team—16 players-YES

Holland Nationals—1 peewee B team—10 players-YES

Holland Nationals—1 bantam B team—17 players-YES

Michigan Nationals-2 peewee house teams, both 10 players, 7 second years-YES to both

Kentwood Hockey-3 squirt teams-2nd years out of balance-No decision

Kevin Wood put forth a motion to allow directors to make decision once the Kentwood teams make the necessary adjustments to bring their teams to 7, 7 and 8 2nd years. Joe Spedowski seconded motion. Motion approved.

Kentwood—less than 3 teams—peewee level-YES

Big Rapids—less than 3 teams—bantam level-YES

Player exception-less than 10 games—new player moving to

town-YES

Big Rapids—less than 3 teams—peewee level-YES

Kalamazoo-16 players on team, 10 2^{nd} years. One 1^{st} year left after draft, but prior to

Rostering...put them out of formula-YES

West Shore—less than 3 teams—squirt B-YES

West Shore—less than 3 teams—peewee B-YES

West Shore—less than 3 teams—bantam B-YES

Rockford—less than 3 teams—squirt B-YES

Rockford—less than 3 teams—bantam B-YES

Muskegon—less than 3 teams—bantam B-YES

West Kent—peewee 1 has 10 2nd years, peewee 2 has 11 2nd year-out of formula-YES

Ann Arbor—10 game requirement—may not meet-YES

Player added in Mid-November—may not make game requirement-YES

West Kent—player Nathan Nicholson added late—may not meet game requirement-YES

CC Pride—less than 3 teams—squirt B—YES

CC Pride—less than 3 teams—bantam B-YES

Jackson—less than 3 tams—bantam-YES

Jackson-less than 3 teams—midget-YES

Player exceptions are the ONLY type that can be presented at the January state playoff meeting

Tournament sanction numbers: All tournaments in Michigan must have them. Check the MAHA website for more information.

Player releases—November 30th is the last day for a coach initiated release. After that, all releases must be player/parent initiated.

New Business:

MAHA Jamborees—information was emailed out—make sure you pass it on to your teams!

District tournament rules:

Amend rule 2.06 to include information about using Little Caesars standings for travel team seedings. It will include information about rankings within divisions and directionality within Little Caesars

Amend credential requirements-rule 1.4

No birth certificates required

No coaching cards required

Change portion about team manager liability form (done online now)

Level 4 clinics—March 16-18, 2012—Compuware office building

Marquette—August 2012

South Bend—September 2012

December meeting: December 13th, 2012, @ Tony M's restaurant in Lansing