

**Missisquoi Amateur Hockey Association  
Minutes of the Board Meeting  
Tuesday, June 20, 2017**

The MAHA board meeting was called to order at 6:31pm by President Adam Fortin. The meeting was held at the Highgate Arena Office.

Board Members in attendance were:

Adam Fortin, President	Amy Messier, Squirt Director
Marcy Stefaniak Vice President	Angela DeSanctis, T-Blade Director
Karen Fortin, Secretary/State Rep	Dawn Lapan, Mite Director
Judy Laroche, Treasurer	Krystin Valenti, Girls Director

Board Member not in attendance: Carrie Bessette, Peewee Director, Corey Fregeau, Bantam Director and Joe Severy, Director of Coaches

MAHA Members in Attendance: Nola Gilbert and Mark Gilbert

**Secretary's Report:** All in attendance reviewed the minutes from the April 19, 2017 meeting. A motion was made by Amy Messier to accept the minutes. Seconded by Marcy Stefaniak. All in favor, motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Tabled

Adam stated that Judy, Carrie and himself will be meeting with Ashley LaRocque on Thursday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30pm to receive the books from Ashley.

Judy stated that we currently have a balance of \$8685.51. Judy said she has April, May and June transactions for Carrie to enter. Judy added that she has asked Peoples United to split the credit on the credit card into two cards with \$5000 for MAHA hockey and \$5000 for MAHA facility. Judy also canceled the payroll saving \$45 per month.

**State Rep Report:** Karen stated that new rules have been voted on by USA hockey. One being no more icing the puck when a team is shorthanded and killing a penalty. New rule books will be distributed at the Annual meeting.

Karen stated that she did follow up with Nate Isham from VSAHA and asked when the release forms would be available. Nate told her the Transfer/Release forms will be available on the VSAHA site on August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Reminder the Annual "Kick Off" meeting is scheduled for Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup>. A detailed agenda will be forthcoming.

**Coaching Director: Tabled**

Adam stated that we have some people interested in coaching:  
Brendan Bessette, Jake Hubbard, Kyle Baker, Chris Hatin, Rick King and Ryan Maskell

Adam added that Caleb Lothian may be interested in helping with the power skating clinics. Caleb is a former MAHA player and recently graduated from St. Michael's.

Adam will book Roger Grillo and Dan Daley once we know when the ice will be ready.

Adam would also like to see an hour of ice once a week to work with the goalies.

## **New Business:**

**Jerseys:** Karen stated that she has been in contact with Kevin Smith's and the same jerseys are still in stock. The mite jerseys are the last game jersey's that need to be replaced. We have a large number of Mites for this upcoming season (possibly 35 or more). Karen suggested ordering 40 jerseys (30 youth L/XL and 10 adult small). They are \$100 per set, which would come to over \$4000 with the set-up fees. Judy stated that she would contact Boat Headquarters to see if they would like to sponsor our jersey's again. Karen added that she has been in contact with Aubochoch's and they will get back to her on how much they could sponsor the jerseys for. A motion was made by Amy Messier to order the 40 sets of jerseys. Seconded by Krystin Valenti. All in favor, motion carried.

**Field Days:** Field Days will be held on August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. Adam would like to do set up the morning of August 2<sup>nd</sup>. Marcy stated she will ask Fournier's for a trailer. Judy said she would ask Fernand for the water like last year. Karen will build the sign-up on Sign-Up Genius. It was suggested that we have a MAHA table at our tent to promote MAHA hockey and upcoming fundraisers.

**Registration:** The board discussed the changing the registration fees. Adam stated that he did not want to raise the fees and felt comfortable based on our current balance of \$8685.51 that we do not need to raise the fees. Karen stated that the ice rental fee will be raised from \$155 per hour to \$165. MAHA rented 300 hours last season which would be an increase in ice fees of \$3000. Adam said with additional fundraising we can make up the \$3000. A motion was made by Amy Messier to leave the registration fees and hours the same as the 2016-2017 season. Seconded by Angela DeSanctis. All in favor, motion carried.

**Facebook:** Marcy volunteered to create a MAHA FB page.

**Summer Dryland:** Mark and Adam will be holding the summer dryland program on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6pm-7pm starting July 11<sup>th</sup> and ending on September 14<sup>th</sup>. The facility will be charging MAHA \$40 per hour to use the building. They will offer a punch card of 10 sessions for \$25, 20 sessions for \$40 or \$5 per session. This will be for U10 (Squirts) and older.

**Fundraising:** The fundraising committee met on May 9<sup>th</sup>. The MAHA Calcutta, Lake Monsters Game, Street Hockey Tournament, Corn Hole Tournament and Cookie Dough were all discussed. It was agreed that we would not sell wreaths for the upcoming season and replace that fundraiser by cookie dough sales.

A motion was made by Angela DeSanctis to move into executive session at 8:38pm. Seconded by Dawn Lapan. Motion carried, all in favor.

A motion was made by Marcy Stefaniak to exit out of executive session at 8:51pm. Seconded by Amy Messier. Motion carried, all in favor.

The next Fundraising Committee meeting will be on Tuesday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

The next MAHA meeting will be on Thursday, July 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.

A motion to adjourn the MAHA meeting was made by Amy Messier. Seconded by Dawn Lapan. All in favor motion carried.

Minutes Submitted by,

Karen Fortin  
MAHA Secretary