

## **Michigan Amateur Hockey Association, District 8 Council**

Meeting Minutes, Spring 2019

April 13, 2019

River Rock Lanes and Banquet Center, Ishpeming, Michigan

Submitted by Walt Milligan, MAHA District 8 Secretary, October 13, 2019.

### ***Attendance:***

MAHA	Cathy Starrett, D8 Chair Scott Cambensy, D8 Director Al Wakeham, D8 Director Perry Wooden, D8 Director Walt Milligan, D8 Secretary Dan Zubiena, D8 Treasurer Tim McIntosh, D8 Registrar Eric Froberg, D8 RIC Mike Sands, D8 Coaching Director Bob Yohe, MAHA/USA Hockey Registrar
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Calumet	Dan Zubiena
Copper Country	Steve LaCourt
Dickinson	Ben Ryan
Escanaba	Kim Milligan
Iron Range	Matt Henzel
Iron River	Kaycee Johnson, Tina Brunswick
Ironwood	Jason White
Keweenaw Bay	<b><i>No Representative</i></b>
Manistique	Nick Bosanic
Marquette	Amanda Beerman
Munising	John Maki, Amy Westcomb
Ontonagon	Stacey Somero
Sled Hockey UP	<b><i>No Representative</i></b>
Tahquamenon	<b><i>No Representative</i></b>

Chair Cathy Starrett called the meeting to order at 10:05 am. Introductions were made.

**Motion (Zubiena/LaCourt): Approve minutes from the Fall 2018 meeting. Approved unanimously.**

**Motion (Zubiena/Cambensy): Approve agenda. Approved unanimously.**

Starrett presented the Chairperson's Report:

- It was an interesting year. The District did well in State Tournaments:
  - State Champs:
    - Mite ½ ice Marquette White
    - 12U B TAYHA Oswald's Bear Ranch

- 12U AA Marquette
- 14U B TAYHA/Munising French Trucking
- 14U AA Marquette
- 19U Tier 3 Girls Marquette
- State Runners-Up
  - Mite ½ ice Marquette Blue
  - 16U B Calumet/Copper Country Keweenaw GatorBar
- 14U AA Marquette team made the national semifinals in South Bend. Petoskey 19U Tier 2 girls team (with 6 girls from D8) are State Champs.
- Districts and States went well, and there were few hearings for match penalties.

Zubiena presented the Treasurer's Report. He was just added to the program and is learning the system. Switched to Huntington Bank, and we have about \$18k in the account.

**Motion (Rahilly/K. Milligan): Use MAHA grant funds to buy shooter tutor nets (~ \$499 each) for each association over a 2-year period. Approved unanimously.**

Secretary W. Milligan had no report.

Yohe presented the MAHA/USA Hockey report:

- The district is down about 200 players.
- USA Hockey is trying to reduce concussions. There are new checking regulations in Bantams, following IIHF rules.
- MAHA is re-writing the rulebook and Annual Guide.
- There will no longer be a "Tier 1" below 14U.

Sands presented the Coaching Report:

- There is a coach's intern program to go to select camps.
- Coaching clinics will start in August. There will be a Level 4 in Gaylord
- The online program is struggling with a new host.
- Changes are coming to SafeSport.
- Body Checking clinics are a hot topic.
- CEP meetings are moving towards more on-ice instruction.
- It was a fairly quiet season for match penalties.
- Coaches need to pay more attention to modules, background checks, SafeSport, etc before going on the ice.
- Sands is trying to establish better communication between himself and CEP/ACE Directors and coaches.
- Sands is Associate Risk Management Director for D6 through D8, and he can be contacted instead of Grant Helms.

Froberg presented the Referee Report”

- D8 Council needs to consider referee availability when scheduling Districts and States.
- 3 D8 officials worked a national tournament this year.
- We need more officials! We can get kids to clinics, but have trouble retaining them and following through.
- You cannot play a game unless at least 2 registered officials are on the ice. You can never use unregistered officials or those on expired credentials.
- Scoresheets need to be complete and legible.

Director at Large Peterson was not present so there was no report.

District Directors and Association Reps presented their reports. A consistent theme was a low number of players and officials. Some associations are bringing sports medicine professionals in to educate coaches about concussions.

Wakeham presented the Girls/Women’s Report. USA Hockey has a new transgender policy on their website.

McIntosh discussed the Development Program. Camp was in Marquette March 18-20 and the numbers were down significantly. It was Spring Break week which might have had some effect.

W. Milligan presented the CUP League Report. Meeting will occur directly after the meeting. Season went well.

Wooden presented the Rules Report. It is not a “rules” year. Send any proposals to Wooden by December 15. It is a voting year for Directors, and there will be information at the Fall Meeting.

Starrett reported that the STAR and SafeSport programs are in flux. Send STAR violations to Cathy.

The new SafeSport training takes several hours to complete. MAHA is considering making a paid staff position to coordinate SafeSport. Will have much more compliance requirements in the near future.

District and State playoff sites were discussed, and some decisions were made. Midgets and States were put off for a future meeting. Sites are attached. Blind draw (attached) occurred.

Credentials Day is January 5 at the Dee and Lakeview Arena.

Trophy Bids – Any expense over \$3,000 must be bid out by MAHA Policy.

The One Goal program has funding to grow the game. Submit proposals at MAHA website.

A brief discussion of co-ops occurred.

Fall Meeting will be October 19, 2019.

**Motion (Rahilly/Zubiena): Adjourn. Approved unanimously.**

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm.

**Bidding for State Tournaments, April 13, 2019**

18U tournament is in D8. Actual tourneys will be decided later.

<b>Association</b>	<b>Tournament</b>
DAHA	
Keweenaw Bay	
Ontonagon	
Manistique	
Tahquamenon	
Copper Country	
Ironwood	
Munising	
Escanaba	
Iron River	
Marquette	Will take as many as possible
Calumet	Will take 1 tournament,, B or BB
Iron Range	

**Priority List for Next Time**

<b>Association</b>	<b>Tournament</b>
DAHA	
Keweenaw Bay	
Ontonagon	
Manistique	
Tahquamenon	
Copper Country	
Ironwood	
Munising	
Escanaba	
Iron River	
Iron Range	
Calumet	
Marquette	

**Bidding for B/BB District Tournaments, April 13, 2019**

<b>Association</b>	<b>Tournament</b>
Ontonagon	
Calumet	
Tahquamenon	14U – in Munising
Iron River	12U
DAHA	
Keweenaw Bay	
Escanaba	10U
Iron Range	
Manistique	
Marquette	
Ironwood	
Munising	
Copper Country	

18U to be decided at Fall Meeting

**Priority List for Next Time**

<b>Association</b>	<b>Tournament</b>
Ontonagon	
Calumet	
DAHA	
Keweenaw Bay	
Iron Range	
Manistique	
Marquette	
Ironwood	
Munising	
Copper Country	
Escanaba	
Iron River	
Tahquamenon	

**Rotation for AA District Tournament, April 13, 2019**

<b>Association</b>	<b>Result</b>
Copper Country	Host Jan 31-Feb 2
Calumet	
Marquette	

**Priority List for Next Time**

<b>Association</b>	<b>Result</b>
Calumet	
Marquette	
Copper Country	

**Bidding for B/BB Regional Tournaments, April 13, 2019**

<b>Association</b>	<b>Tournament</b>
DAHA	
Munising	East
Escanaba	
Iron Range	
Copper Country	
Calumet	
Keweenaw Bay	
Marquette	
Ontonagon	
Tahquamenon	
Ironwood	
Manistique	
Iron River	West

**Priority List for Next Time**

<b>Association</b>	<b>Tournament</b>
DAHA	
Escanaba	
Iron Range	
Copper Country	
Calumet	
Keweenaw Bay	
Marquette	
Ontonagon	
Tahquamenon	
Ironwood	
Manistique	
Iron River	
Munising	

***Blind Draw for 2019-2020 Regional and District Seeding***

Held at MAHA District 8 Spring Meeting, April 13, 2019

Ontonagon

Tahquamenon

Iron Range

DAHA

Marquette

Manistique

Escanaba

Iron River

Copper Country

Keweenaw Bay

Munising

Calumet

Ironwood