

MISSOURI HOCKEY, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MAY 28, 2025

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Chris Durso, Scott Smith, Tom Woolf, Pat Culiberk, Larry Hellwig, Charlie Busenhart, Bob Howenstein, Mike Rynes, Shawn Deaver, Chris Peterson, Bill Baker, Julie Jordan, Tim Deimeke, Goran Petric.

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Deb Hellwig, Joe Kalin,

MINUTES

Meeting called to order by Chris Durso at 7:32 PM. There were 11 voting members present at the start of the meeting. Two additional members joined the meeting later.

1. **CEP Director.** This position is currently vacant. Chris Durso will speak to the District CEP Director at the Annual Meeting to determine viable candidates.
2. **ADM Report.** Nothing to report.
3. **Safe Sport Coordinator.** Scott Gray reported to Chris that there are no new cases to report.
4. **Player Safety Report.** Chris Durso indicated that Teresa has resigned as she does not have enough time to devote to the job. We need to look for a new person.
5. **Player Development Report.** Chris Durso reports that Missouri has 12 players who were invited to the National Camp. Seven at the 2010 birth year, two at the 2009 birth year and three at the 2008 birth year.
6. **Youth Division Report.** Bill Baker reports that their elections have been held and a couple of vacancies were filled on the Youth Board. No changes to representatives on the State Board. Scott Smith remains as President and Bill Baker is VP. The committee to coordinate the end of season schedule met and there were a couple of changes due to Nationals moving up for Easter. This puts them in a real time crunch. They will book hotel rooms through the affiliate.
7. **Mid-States High School.** Charlie Busenhart reports their Board meeting will be tomorrow. The election will take place on the third weekend of June.
8. **Mississippi Valley High School.** Mike Rynes indicated that there is nothing new to report.
9. **Referees Report.** Joe Kalin reports that starting July 1, 2025, they will schedule officials on new software. They expect that there will be issues and questions and that clubs and coaches should bear with them as they roll out the new system.
10. **Prior Minutes.** Minutes from the prior meeting were sent out to all members. Motion by Bob Howenstein to approve as written, second by Charlie Busenhart. Minutes approved as written by vote of 11-0-0.

11. **Registrar Report.** Deb Hellwig reports that we currently have 11,521 players and coaches registered to date. There are also 520 officials, which is down 5 from last year.
12. **Treasurer's Report.** Tom Woolf reports that the Affiliate and Special Activities accounts both balanced/reconciled to the 4/30/25 statements. Main account balance to date is \$314,505.01. Special Activities Account to date is \$16,523.67. The Affiliate CD balance is \$210,903.21 and the Festival CD is \$52,725.80. The bills for rent, phone and internet for April 2025 have been paid. We have the first deposit from USA Hockey in the sum of \$7,992 which was received and deposited yesterday. The notice from QB that the yearly fee was going up to \$999 starting this month which was paid a couple of weeks ago. This is the third year in a row that this amount has increased. Our block grant paperwork is due to USA Hockey in mid-June. Our fiscal year ends May 30. Tom asked for approval to engage Sivcovich CPA services to do our tax return. Notice from UE that our electric usage has gone up 16% from last year and our budget billing will increase from \$69 to \$81 per month beginning June 2025. Finally, Quick Books has increased their yearly use fees and Tom needs approval to pay the increased fee. Motion by Goren Petric to approve retaining Sivcovich to do tax returns and to pay increased Quick Books fee, second by Charlie Busenhart. Passed 12-0-0. Motion to approve Treasurers report by Pat Culiberk, second Charlie Busenhart. Approved 12-0-0.
13. **Web Site.** Tom Woolf reports that he has updated the site to include newer USA Hockey information.
14. **Rules & Disciplinary Report.** Pat Culiberk reports they are currently short a committee member. They were trying to get Tim Rumpf but he was unable to serve.
15. **Blues Symposium.** Chris Durso indicates that the symposium will happen in the Fall at either Centene or Enterprise. Attendees will get a ticket to a Blues pre-season game.
16. **Nominations for Board Offices.**

President: Chris Durso was nominated for office of President by Larry Hellwig, second by Bill Baker. There being no further nominations, motion to close nominations by Bill Baker, second by Charlie Busenhart. Nominations closed by vote of 13-0-0.

Secretary: Larry Hellwig was nominated for the office of Secretary by Bob Howenstein, second by Tim Diemeke. There being no further nominations, motion to close nominations by Bill Baker, second by Pat Culiberk. Nominations closed by vote of 13-0-0.

At Large Director. This position is currently held by Bob Howenstein who indicated that he felt that there was a candidate worthy of the seat that would bring great benefit to the mission of MHI that he had stood for during his time on the board. While he was not running for reelection, he very clearly stated that he would be available should the board look for help with any committee that was deemed necessary in the furtherance of the MHI mission. Bob then nominated Mark Pecoraro to fill the spot. Second by Charlie Busenhart. There being no further

nominations motion to close nominations by Larry Hellwig, second by Pat Culiberk.
Nominations closed by vote of 13-0-0.

17. **Next Meeting.** June 25, 2025

There being no further business to transact, motion to adjourn the meeting by Pat Culiberk,
second by Bob Howenstein.

Respectfully submitted;

Larry H. Hellwig

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