

**MINUTES**  
**OF THE**  
**MAINE PRINCIPALS' ASSOCIATION**  
**FIELD HOCKEY COMMITTEE**  
**JULY 24, 2017**

A meeting of the MPA Field Hockey Committee was held on Monday, July 24, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at the MPA office.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Steve Bell, Paula Callan, and Gordon Salls.

**LIAISON PRESENT:** Donna Jordan.

**LIAISON ABSENT:** Kim Ballantyne.

**GUEST:** Sue Weatherbie.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Michael Burnham.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** On a MOTION by Bell/Salls, the minutes of the December 1, 2016 meeting were UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file:

- The committee reviewed two cooperative team requests:
  - Stearns High School and Schenck High School (APPROVED 3-0).
  - Waynflete School and Maine Girls' Academy (APPROVED 3-0).
- An e-mail with a question about the first allowable date for the regular season.
- A series of e-mails discussing the dates and locations of the mandatory rules clinics.
- An e-mail from *USA Field Hockey* discussing the upcoming Pan American Cups Field Hockey Tournament.

**REVIEW 2017 FIELD HOCKEY BULLETIN:** The 2017 Field Hockey Bulletin was reviewed and updated.

**COACHES' REPORT:** Ms. Jordan reported the following:

- MFHCA will host their festival this weekend.
- "Senior All-State" game will be played during the festival.
- Coaches' clinics begin on July 26 and will also be offered on August 2, August 9, and on August 12 as part of the MFHCA Clinic.
- Coaches are concerned about the short season and would ask the committee to look at the possibility of extending the season by a week.

**OFFICIALS' REPORT:** Ms. Weatherbie reported on the following:

- The MFHOA Executive Committee will be meeting on July 24, 2017.
- The field hockey officials will be moving forward with fingerprinting and background checks.

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- This past year was not a good year recruiting new officials with only two new officials joining the organization.
- Reviewed the 2017 Field Hockey Rule Changes.

**OTHER:** The committee discussed the following items:

Update of Officials Database: Each board was asked to submit their list of eligible tournament officials once it has been finalized.

Acclimatization of Field Hockey Goalies: After discussion, it was determined that Ms. Callan would attend the upcoming MPA Sports Medicine Committee meeting to discuss the acclimatization of field hockey goalies in full pads.

Classification: Classification for field hockey schools was reviewed and discussed.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** The next meeting of the Field Hockey Committee was scheduled for Friday, October 13, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at the MPA office.

**ADJOURNMENT:** On a MOTION by Bell/Salls, and VOTED UNANIMOUSLY, the meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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