

**MINUTES**  
**OF THE**  
**MAINE PRINCIPALS' ASSOCIATION**  
**ICE HOCKEY COMMITTEE**

**MAY 11, 2017**

A meeting of the MPA Ice Hockey Committee was held on Thursday, May 11, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. at the MPA office.

**MEMBER PRESENT:** Susan Pilote.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Jason Fuller, Bill MacManus, Bruce Nason, and Robert Riley.

**LIAISONS PRESENT:** Ray Levesque, Dennis Martin, and Mike Pleau.

**LIAISON ABSENT:** Chris Downing,

**STAFF PRESENT:** Mike Burnham.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Tabled to next meeting.

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

- A copy of the NFHS Ice Hockey Rules Questionnaire that was given this winter.
- A copy of the proposed ice hockey rule changes.
- An e-mail with a question about a school's potential scrimmage with a team from New Hampshire.
- A series of e-mails about extending the boys' ice hockey season because of poor weather and the lack of ice time.
- A series of e-mails about the formation of a high school ice hockey league outside of the MPA.
- An e-mail discussing the ice hockey regional playoffs games scheduled at Colby College.
- An e-mail discussing a potential "Skills Competition" to be held at the Senior All-Star Games in Auburn.
- A series of e-mails discussing the use of noise makers at regular season games.
- An e-mail discussing a play that occurred during a regular season game.
- A series of e-mails with questions about ice hockey classification.
- An e-mail discussing the nomination of a Maine ice hockey coach to serve on the NFHS Ice Hockey Rules Committee.
- A summary of the ejections that occurred during the season.

**COACHES' REPORT:**

**Girls:** No report.

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**Boys:** Mr. Martin reported the following:

- No major issues were raised from the coaches.
- There was an issue with a J.V. Tournament being scheduled after the last countable date of the season.
- Felt that the officials continue to be professional in their dealings with coaches.

**OFFICIALS' REPORT:** Mr. Levesque reported the following:

- Reviewed the summary of ejections that took place last season.
- The camera angle at the Androscoggin Bank Colisee is very tight making it difficult to see the top of the crease. Requested that a new system be purchased or the camera can be adjusted.
- Would recommend using goal judges in all games regardless if there was replay available.
- Make Pleau is stepping down as the president of the Maine Ice Hockey Officials' Association and will be replaced by Mike Keaney. Mr. Keaney will now serve as the officials' liaison to the committee.
- Proposed a procedural change to when teams may enter the ice between periods.

**REVIEW 2018 ICE HOCKEY BULLETIN:** The 2018 Ice Hockey Bulletin was reviewed and updated.

**REVIEW OF SEASON:**

Girls: No major issues.

Boys: Weather impacted the end of the season but schools were able to play all scheduled games.

Play-offs: Mr. Haley reported that the play-off games in Lewiston went well and thanked the committee for their work at the games. There was a consensus that not all officials were utilizing the replay system that is in place.

**OTHER:**

Cooperative Team Policy: A copy of the revised Cooperative Team Policy that was approved at the MPA Spring Conference was reviewed.

Ice Hockey Committee Report: A copy of the Ice Hockey Committee report that was presented at the Spring Conference was reviewed.

**ELECTION OF CHAIR:** Tabled to the next meeting.

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**NEXT MEETING DATE:** The next meeting of the Ice Hockey Committee was scheduled for Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 8:30 a.m. at the MPA office.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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