

MINUTES
OF THE
MAINE PRINCIPALS' ASSOCIATION

ICE HOCKEY COMMITTEE

JANUARY 18, 2018

A meeting of the MPA Ice Hockey Committee was held on Thursday, January 18, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at the MPA office.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jason Fuller, Rob O'Leary, Bruce Nason, Susan Pilote, and Robert Riley.

LIAISONS PRESENT: Chad Foye, Ray Levesque, and Mike Keaney.

LIAISON ABSENT: Jamie Belleau. (The committee was informed that Scott Rousseau, Cheverus High School Girls Coach, will become the coaches' liaison for the girls' ice hockey.)

STAFF PRESENT: Mike Burnham.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: On a MOTION by Pilote/Fuller, the minutes of September 19, 2017 were UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

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

- An e-mail from a school self-reporting the use of a player that had not participated in the mandatory three on-ice practices before participating in a scrimmage.
- A series of e-mails discussing an incident that took place at an out-of-state holiday tournament.
- An e-mail discussing signage at tournament sites.
- An e-mail with a question about an athlete joining the hockey team at the mid-point of the season.
- An e-mail pointing out an error in the Heal Point standings.
- An e-mail with a question about a cooperative girls' team.

REVIEW 2018 GIRLS' AND BOYS' TOURNAMENT AND SITE PACKET: The 2018 site packet was reviewed and updated. On a MOTION by Pilote/Fuller (5-0), and VOTED UNANIMOUSLY, it was determined that goal judges would be used at all MPA sponsored tournament games.

COACHES' REPORT: Mr. Foye reported that he will remind coaches to sign in at the ticket window at the Colisee.

NFHS REPORT: No report.

OFFICIALS' REPORT: Mr. Keaney reported on the following:

- The list of ejections was reviewed.
- There continues to be confusion around goalie masks. Officials have found goalies using illegal masks.
- There are currently 88 active ice hockey officials in Maine an increase of four or five.

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Mr. Levesque reported the following:

- Athletic administrators are sometimes forgetting to notify him when there is a postponement or change to the schedule.

OTHER: The following items were discussed:

Length of the Boys' Season: After discussion, it was determined that due to the lack of ice time for some boys' teams that no recommendation to modify the season would be made.

Start of the Girls' Season: After discussion, it was decided that the start of the girls' season, two weeks prior to the boys, would remain the same for the 2018-19 season.

Championship Venues: The championship venues continue to be very easy to work with and supportive of Maine high school hockey.

Replay Cameras: Replay cameras will continue to be used when available. Prior to the start of the tournament there will be communication with each site to assure replay is available.

Sportsmanship Award: Those schools receiving the sportsmanship awards will be contacted and invited to the state championship game to receive their banner.

Hobey Baker Award: No information was available regarding the award.

Officials Assignor Position: Mr. Levesque has resigned his position as the assignor of officials and there have been six applicants for the position. The committee thanked Mr. Levesque for his outstanding work as the assignor, as well as his service to Maine high school hockey, and wished him well in his retirement.

NEXT MEETING DATE: The next meeting of the Ice Hockey Committee was scheduled for Friday, May 11, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at the MPA office.

ADJOURNMENT: On a MOTION by Fuller/Pilote, and VOTED UNANIMOUSLY, the meeting adjourned at 11:23 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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