

MINUTES
OF THE
MAINE PRINCIPALS' ASSOCIATION
VOLLEYBALL COMMITTEE
AUGUST 28, 2018

A meeting of the MPA Volleyball Committee was held on Tuesday, August 28, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at the MPA office.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Melanie Craig, Julie Keblinsky (GTM), Susan Robbins (GTM), and John Rogers.

MEMBER ABSENT: Jack Hardy.

LIAISONS PRESENT: Bob Wooten (Officials) and Jim Senecal (Coaches).

STAFF PRESENT: Michael Bisson.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

ELECTION OF CHAIR: On a MOTION by Craig/Rogers, Jack Hardy was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED as Chair of the Volleyball Committee.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: On a MOTION by Keblinsky/Robbins, the minutes of November 1, 2017 were UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

CORRESPONDENCE: The following correspondence was shared with the committee:

- An email from Jeff Ramich at Brunswick High School asking for clarification on his volleyball team working with the middle school following the season.
- An email from David Shapiro asking for information on new volleyball teams, as he builds the Western Maine Conference schedule for 2018.
- Email communication with Chad Jones from Wiscasset as he is trying to find an avenue for his daughter to play high school volleyball. She attends a small private school in Wiscasset and her local high school does not offer volleyball. It was explained to him what options he has.
- An application that was approved from James Coffey at Falmouth High School for Falmouth to apply up to Class A in volleyball beginning in 2018.
- The Volleyball Committee Report written by Chair, Jack Hardy that was shared with the MPA membership at the spring conference.
- An email with Jeff Keyes at Molten USA establishing the IV58L-3 Red, White, and Blue ball as the official ball of the MPA championships.
- A series of emails with Nick Bryant and Bob Wooten clarifying uniform legality for Gary Stevens at Thornton Academy before he ordered new uniforms.
- A series of emails from the Sports Medicine Committee clarifying the safety concerns of a volleyball player wearing an insulin pump while playing.
- A series of emails from Stefanie Goettsche from Molten USA making plans to attend the 2018 Maine Volleyball State Championships.
- Email communication between Bob Wooten and Kathy Caudill at NFHS regarding membership of Maine volleyball officials in NFHS.

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COACHES' REPORT: Jim Senecal reported on behalf of the volleyball coaches:

- Private School questions about where students can participate if their school does not have volleyball. Schools are encouraged to contact the MPA, if they have questions.
- The Molten ball choice is being well received by the coaches.
- Larger venue to host a "Championship Saturday" for at least Classes A and B. Coaches are concerned about neutral site issues. If there were more than one site available state-wide, sites could rotate.

OFFICIALS' REPORT: The following was presented by Bob Wooten representing MAVO:

- The officials have had a good year recruiting, but have lost a few veteran officials, so they are about where they were last year with the number of officials.
- MAVO has done more instructional training for new officials this year, as they started the process earlier. Melanie Craig thanked the official's group for their work at Deering and Falmouth play days that were used for training.

2018 BULLETIN: The bulletin was reviewed and updated for the 2018 season.

2018 TOURNAMENT:

The Tournament Assignments:

- Class A – Marshwood High School
- Class B – South Portland High School
- Class C – Ellsworth High School

CLASSIFICATION FOR 2019 AND 2020: Mike Bisson presented the enrollments from April 1, 2018 for use in the classification cycle for the 2019 and 2020 school years. The committee will make a recommendation to the classification committee at the November meeting.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting of the Volleyball Committee will be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

MEETING ADJOURNED: On a MOTION by Rogers/Craig, the meeting was UNANIMOUSLY adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Bisson
Assistant Executive Director

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