

GSL MEETING JANUARY 10, 2018

Called meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Present: Tim McMahon, Brad Dakers, Kelly Huard, Beth Gokey, Kelly Wright, and a representative from Brattleboro, Enfield, Franklin County, Holy Name, Ludlow, Keene, Nonotuck, Pioneer Valley, Springfield Capitals, and Westfield

Absent: Ryan Scott, Amherst, WTM

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- There are 4 Scholarship opportunities on the GSL website. The Wright Scholarship, The GSL Scholarship, The FMC Scholarship, and The Mass Hockey Scholarship. The deadlines are from March to April so now is the tie to get them in.

1st VP REPORT:

- Suspensions are all cleared except one that occurred this past weekend. There are 53 suspensions so far this year but coaches are doing well having players sitting out their suspensions.
- Players have to play more than 50% of the season league games to be eligible to play in the GSL playoffs. They will be tracked by Brad Dakers. So make sure the players have played the correct amount of time so there are no surprises. Some players have been added to rosters late in the season and they still need to have played in 50% of the teams games.
- State playdowns are occurring at this point and please remember no wavered players are eligible for playdown games.
- Substitution rule clarification. You can only pull a player from a lower team. A team players can only play on A teams. Squirt C teams can pull from other Squirt C teams. Mites can never be called up to Squirts. Goalies don't have a three game limitation and there are more exemptions for goalies.
- Players can only be called up 3 times and the team has to be under the rostered requirement of 9 players.
- Please remind your associations about the Code of Conduct. A note will go out from the league reminding members.

SCHEDULER'S REPORT:

- Novice Jamboree is coming up on the 21st, hosted by Nonotuck.
- Amherst, Capitals, Westfield and Ludlow need to get numbers in for novice session 3 which starts on the 28th.
- Keene will be hosting jamboree at end of season. Teams must sign-up to play in the end of season jamboree.
- Playoffs are coming up in March and ice times have been submitted. In Divisions with less than 10 teams the top 4 compete and in divisions of more than 10 the top 6 advance for playoffs. Bantam North would have first two

games during the week and championship Sunday. Bantam South may do game during week with championship game on Sunday.

TREASURER REPORT:

- Annual dues were sent out November 8th, 2017. Keene and Ludlow still owe payment for annual dues.
- As of 11/30/17 the balance of general account is \$38,801.71. The balance of the scholarship account is \$1143.45.
- As of 12/29/17 the balance of general account is \$41,053.47. The balance of the scholarship account is \$1143.50.

STATISTICIAN REPORT:

- The standings are updated as of game sheets received 1/10/18.
- The missing game sheet list has grown over the holidays. Review the list and submit missing game sheets.
- All organizations are to provide to Ryan Scott the contact information for your time keeper coordinator.

SECRETARY:

- The minutes from the November 2017 meeting were approved by acclamation.
- Sean Lavoine, Sean Munster, and Rob Pattison volunteered to review applications and award scholarships in spring.

OLD BUSINESS:

- None

NEW BUSINESS:

- There was a discussion regarding where players play. Some organizations share similar geography and may lose players. This is effecting the number of teams in the GSL. We talked about having a meeting to bring the league presidents to talk about GSL issue of how teams are structured with out of town rostered players. A discussion will need to happen before we can change the rules.
- Discussed looking at waived players rules for next season and look into changing how this happens at a later point.

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm.

Next meeting will be February 14th.