

## **GSL Board Meeting Minutes - October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm via Zoom

Present: Tim McMahon, Brad Dakers, Kelly Huard, Ryan Scott, Jodie Hollister

Amherst, Westfield, Ludlow, Yellow Jackets, Nonotuck, FCHA, Enfield

Bob Houldson

Absent: Holy Name, Pioneer Valley, Brattleboro

Vacant: Treasurer – if interested contact Tim McMahon, [gslmahockey@gmail.com](mailto:gslmahockey@gmail.com)

Meeting Agenda Topics:

### **President's Report – McMahon**

- Open Roles: Treasurer – Critical Role open. Please see if anyone is interested. The duties are significantly different than the role within the organizations. The role does not have the same volume of transactions local organizations. Please reach out to Tim for more information or with interest. Marketing & Communications Director is also an open role.
- COVID Guidelines –
  - Please go to the GSL website to review the COVID guidelines and share within your orgs.
  - Pay attention to cancellation policy in regard to COVID. There will not be a penalty and there will not be a reschedule.
  - Facemasks must be worn at rinks, on the bench and at faceoffs. Mass Hockey has disciplinary policy if masks aren't worn at faceoff.
- Open Discussions:
  - Nonotuck question – At Amelia 2 parents are allowed which is different than other rink policies. TM – Each individual rink owner is subject to their local board of health and can create their own rules based on what they feel can be followed. Governor's office states one spectator per player.
  - FCHA – It should not be open for facility to adjust. Can be 40% capacity but that won't happen at FCHA.
  - TM – Stress to your coaches to check the rules of the rink they are going to ahead of time. There are waivers and some rinks actually don't allow spectators at all.
  - Yellow Jackets asked about playing out-of-state games. TM – MA is not restricting traveling out-of-state unless there are travel restrictions to a State like RI and NJ. Since it changes often you should check the most up-to-date information. TM – Tournaments are allowed as long as travel restriction guidelines are followed. MA

is not having tournaments. The league is not prohibiting non-league games.

### **1<sup>st</sup> VP Report – Dakers**

- Suspensions must be submitted to league via online form under Forms – Game Incident Report  
<https://www.leagueathletics.com/UserForm.asp?RegID=174976&n=101170&org=gslhockey.com>
- No suspensions from last year have carried over.
- Reminder to submit game misconducts on the website within 24 hours.

### **Schedulers Report – Huard**

#### **! GREAT WORK KELLY WITH SO MANY CHALLENGES!**

- Schedule Update – Schedule released, no additional updates.
- COVID Game Cancellation Policy – Discussed the policy again. No points will be awarded to the teams but the game won't be rescheduled. Please notify the league that the game needs to be cancelled. Communication is key.
- The questions was asked: Were there any requests for no play dates? Some orgs did and some did not. Holy Name had some, PV, Nonotuck and Amherst as well. However, the schedule is finished so no play days will be accepted now.

### **Treasurer Report –**

- Operating Acct - \$18,466.53 as of 9/30/2020
- Scholarship Acct - \$1,145.08 as of 9/30/2020
- The 2020 GSL taxes are currently getting worked on.

### **Statistician Report - Scott**

- Game Sheet Reporting Process
  - Instead of emailing the game sheets there will be a google form. Fill out the information and then upload the game sheet.
  - The existing process is taking 3-4 hours every Mon and Tues.
  - Link will be on the website

### **Secretary - Hollister**

- September 2020 Minutes Approval
- Motion to accept the September 2020 minutes was approved unanimously.

### **Registrar Report – Hollister**

- Update on missing/incomplete on rosters

- Missing HOLY NAME, Ludlow links weren't working
- Still need Novice rosters for all orgs except Enfield and Westfield
- Jodie still needs to go through the rosters. Discussed that many rosters don't have a coach listed. Jodie will communicate with registrars. Coaches should have at least completed SafeSport and Modules.
- There was a discussion about the temporary coaching cards and first year coaches. They can take the seminar and get their first year CEP or they can apply for their temporary coaching card.
- Ryan Scott - Temp cards are a manual process. You can email Ryan a receipt once a coach applies and he can try and push it along.
- There was a request to post the link for the temporary coaching card application on the GSL website to make it easier.

<https://myevents.usahockey.com/2020tempcard>

- Old Business
  - None
- New Business
  - There were 9 Medical Waivers submitted.
    - 1 from PVL
    - 5 from Nonotuck, 1 missing Mass Hockey Waiver
    - 1 from Yellow Jackets
    - 2 from Ludlow, both missing Mass Hockey Waiver
  - A motion was made to approve the 6 medical waivers with Mass Hockey Approved Waiver and conditionally approve the 3 without a waiver once a waiver is approved, seconded, and unanimously approved.
  - There was a discussion on timekeeper fees and ref fees.
  - TM – See fees below. Everyone increased but Olympia and Cyr.

<b>GSL 2020-2021 Season Costs</b>				
<u>Ice Costs by Rink</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>60 Minute Game</u>	<u>80 Minute Game</u>	
Olympia #1	GSL & HN	\$170.00	\$227.00	
Olympia #2	GSL & HN	\$170.00	\$227.00	
Olympia #3	GSL & HN	\$170.00	\$227.00	
Amelia Park Rink	Westfield	\$182.50	\$243.00	<b>Increase</b>
<del>Mullins-Center</del>	<del>Amherst</del>	<del>\$160.00</del>	<del>\$210.00</del>	
<del>Orr-Rink, Amherst-College</del>	<del>Amherst</del>	<del>\$160.00</del>	<del>\$180.00</del>	
<del>Williston-Lossone-Rink</del>	<del>Nonotuck</del>	<del>\$130.00</del>	<del>\$170.00</del>	
<del>Enfield-Twin-Rinks</del>	<del>Enfield</del>	<del>\$195.00</del>	<del>\$260.00</del>	
Blunt Park Rink	Ludlow	\$150.00	\$187.50	<b>Increase</b>
Fitzpatrick Rink	PVL	\$150.00	\$187.50	<b>Increase</b>
Collins Moylan Rink	FCHA	\$150.00	\$187.50	<b>Increase</b>
Cyr Arena	Springfield	\$150.00	\$175.00	
<del>Brattleboro-Rink</del>	<del>Brattleboro</del>	<del>\$160.00</del>	<del>\$212.50</del>	
<u>Officials</u>	<u>60 Minute Game</u>	<u>80 Minute Game</u>		
Mite	\$30.00	\$35.00	* Note: \$15 per team.	<b>Increase</b>
Squirt	\$35.00	\$40.00		<b>Increase</b>
Peewee	\$38.00	\$46.00		<b>Increase</b>
Bantam	\$44.00	\$54.00		<b>Increase</b>
Midget	\$55.00	\$65.00		<b>Increase</b>
<b>*** Any single games will have a \$3.00 per official surcharge***</b>				
<u>Timekeepers</u>	<u>60 Minute Game</u>	<u>80 Minute Game</u>		
Mite	No Timekeepers for Mites			
Squirt-Midget	\$7.00	\$10.00		

- RINK PROTOCOLS – FCHA reviewed their protocols and asked if others are doing anything different. TM tried to put the information out on the website but wasn't able to access all the rinks information. There was an open discussion about experiences at each rink.
- Discussion about masks on the bench. Coaches need to be enforcing this rule.
- Discussion about Mites co-mingling on the bench.
- Discussion about Midget penalty rule. GSL game policy rule states that the player sits out the entire penalty regardless of a goal scored and can't leave the penalty box. Whereas USA hockey rule is that the player can leave the penalty box if a goal is scored. There was some confusion regarding this rule at recent game. It was discussed that we'd like to keep GSL game policy as is which differs from USA Hockey rule.
- Discussion initiated by Yellow Jackets – They have 3 Pee Wee teams and 2 goalies – You can share your 2 B goalies, preferably you would bring up a goalie from Squirts. Refer to GSL rule under #3 Rosters:  
<https://www.leagueathletics.com/Page.asp?n=41871&org=gslhockey.org>

**Meeting adjourned at 7:44pm.**

**The next board meeting will be Wednesday, November 11th**