

Metro High School Athletic Association - Meeting

Date: Wednesday February 28th, 2018

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Location: JL Ilsley

<http://mhsaa.ednet.ns.ca/>

Attendance:

Steve Wilcox	LVH	Scott Pellerine	SJA
Chris Rathwell	CHDHS	Susan Beazley	ARM
Kevin Wheatley	AUB	Adam White	MW
David Algee	JLI	Anthony Williams	PA
Jill Jeffrey	SHS	Donna Duggan	NSSAF
John Munro	CIT	Mike Smeltzer	HWHS
Steve Harris	CPA	Shane Joseph	HGS

Sends regrets:

Anton Berry	DART	Matt Bustin	HCA
Jean Francois Valade	CAR	Ben Cunningham	SOMM
Nigel Mailman	ES	Jarred Griffiths	Sacred H

1. **OPENING**

The meeting opened at 1:15 p.m.

2. **INTRODUCTIONS**

Introductions were made and the meeting was chaired by Sue Beazley.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES for January, 2018**

Moved: Steve H.

Seconded: Jill J.

Approved

4. **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Savings: \$360.37
Plan 24: \$30.40
Cheque: \$ 20 982.19

5. **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

6. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

None

7. **REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Donna Duggan gave a verbal report:

Metro Fees due from DHS and Shambala. Thanks again to everyone for all the help with Regional events. Gerat organization by all basketball coordinators and regional hosts. Grammar will host D3 boys Provincials. Metro is not hosting any wrestling. All winter sports are still on going, almost wrapping up. Badminton will be hosted at Citadel, by Jarred Griffiths from Sacred Heart. Steve Miller will be stepping down as coordinator of football if anyone is interested in taking this on please let me know. There is a new NSSAF website, make sure you are on the new one. If a coach is suspended in high school sports, they are able to coach in a Jr high league. This may be changed, currently being looked at. If a student comes back to your school, or start during the school year, they have to sit 30 calendar days before they can play.

The following are recommendations and not approved by the NSSAF Board of Govenors: Football start up will be August 23rd this year, first game will occur after 1 week of school. Hockey will start up Sept 21st and first game will be Oct 22nd. Hockey Regionals are to be done by March 9th and Provincials are March 22nd to 24th.

Discussion happened around the prep school rule. Questions were raised about who polices the transfer rules. Is it NSSAF or is it each AD on site? Who has the information on these students in a timely manner? The only league with a cut off date to join a team is boys hockey in Metro Athletics. Should all sports have this?

8. COORDINATOR'S REPORTS

Boys Hockey – HW: Mike Smeltzer/Frank Hubley

Donna talked to Frank about including all ADs on all correspondence. Mike will send out the 9-page document sent to coaches, they received this week. Frank would like to discuss the suspension rules. Current suspension rules seem very heavy (punitive) we would like discussion on changes to this.

Girls Hockey - SJA: Scott Pellerine

Congratulations to Halifax West for winning the Metro banner. Playoffs are underway. Home teams need to supply scorekeepers for their games. Top six teams have a chance to participate in Provincials in Windsor, top 4 for sure and depending on other regions it may be six teams from Metro, depending on play in games with other regions.

Day of Champions is March 7th, games starting at 12, with snow day March 8th. Three games are all at BMO.

I will update everyone as results come in. I have all star bags for four schools today. The other six schools will be presented at Day of Champions. Name published to league website.

Boys Basketball - DHS: Anton Berry

No update

Girls Basketball – SHS: Jill Jeffery/Mary Coughran

I would like to thank all the Coaches, AD's, Nick and Anton for a successful Metro High School Girls Basketball League. Nick did a wonderful job assigning refs and rescheduling games and Anton organized the Eastlink games and Championship game at SMU.

Congratulations to Citadel for winning the Capital Region Banner, Dartmouth High for winning the Metro Tier 1 Banner and Halifax West for winning the Tier 2 Metro Banner.

Provincials are set for this weekend in North Nova and I would like to wish Citadel, Dartmouth High, CPA and Halifax West best of luck representing Capital Region.

The last thing we need to celebrate is the All-Star Game. Gail has graciously volunteered to run it again this year. Thank you very much Gail!!!

The game will be March 21st 6pm at MSVU.

There will be another email asking you for names of your all stars (# from each team depends on your Metro finish and nominees for MVP and Rookie of the league)

Could Dartmouth High and Cole Harbour please confirm you have MVP and Rookie trophy from last year.

Boys B. Basketball – ES: Nigel Mailman

Update by Kevin forwarded from Nigel:

Carrying league games into February proved to make completion of league and Metros difficult. In the future I suggest we aim to have all games completed prior to January exams. This was loosely the plan, however with Auburn's late addition and a few cancelled January games, we ended up playing into February.

Tier 1 Championship- Looks like Auburn vs Citadel on Friday at 4:30 for the championship.
Tier 2 Eastern Shore beat SJA Monday evening 78-54. Unfortunately, no banner was present to award to them, which was disappointing to the team. I personally feel a Tier 2 banner amounts to a "best of the worst" award, which seems superfluous at best. The league may want to reconsider the playoff format next year to include one banner, with the top team from Tier 2 advancing to a playoff.

Girls B Basketball – Sacred Heart: Jarred Griffiths

No update

Curling -HW: Mike Smeltzer/AG McRae

PA Boys winner. Mixed SJA. Girls are still playing now. Results will be sent out soon.

Skiing - SJA: Scott Pellerine/ Derrek Nicholls

Will track down results from Derek. I will send them along when I get them.

Snowboarding - AUB/CIT: Dan Ray/Zeno MacDonald

Happening today.

Badminton (County/Regional) - LOCK: Steve Wilcox

Wed, Thursday, Friday, April 3,4,5 at Lockview. Donna will send out information to everyone this week. Registration is March 26 th. Games to 21 for everyone. All games at Lockview.

Badminton City - JLI: Dave Algee/Colleen Harris

Donna sent out information on this already.

Boys Rugby - AUB: Kevin Wheatley

Thinking of having a coaches meeting on March 20th. Provincials will be run jointly by both coordinators.

Girls Rugby - CH: Chris Rathwell

I was considering having two tiers. Is anyone against having a tier 2 for 10 aside rugby? It may allow more teams to participate or possibly allow for big programs to have two teams, one in each league.

Field Hockey - ARM: Sue Beazley

Meeting last week, we have 11 teams. Tentative schedule was sent out. Playoff will be May 9th at Citadel. All star game will happen as well that day.

Wrestling- SHS: Jill Jeffery/Mike Lidstone

No update. Didn't host anything.

Box Lacrosse - HW: Mike Smeltzer

Possibly week of April 16-21st. Would play a maximum of five games? One-week tournament. Waiting to hear from HRM to confirm the dates.

Table Tennis - AUB: Kevin Wheatley/Erica Ans

Regional tournament dates were sent out by Erica.

9. New Business

Dave brought up that two division 2 schools may join the boy's hockey league next year as one team. This is in the handbook and if a school is in division two or three, they can combine with another school. There are some rules in place where a certain number of players need to come from each school.

Sue needs to know about any banners that need to be ordered.

Remaining meeting dates are: Thursday March 29th, Friday April 30th.

1PM start, next meeting is at Halifax West.

Adjournment:

Meeting Adjourned at 2: 58pm

Moved:. Mike S.

Seconded: Shane J.

Next meeting will be, Thursday March 29th 1pm at Halifax West.

If you have anything you wish to add to the agenda, please contact Sue Beazley or Scott Pellerine one week prior to the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Pellerine

Secretary