

# The Metro High School Athletic Association

Date: Tuesday November 28th, 2017.

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Location: Halifax West

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

## Attendance:

Jarred Griffiths	FOUT	Scott Pellerine	SJA
Chris Rathwell	CHDHS	Susan Beazley	ARM
Ryan Sadler	AUB	Shane Joseph	HGS
David Algee	JLI	Anthony Williams	PA
Jill Jeffrey	SHS	Donna Duggan	NSSAF
John Munro	CIT	Mike Smeltzer	HWHS
Steve Harris	CPA	Ben Cunningham	SOMM

## Sends regrets:

Anton Berry	DART	Matt Bustin	HCA
Nigel Mailman	ES	Steve Wilcox	LVH
Jean Francois Valade	CARR	Adam White	MW

### 1. **OPENING**

The meeting opened at 1: 09 p.m.

### 2. **INTRODUCTIONS**

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

### 3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES for October, 2017**

Moved: Shane J

Seconded: Jarred G.

Approved

4. **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Savings \$360.37  
Plan 24 \$30.40  
Cheque \$21002.17

5. **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

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

Boys soccer will remain the same in terms of divisions. We will add Grammar and Sommet possibly to tier 2.

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

Fees are still owed by some schools Donna let them know who. Thank you to a all schools who organized volleyball leagues and regionals and CPA for hosting Provincials this year. Jarred G at SH will host provincial badminton this year. We are still looking for some hosts for basketball regionals and provincials. Make sure you look online for rulings when wondering about a sport. Online is up to date, look under new regulations. Good luck to everyone heading to Provincials this weekend.

8. **COORDINATOR'S REPORTS**

**Boys Hockey – HW:** Mike Smeltzer/Frank Hubley

I (Frank Hubley) am concerned with NSSAF code of discipline. It seems to target hockey more than other sports. Jill commented on a suspension last week which was indefinite. SHS had a concern that there is no real process for an indefinite suspension. Every major penalty now goes to NSSAF, how do we know what to appeal if we are not aware of the suspension. Steve W. was wondering who administered the suspension? It was NSSAF who suspended this student. We are not really clear of the process with the NSSAF. Donna will bring this up at the meeting in December.

**Girls Hockey - SJA:** Scott Pellerine

All is going well, please check in with your coaches to make sure they are updating their games on Goalline within the week that they have been played. Home teams should be

updating the games and some have been a little late. We are still in need of league fees from SHS, DHS, and Citadel.

The regional tournament is not finalized yet, but we have dates for a one day regional playoff at BMO in Bedford on Wednesday March 7th, snow day Thursday March 8th. Six teams will be involved in that day. The playoff format leading up to that will be done on teams ice times for prior season play. It may be a 10 team playoff, teams one and two from regular season would have a bye in round one. Teams may have to play on other teams ice for a day or two. Please look over the handout I gave to everyone and have a discussion with your coach about it before Friday this week. Let me know of issues you may have by Friday please. I plan to send it out to be scheduled and have officials booked by second week of December if possible.

**Girls Volleyball – SHS:** Jill Jeffery

Citadel won league and Capital region. DHS won tier 2 banner. Citadel will host the all star game on December 5th. We are concerned about faculties not being available, especially at playoff time. Moving forward can the dates for regionals and Provincials be booked in the previous year by NSSAF with HRM to block out schools so we can have the dates we need?

John discussed the expense of going to regionals for a weekend game. It adds up to \$1000's, and we are wondering why it is set up like this.

**Boys Volleyball – DHS:** Anton Berry/Peter Haley

All star game is at Auburn on Dec 8th at 6pm.

**Girls B Volleyball – ARM:** Sue Beazley

All is going well.

**Boys Basketball - DHS:** Anton Berry

Good job by teams reporting scores. Regionals are February 18th.

**Girls Basketball - SHS:** Jill Jeffery/Mary Coughran

All going well, make sure scores are being put in. Can we get \$80 to pay for the website being used last year?

**Boys B Basketball - ES:** Nigel Mailman

All going well. Two banners will be given out tier one and tier two.

**Girls B Basketball - SH:** Jarred Griffiths

All going well.

**Wrestling Metro - SHS:** Jill Jeffery/Mike Lidstone

Feb 23 and 24 regionals.

**Curling - SJA:** Greg Doyle/ Scott Pellerine

As of right now, I have booked 6 weeks at Lakeshore CC in Sackville and CFB Halifax CC. The tentative start date would be Tuesday, January 8 from 3-5PM with games running at both clubs until Tuesday, February 12. Depending upon how much more interest I get, I may have to add another week into the mix.

**Skiing - SJA:** Derek Nichols/ Scott

Dates:

Race 1:	Monday, Feb 5th	@ Wentworth
Race 2:	Monday, Feb 12th	@ Wentworth
Race 3:	Monday, Feb 26rd	@ Wentworth

Metro and Capital Region Banners will be given out after the 3 races have concluded.

**Provincials Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup>@ Wentworth**

**Day Format: All Races**

Halifax region starts btw 11:30-12:30 pm sharp, in a two run format.  
The Northern Region will be racing before us each day so times could vary...

We should have the course ready for inspection by 12 – 1 pm, so I would like to see the racers gearing up and heading up the mountain to inspect for 12:00 after they have pick up their bib at the bottom of the hill from their coach.

**Ski provincials are set for March 7th at Wentworth  
Start time 8:30am. More info to follow...**

## 9. New Business

**Remaining meeting dates are: Wednesday Jan 31st, Wednesday Feb 28th, Thursday March 29th, Friday April 27th.**

1PM start, all at Halifax West.

**Anthony Williams:** With the "new normal" and having less staff members helping out with our teams I'm having some difficulty with students paying their team fees. I know that this has always been an issue but I was wondering if the AD's could talk about what works for their schools. For example, is there a template for a letter home to parents/guardians that could be circulated?

Not sure if this is an item but it is a reality at my school and I was wondering what others are doing?

**Sue Beazley:** Discussion on spectator/player behaviour at basketball games toward officials and opposing players. Sue will be looking into getting a letter together to send out to coaches and refs for our leagues.

Motion was put forward by Dave Algee that the 48 hours required for an appeal will only be counted on school days. Seconded by Mike Smeltzer. We will have to vote on this next meeting.

**Mike Smeltzer:**

Discussed the academic and attendance policy. Just wondering if other schools are doing the same thing they are at Halifax West? I have been told other schools are not doing this. Most all other schools reported they are doing this already.

**Jill Jeffery:**

Discussed the process of appeals. Remember that coaches are not able to send an appeal. It has to come through the principal.

**Shane J:**

Brought up the slow process now in getting information back on sanction forms that have been sent in to NSSAF, and we have not heard back. Wondering why things are slower this year?

**Adjournment:**

Meeting Adjourned at 2:41pm.

Moved: Anthony W.

Seconded: Mike S.

**Next meeting** will be **Wednesday Jan 31st, 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