

The Metro High School Athletic Association

Date: Thursday October 27th, 2022

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Location: Dartmouth High School

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

Attendance:

Peter Moores	SH	Scott Pellerine	BVHS
Sean Kent	ES	Susan Beazley	ARM
Steve Harris	CPA	Natalie Pelley	DHS
David Algee	JLI	David Albert	SOMM
Mary Coughran	SHS	Donna Duggan	NSSAF
Ami Nixon	CIT	Jerome Sparks	CHHS
Angela Dale	MW	Ben Cunningham	ESM
Dan Fraser	IV	Mike Smeltzer	HWHS
Matt Bartley	HGS		

Sends regrets:

Jean Francois Valade	CARR	Jen Durette	SHAM
Steve Wilcox	LVH	Carmen Bendevis	HCA
Anthony Williams	PA	Ryan Sadler	AUB

1. **OPENING**

The meeting opened at 1:44 p.m.

2. **INTRODUCTIONS**

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

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved: Mike S.

Seconded: Mary C.

4. **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Cheq: \$13197.61

Sav: \$9360.37

Plan 24: \$30.40

\$50 Fees from many schools are still owing. Can you make sure you get those in?

5. **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

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

Donna mentioned that from our last meeting when sub days were discussed, that decision about using substitutes is a school decision: it is the Principal's decision.

7. **REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Donna Duggan gave a verbal report, Thanks to Matt and Darrell for golf, Ed Longaphy and Ryan Sadler for baseball, and Heather Doucette from Lockview who ran Provincials. Thanks again to Steve and Colleen Harris, for all levels of Cross Country this year. Thanks to all of the people at many different schools who are helping out with soccer this year at all levels. Donna went through the list of Provincials that we are hosting again. For baseball, rather than play one league I think we will have two divisions next year for D1 and D2 teams. This will ensure more meaningful games. Thanks to all that have helped out with everything so far this year.

8. **COORDINATOR'S REPORTS**

Boys Hockey – AUB: Ryan Sadler/ Tim Coombs

Absent

Girls Hockey - SJA: Scott Pellerine

All going well so far, up and running. Please make sure your coaches are inputting the game results on the day of the game on our website. League fee invoices have been sent out. Please send those to BVHS as soon as possible.

Boys Division One Soccer – AUB: Ryan Sadler/ John Zorchyta

Absent

Girls Division One Soccer – HW: Mike Smeltzer/ Roy Snook

Concerns were brought up by a few AD's about the late forfeit especially for the 4pm game. It needs to be communicated to all coaches involved, and not assume the AD's can get the message out with a late notice at 2:30 for a 4:00 game. Both coaches and AD's need to be included in all decisions, as our usual practice.

Also a concern was brought up by Steve at CPA about a 6pm game at the CPA turf, they can not get onto the field for a warm up at 5:30 when the football team has the field until 6. This needs to be communicated with teams coming to the Bedford turf.

Concerns were brought up about schedule and standings not being updated and communicated. As well as the amount of games and the tight schedule. We think it needs to be started later, and a little more time left for the regional playdowns. The season is too tightly packed it seems, and when teams get to Regional Playoffs there are teams playing four or more games in that many days. This is not safe for the athletes, and puts a lot of pressure on volunteers and athletes schedules outside of soccer.

Boys/Girls B Soccer – Armbrae: Sue Beazley

Going well. Invoices will be out soon.

Girls Volleyball – SHS: Mary Coughran

An email was sent out today with updates. Payoffs will start on the 14th.

Boys Volleyball – DHS: Natalie Pelley/Peter Haley

Peter will host the regional event. Natalie will send information out.

Girls B Volleyball – Sue Beazley

Going well, JV are all organized for the playoffs.

Golf – HG: Matt Bartley/ Darrell MacInns

Thanks to everyone with their cooperation, the weather was not good. I think for next year it will be for “established” golfers. For score cards we will ask that they go to all coaches.

Baseball – AUB Ryan Sadler/ Ed Longaphy

Absent

Cross Country Metro and Regional and Provincials – CPA: Steve Harris/ Colleen Harris

Very high participation, 700 to 800 students. Please let coaches who are new to the sport know who things need to be done in terms of getting registrations in, timelines are very important. All good other than that.

Boys A - Basketball - CPA: Steve Harris

Schedule is out now. Games are being set up with officials. Make sure to include everyone involved in any games that will be rescheduled.

Girls A - Basketball - CPA: Colleen Harris

Same as boys' basketball. It is very hard to tier the D1 schools. Very hard to determine it from year to year. We are just one tier now.

Angela D. said her coach has a problem with using 3 officials for all games. Is it possible that we not have 3 officials for a tournament? Steve mentioned that it is a top down decision and that it is determined by BNS and SSNS for D1 basketball games.

Boys B - Basketball - CPA: Steve Harris

It is important to have someone at the league meetings, because the schedule is created on that night. Thanks to all schools for showing up. Looks like a 10 game season which is very good for these leagues.

Girls B - Basketball - SH: Peter Moores

The coaches meeting is tonight at 7:00pm at Sacred Heart. Please ensure a rep from your school is present, so we can set the schedule, send it back to you for confirmation, and then get it to the assignors as soon as possible.

9. New Business

A) Angela Dale : Discussion - Football and how it is being run.

As we know football is a Provincial league. SSNS only recognizes 2 divisions, and the football league puts in a 3rd division which they pay for the banner. This year they decided to just put it to the top 12 who were broken down into 3 divisions. Millwood was not included in the top 12 because they did not have enough points. No division 3 teams were included in the playoffs. Why was this decided?

Steve Gallant is willing to work with AD's to form a proposal for the fall workshop. He is hoping it would be said there are just 2 divisions. Angela said she will work on a proposal.

B) Scott Pellerine -

1) Boys and girls soccer - Is there a way to have a shared schedule that is updated centrally, like a google sheet or website?

2) Concerns brought forward from our coach about the amount of soccer being played in such a short time frame, this time of year (Regional playoffs). Do other teams feel the same? Is there a way to shorten the season and leave a little more time for this playoff structure?

Dave A. is wondering about our best practices for getting CRC and CAR. Does anyone remember that there are any sports that are not able to use Appendix A? Most in attendance thought that form could be used for all sports.

Adjournment:

Meeting Adjourned at 3: 15pm

Moved: Natalie P.

Seconded: Ami N.

Next meeting will be December 2nd at Sommet at 1:30.

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