

The Metro High School Athletic Association

Date: Monday, April 23rd, 2007.

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Halifax West High School

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

Attendance:

Sue McMaster HFW	SJA	Donna Duggan	
Darrell Dempster	NSSAF/CH	Paula Syms	Lockview
Tim McGarrigle	Grammar	Frank Hubley	HW
Steve Brine	Eastern Shore	Kevin Julien	JLI
Ryan Connors St. Pat's	QEH	Trevor Doyle	
Bruce Chanter	Lockview	Colin Bush	Auburn
John MacDonald Heart	Prince Andrew	Annette Sherlock	Sacred
Sue Beazley Sackville	Armbrae	Mary Coughran	
Sue McMaster	Sir John A		

Regrets:

Ray Robertson CPA

Absent:

Kevin Epp Dartmouth High Kyle Burchell Millwood

1. OPENING

The meeting opened at 7:15 p.m. and was chaired by Trevor Doyle.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Monday, March 26th, 2007.

Moved: Bruce Chanter

Seconded: Ryan Connors

3. FINANCIAL REPORT

- a. The treasurer, Donna Duggan, reported the following financial information:

Shares \$360.37

Plan 24	\$20.15
Checking	\$3689.95
Equity	\$10.00

4. CORRESPONDENCE

The issue at Auburn has not yet been resolved. A ruling needs to be made as soon as possible.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

a. Provincial Football Bills

Detailed bills need to be sent to all schools. Paula Syms will be in contact with HRM (Jim Naugler) to discuss the circumstance with the lack of detail on the bills and the procedures schools need to follow for payment.

6. REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Darrell Dempster gave a verbal report.

Minutes were circulated via e-mail (not yet approved).

If you have any questions, please forward them to Darrell.

Fair Play Award recommendations are due May 4th.

7. COORDINATOR'S REPORTS

a. Boys' Basketball (A): Prince Andrew: John MacDonald/Brad Martin

Brad Martin submitted a written report.

Concerns of the hosting format were discussed.

There was a discussion of having FIBA rules clinic in the Fall.

Proposals:

The coaches of Metro Div. 1 Basketball would like to see the following change to the Div. 1 Basketball Provincial.

1. The Host Team must play their way into the Championship. If they do not qualify then they don't play in the tournament but remain as the Host.

Rational.

1. All the benefits of hosting can still be realized without the host team actually playing in the tournament.
2. A host team playing without being good enough to qualify, skews the tournament in favor of the Number 1 seed who get an unreasonably easy game in the first round. In 2 of the past 3 years, the hosts have been very badly beaten.
3. With the strength of Division I Basketball it does not make sense to have a team in the tournament who are not good enough to qualify, when there are so many more competitive teams forced to miss the tournament. For whatever the reason, the host selection committee is 0-3 in picking a host that actually qualified for the tournament.

b. Boys' Basketball (B): Prince Andrew: John MacDonald/Brad Martin
Brad Martin gave a verbal report.
We will need a new coordinator for next year.

c. Boy's Hockey: Cole Harbour: Darrell Dempster/Reg Bezanson
Darrell Dempster submitted a written report on behalf of Reg Bezanson.
Please read the "Issues" stated in this report.
Verbal abuse of coaches at referees should not be happening. The coordinator can enforce stiffer rules.
Motion:

A coordinator of any sport, who gives a suspension to a coach, needs to inform the Athletic Director and the Principal of the school involved.

Moved: Kevin Julien
Seconded: Tim McGarrigle

d. Girls' Hockey: Auburn: Colin Bush/Paul Bates
Colin Bush submitted a written report on behalf of Paul Bates.
CH, ES, JLI, Mill, West, SJA and CPA need to pay the \$30.00 honorarium to Auburn Girls Hockey for the assignor.

e. Snow Boarding: Colin Bush/Dan Ray

Colin Bush gave a verbal report.
There will be the addition of the Junior High Schools next year.

f. Field Hockey: SJA: Sue McMaster

Sue McMaster gave a verbal report.
Schools need to submit their final scores. Statistics for the league are delayed as a result.
For next year, schools who do not submit scores will receive a forfeit for that game. There will be 48 hour deadline.

g. Badminton (City): HFW: Donna Duggan

Donna Duggan submitted a final report.

h. Badminton (County): Lockview: Paula Syms

Paula Syms gave a verbal report.

i. Girls Rugby: Sir John A: Lindsay Willow

Sue McMaster gave a verbal report.
An e-mail has been sent to all schools involved.

j. Boys Rugby: QEH: Ryan Connors

Ryan Connors gave a verbal report.
There will be a league fees installment due as a result of schools dropping out of the league. More information will be sent to all schools involved.

**k. Track & Field City: Halifax West/Dartmouth:
Donna Duggan/Paul Malick**

Donna Duggan gave a verbal report.

City	May 16 th & 17 th
Rain Date	May 18 th
Regional	May 23 rd & 24 th
Rain Date	May 25 th

Provincial June 1st & 2nd

Information is posted on the website.

l. Track & Field County: CP Allen: Dave Hubley

Donna Duggan gave a verbal report.

County	May 14 th & 15 th
Rain Date	May 18 th
Regional	May 23 rd & 24 th
Rain Date	May 25 th
Provincial	June 1 st & 2 nd

Information is posted on the website.

m. Table Tennis: Sackville: Mary Coughran

Mary Coughran submitted a written report.

n. Cheerleading: Prince Andrew: John MacDonald

John MacDonald gave a verbal report.

o. Softball: Millwood: Kyle Burchell

An e-mail was sent to all schools.

Tournament dates are May 18th and May 22nd with a rain date of May 25th.

p. Fast Pitch (Boys & Girls): Eastern Shore: Danny Julien

Steve Brine submitted a written report.

All schools involved MUST contact Danny Julien by April 27th.

So far for boys fast pitch there is only Eastern Shore.

q. Lacrosse: Dartmouth: Gord Puddifant

This event will happen at the end of May.

There is difficulty with rink scheduling
Information will be sent to schools.

8. NEW BUSINESS

a. Football Jamboree

Discussion occurred.

Concerns were raised as to whether or not this event should occur as it does not follow Metro/NSSAF rules. If play dates/start up dates are enforced, this does not apply to the Football Jamboree. This becomes a safety concern.

This will be taken to the Annual General Meeting.

A letter will be written.

b. Start-Up Dates

Instead of stating the week of when a sport can start, stating a definite date would be better. (i.e. The third week of September....change to September 15th.)

Meeting Adjourned at 8:45pm

Moved: Sue Beazley

Seconded: Paula Syms

Next meeting will be June!

Location: 312 Brookside Road

The date and time will be e-mailed to all schools.

Meeting Dates: September

If you have something you wish to add to the agenda, please contact Donna Duggan (457-8900/5601264) one week prior to the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Duggan

Secretary/Treasurer