

MINNESOTA HOCKEY OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION
SPRING MEETING

April 28, 1990 @ Brooklyn Park, MN

President Leslie called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

Meeting Roll Call.

Present:

MHOA President ... Bill Leslie
MHOA South V.P. .. Dave Knutson
USA Hockey Dick Haney
District TC Tom Barrett
District #2 Dean Nybakke
District #3 Ted Olson
District #5 "Skip" Trumble
District #6 Brad Trumble
District #8 Paul Moen
District #10 Charlie McCormic (for Phil Pascuzzi)
District #13 Mike Riley
District #14 Kris Walters

Absent:

MHOA North V.P. .. "Butch" Glesner
District #4 Scott Parker
District #11 "Butch" Glesner
District #15 Matt Brenk
District #16 "Buzz" Olson

President Leslie called for a motion to approve the minutes of the 1989 Fall Meeting, which had been mailed to all MHOA Board Members and Supervisors.

Brad Trumble moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Tom Barrett and passed unanimously.

President Leslie announced that Phil Pascuzzi was stepping down as District #10 Supervisor and had also resigned his position of MHOA Treasurer. President Leslie will assume the treasurers job until the next election.

The Financial Report was distributed, with a reported balance of \$1,105.12 as of April 14, 1990.

Discussion of disbursements for AHAUS Officials Seminars. Need better accounting of what was actually spent for seminars. Dick Haney said that some additional money should be coming from AHAUS and also from MHOA dues.

Ted Olson moved to accept the Financial Report. The motion was seconded by Dave Knutson and passed unanimously.

President's Report:

MAHA is considering the need for a full time Executive Director.

There is a committee in place to recommend the type of play-off format to use. It appears that a single elimination, championship bracket and consolation bracket format, will be recommended for all MAHA Tournaments.

MAHA will do some "housekeeping" to the current MAHA Rules and would then only accept rule changes every other year to coincide with AHAUS.

Bill also stated that we need better cooperation from the supervisors for planning the 1990 seminars. There is a need for more trainers, so promote good candidates to attend the AHAUS Instructor Camps.

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North V.P.'s Report: ("Butch" Glesner, unable to attend this meeting, submitted a written report.)

The North Supervisors met on April 14, 1990, to discuss Education and Training.

The North Districts will use local trainers as much as possible to cut down on costs and travel.

Basic Seminar: Spend less time in the classroom and more time on the ice to help newer officials work on their mechanics so they are more comfortable on the ice.

Intermediate Seminar: Introduce newer, more in depth information (ie, calling of penalties) to regain the attention of the experienced official.

The key is to make sure that people attend the correct seminar.

3-Man System: Smaller communities cannot put three officials on the ice because of lack of numbers and money concerns. Also, a lot of officials don't want to learn the system because High Schools and Division 3 NCAA don't use it.

Development Camps: We need to find a way to identify our best officials and ask them to attend camps. We could explore the possibility of having a tryout in conjunction with one of the all-star series at the end of the season.

Instructors Seminar: We have had a poor turn out from the North. We need to recruit people that we can trust to be an instructor.

Compensation: As a State organization we should compensate our members who attend the development camps and instructors seminars. It may make it easier to get members to attend these programs.

Summer Officials Camps: There has been talk of an officials camp being held in conjunction with the Bemidji and Roseau Summer Hockey Camps. This is a great idea and needs to be explored.

South V.P.'s Report:

The South Supervisors met on April 14, 1990, to discuss Finance and Rules.

Finance: MHOA has been operating without a budget because of the difficulty in knowing what funds may be available to us in addition to the membership dues. Can we appeal to AHAUS for a better accounting of potential funds that may be used for seminar expenses? Can we present our case to MAHA again for a yearly stipend to be used for training, etc., and advancing hockey officials in Minnesota?

Rules: We came up with the following changes that we would like to see in the next rule book.

NO 1. Major Penalty + Game Misconduct (change Game Misconduct to a Game Disqualification). Player would not miss an additional game.

NO 2. Mouthguard rule should apply to all players, not just PeeWees and above.

yes 3. Checking - player would not be eligible to be body checked after giving up possession of the puck.

MHOA should consider these rule changes and endorse them at the fall meeting.

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Dean Nybakke brought up the subject of officiating systems and in the interest of being consistent from District to District, asked what system(s) should be used.

Dick Haney stated that USA Hockey teaches the 3-Man system (1 referee, and 2 linesmen) and that even though the 2 referee, 1 linesman system was approved last year, there are no plans to teach this system in any development camps.

Ted Olson made a motion that MHOA should endorse the USA Hockey approved 2-Man or 3-Man system (1 referee, 2 linesmen) and use only these systems in MAHA games. Motion was seconded by Dean Nybakke, and passed unanimously.

USA Hockey Report:

Dick distributed the USA Hockey Playing Rules Handbook. This is the handbook of situations and interpretations covering the 1989/90 and 1990/91 hockey seasons.

Dick reported that there are 1,323 officials registered in the Minnesota District.

The National Bantam A Tournament was held in East Grand Forks and was a huge success. The officiating was excellent (as indicated to Dick by many team coaches and managers) and the games were well played.

Brad Trumble will have another revision of the MHOA Officials Report ready for the 1990/91 season. They will be available at the fall meeting.

There being no further business, Ted Olson, seconded by "Skip" Trumble, moved to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 4:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dean R. Nybakke
Dean Nybakke, MHOA Secretary