

MIAA Ice Hockey Committee
Meeting Minutes – Jan. 30, 2024

1. Minutes of the Sept. 15, 2023, meeting, moved and approved (J. Rudzinsky, J. Brown) 16-0-0
2. An update of the upcoming 2024 Tournament was given. Topic:
 - Round of 8, Semi-Finals and Finals will be managed by tournament and his team.
 - 24 sheets of ice, elite 8
 - TD Scott Paine discussed the schedule planned for each round.
 - Sites for all three MIAA rounds were discussed and introduced.
 - Committee member(s) asked about running time; it was confirmed to be in effect for regular season and tournament.
 - Attention to uniforms, TD will decide.
 - Assignors will be informed of officials, per round; remind assignors of local responsibilities and best practices.
3. Throat/Neck Protectors - Discussion
 - a. Richard Pearson introduced the recent action of UA Hockey, effective Aug. 1, “Commercially designed and manufactured...”
 - b. D. Shine and B. Ware adding additional thoughts and information.
 - c. S. Palladino mentioned his experiences with USA hockey and his observations as an official
5. 17-Minute Periods/Officials Pay
 - Discussion about official’s fees; no action
 - J. Brown, D. Shine, S. Palladino offer thoughts and perspectives.
6. Gamesheet (digital program) - Discussion
 - GS – iPad solutions/ideas
 - Dan Brothers, a great tool; online offline; does many things.
 - Pilot at State finals?
 - S. Palladino observed that every rink that he is in; they have it.
 - Possible Pilot as early as the round of 8
 - Move ahead to spring agenda item.
7. Girls Ice Hockey
 - Richard Pearson announced Allisyn Furano-Foster as Girls Ice Hockey - COY
8. Coaches Topics
 - P. Spear, 1A interest from Coaches, hoping can still be brought back; mentions PR that are out today; subcommittee yet to meet, planning for Tuesday, Feb. 6
 - J. Brown talked to Executive Director to look at data and move ahead at the IH committee level.

- P. Spear will be doing a survey of neck guards; will have it in May.

9. Other

- Discussion of running time at next meeting
- (B Ware, D Shine) motion to hold off until running time discussion until next meeting 14-0-0.
- How do amendments to rule changes come forward?
- Rule 72.1.0 discussion

Adjourn (J. Rudzinsky, P. Spear) 12-0-0

Next Meeting: May 7, 2024 @ 10:00 am; In-Person