

MACHA 2022 Annual Meeting. 03/05/2022

Meeting was called to order at 10 am via Zoom.

Roll call:

Gold: Only Illinois was not in attendance.

Silver:

Bronze:

2021 Minutes were approved.

Bryan Chamberlain gave the Board of Director's report:

Adding teams has increased the strength of the entire conference.

It has put us in a strong financial place.

There are still some outstanding invoices to pay but we should end with around \$26,000. The goal every year is to keep a cushion of \$10,000.

Based off of the numbers the following was recommended:

MACHA will cover the costs of three members to attend the annual ACHA Conference in April.

A budget for the MACHA All-Stars will be continued.

League fees will be reduced to \$300 per team. *This may be reconsidered if teams from the West decide to leave the conference.

Division Reviews:

Gold: Challenges faced during the year involving COVID were worked through. In the end, Gold was very competitive. The final teams to make the playoffs were not decided until the final week. Iowa State went undefeated and won the Championship over Bradley. #2 Iowa State earned a direct spot in Nationals. #8 Bradley and #13 Illinois State earned spots at Regionals. Maryville and Iowa both ended up in the top 20.

Silver: Season went well. Arkansas defeated Missouri State in the Championship.

Bronze: Bronze also went well. Illinois State defeated Bradley in OT in the Championship.

Next Seasons Bronze teams will be Marquette, Bradley, Olivette, Aurora & Wheaton.

There were no major disciplinary issues do deal with over the year.

The overall sentiment was the tournament was extremely well run and organized. It is likely that Maryville will continue to host going forward.

There was a long discussion on the potential to add a second guaranteed game for teams traveling from further distances. It was raised that the second game could be helpful in National rankings. There were

good and valid points from all sides. John Hogan, from Maryville will be looking into the possibility of making that happen. A committee will be formed to discuss the idea further by Cody Blevins.

Steve Casson discussed the upcoming rollout of the new MACHA website which has been built by HockeyTech. Steve is looking to move over historical data and has asked all for news content.

A very short discussion of referee systems was discussed. Should a parent of a home team be allowed to ref a game. Conclusion was with as limited as some areas are with officials it would not be a good idea to limit even more.

OT rules: 4 on 4 for 5 minutes. SO's for the MACHA points but ACHA considers games a tie.

All conference awards: Coaches will nominate their own players. Opposing Coaches will vote based on recommendations.

Two Board positions were up for renewal:

Larry Taylor & Michael Hernbrott

Larry Taylor informed everyone he was going to step down.

Michael Hernbrott & Chase Pruitt were voted in to fill the spots.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:52 am.