

NORTHERN INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE  
SPRING MEETING MINUTES  
SATURDAY, April 25, 2009 @ MARQUETTE, MI.  
11:30 AM at Ramada Inn  
412 West Washington, Marquette 906-228-6000

Associations Present: Keweenaw, Marquette, Soo Minor (ONT) Soo Major (ONT)  
Associations Absent: Escanaba, Sault( MI), Traverse City, Alpena,

OLD BUSINESS

1. Approved minutes of 08/23/08 & Financial of 04/17/09 (Unan)
2. Reviewed results of 2008-2009 Season. No Forfeits or major schedule issues.
  - a. Allow weakest AA teams play in A divisions next season.
3. Election of Officers: MTD Commissioner, Bill Sproule VC, Dave Yeo Treasurer
4. Banners: Shipped 04/27/09 (TC & Alp) and hand delivered 04/25/09 (Soo, Ont).
5. Passport requirements reviewed. See [www.knowyourborder.gov](http://www.knowyourborder.gov) for more information.
6. All NIHL teams shall have NIHL logo patches on game jerseys. All T City teams did not have patches. Patches (277 on hand) will be available via online order and at the August, 2009 Scheduling meeting.
7. Mike Drewyor to check on cost of more NIHL pins (used in past). Still have 32 “color logo” style and 22 “brass” style on hand. Delete 4<sup>th</sup> place tourney participation medals.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Proposed Team Lineup for 2009 – 2010: see draft matrix on web site.
  - a. Associations: Any Team changes?? Green Bay Area Associations Inquiries; Mike Drewyor to follow up and check out. Bill Sproule to check re Girls Division in NIHL for next season.
  - b. Budget and fees for next season same as this seasons. Approved Unan. Canada Fees may be adjusted in August, 2009 based on \$\$ value (US to Canada).
2. AA Playoff Tourney: Set for 02/19 to 02/21/ 2010 in Soo, Michigan at Big Bear
3. A Playoff Tourney: Set for 02/19 – 02/21/10 in Soo, MI at Big Bear Arena. We will need 4 extra game slots on Saturday if PW A Division goes.
4. Investigate alternate locations if Big Bear closes. Soo, Ont to check and MTD to check Mac City & ST Ignace, MI. Currently need: 8g/16g/8g (Fr/Sa/Su). Add 2g/4g/2g for PW A if we have a PW A division.
5. Changes to Operating Policy: Playoff Shootout: All Skaters, except Goalies.
6. Summer Scheduling Meeting: Saturday, August 29, 2008 @ 11:30am in MQT
7. NO SCHEDULING PRIOR TO START OF SCHEDULING SESSION, PLEASE!  
LEAVE OPEN DATES FOR NIHL GAMES
8. Team Reps shall sign and date their schedule before turning in to Statistician prior to leaving the Scheduling Meeting
9. www.nihl.net NIHL web page is up and operating, but always looking for ideas.
  - a. Provide Tournament Schedule Board link on web.
  - b. Provide Schedules on web page.
10. Adjourn at 12:55 PM.

Recorded by Mike Drewyor, NIHL Commissioner