

MAC MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES: December 14, 2017 @ WB @ 9AM.

PRESENT: Avon, BC, BH, BA, BP, Dim, Holb, OC, NA, SH, SER, SS, TC, UC, WB, WP, CCT, Monomoy, Nant, Kathy

ABSENT: Ron and Gail

1. The **meeting** was called to order by Mike at 10:11am. (weather issues)
2. The **Secretary's Report** was presented by Kathy. Kathy noted the minutes from the November 2017 monthly meeting were up on the MAC website. **Motion to approve the Secretary's Report by Dan, Second by John. Vote: unanimous.**
3. The **Treasurer's Report** was presented by Kathy. Kathy stated that Ron has emailed the report out to the membership. **Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report by Ed, Second by Ric. Vote: unanimous.**

4. MAC Football realignment for the 2018 season -

Joe Marani began the discussion saying he had concerns from the end of season football coach's meeting regarding sportsmanship issues. These issues were usually addressed at that meeting. There were two schools that had had a couple of complaints during the season. Those two schools were Monomoy and Nantucket. Nantucket was at the meeting and the concerns were addressed. Monomoy sent an assistant coach who arrived about a half and hour late to the meeting. Joe stated that Monomoy was an invited guest in the league and was very disappointed there was no administrative representation at the meeting that could address the issues that had come up during the season. Joe Marani expressed another concern that the Cape and Islands were going to develop their own league as early as next season with the C & I small schools. Chris Maury did not deny nor support this statement. Joe said that when the three divisions were set in the MAC last year he he spoke with the Principals of Cape Tech and Monomoy about what was the length of their commitment to the MAC. He got a verbal commitment of one year. Mike H. and Joe then spoke and felt that if these schools do leave next season why are we waiting to realign.

Motion made by Joe Marani: He recommends the MAC move back to two divisions in football for the 2018 season with full time member school. Second John Parris
Discussion: Mike explained the breakdown of two divisions as large being made up of BP, BC, DIMAN, SE, SH,TC and small BH,UC,OC,AVON/HOLBROOK,WB,SS.

Chris Maury stated first if there were coaches' problems the AD in charge should deal with them. He said there have no discussions about changing divisions and that this came from Joe M. and if this new alignment happens Nantucket has no place to play football next year. Chris also asked how can they just remove three schools from the league? Nantucket has been in the MAC for 5 years and the C & I league is not a done deal. There has been a meeting of the C & I schools trying to prepare for a new divisional alignment but at this time it does not exist and when it does exist it will need district approval.

Alan Harrison stated he has an email from Mike McCarthy saying if things do not change Martha's Vineyard will play an independent schedule. John Parris asked how realignment would affect the non-league schedule. Mike stated that it would affect week one of the season. John P. asked what happens to the MAC if the C & I does happen next year?

Alan Harrison stated there is no Cape and Island football league at this time. It does not exist. As far as Cape Tech is concerned they expect a full schedule be handed to them for the upcoming season. He sees no reason why he would not? He felt competition wise CT in the small school division is a perfect fit. Mike H. stated to Alan that his Principal is one of the driving forces behind the C & I league. Alan repeated there is no Cape and Island football league at this time. Alan stated that Cape Tech has done everything asked of the by the MAC.

Joe M. stated again his concern with the sportsmanship issue at Monomoy and the lack of representation at the end of season meeting and no phone call. Karen said they had spoke and they did send a representative. She said her coach had a family emergency and she had parent teachers and could not leave the building. Karen stated that she had spoke to Matt and her coach was wrong. Joe M. was upset that there was no follow up. Matt said there were directions to take something off social media. Karen stated that her coach is young and has been put on an improvement plan.

Alan said he was very disappointed to be asked to get out of the league.

Ed C. asked Alan what was his commitment for the league next year.

Chris Maury stated football is cyclical. They have had years that they lose in playoff in the MAC. Nantucket is doing well right now, but they will be graduating 14 seniors. He stated that he was not happy with the way the MAC was doing its' business, no phone call and no contact with principals.

Bob D. was concerned with the new alignment. He said he looked for the formula that is to be used but could not find in our by-laws. Mike said they used the same formula that had been used in the past and it the same as the one the MIAA uses. Bob feels that the formula should be revisited because of the multiplier. Catholic

school's enrollments in general are down and Sacred Hearts is also down. There was then discussion on how many schools MAC schools can draw from.

Dan Tripp said aren't we putting the horse in front of the cart here? We are asking for commitment from three schools for next year.

Joe M withdrew his motion

Motion from Ed Catabia- That the MAC receive a written letter of commitment from Monomoy, and Cape tech, and Nantucket confirming that they will continue as members of the MAC for football for the 2018 season at all levels. The letter should be sent to Mike Hennon. Second, John P. Motion passed 15 yes 2 abstain. Dan stated that after letters are received the league should move forward to discuss the future of football in the MAC.

5. Non-Playoff Football Scheduling - The committee director asked that the MAC appoint two people for this committee. Joe asked Mike H. So now it will be Pete K and Mike H. Joe M. is going to get more written information from Scott Francis

6. Coaches Education - Bob D had requested we try and do a league wide MIAA Coaches Education Course. Mike H said they are looking at the two weeks between the basketball and start of the spring season. He said they would like numbers of coaches for the January meeting. He asked everyone to bring their numbers to the January meeting. The league is going to pick up half the cost. Joe Marani will be teaching the course. Matt suggested maybe a second date and site?

7. MAC Basketball Jamboree - Mike H. was wondering if there would be interest in having a league basketball jamboree next year. It would have to be done the first Saturday after the first week. It would be for both boys and girls possible using two site that are close to each other. He felt this would be a good way to promote sportsmanship. He stated it could also be done in any sport. If people are interested, he thinks it should be set up in June.

8. Cross Country Coaches Recommendations - Mike H. coach had sent him an email with some ideas and changes to the Cross-Country Championship. Bob D. said he tried to have a meeting but that did not happen. He will try again to have a meeting to discuss these suggestions with the coaches in the league. Bob D. also expressed that he had a terrible time getting the End of season reports from coaches done correctly. Coaches were voting for coaches who no longer coached.

Records were all wrong. He asked that athletic directors to review these reports for accuracy before they are sent in.

9. B/G Lacrosse Schedule Good Friday/Approval of B/G Soccer/Volleyball 2018

Motion to approve - John P. second - Jay P. Approval of Cross Country will be on the January agenda

11. New Business - John Parris asked that his Co-Op with Coyle Cassidy in wrestling be approved. BP has 15-17 athletes and Coyle has 3.

Approved unanimously

Ric D. said officials not talking to teams regarding taunting. Rich V. said he was at a meeting with officials and it was never brought up. Matt T. is going to call the assignor.

Keith A. wanted to say thanks to all who helped him out this season. He personally wanted to apologize to Cape Tech. He stated he is having trouble with coaching staff coming up with excuses about playing sub varsity football games. He asked Joe if he could not be scheduled the last three weeks of the season and Joe agreed.

Steve B. asked whether the shooting rule in basketball was a league rule or an individual school rule. Mike said it was an individual school rule.

Mike H. asked if anyone is interested in Boys Soccer. No one responded

Motion to adjourn

MAC Monthly Minutes Submitted by,

Kathy Swain,

Clerk

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