

NORTHERN INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

SUMMER SCHEDULED MEETING MINUTES

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 2002 @ MARQUETTE, MI.

11:30 AM at WAHLSTROM'S RESTAURANT

5045 US 41 SOUTH, Marquette 906-249-1453

Associations Present: Keweenaw, Green Bay, Marquette, Northern Travelers (Indep.), Cheboygan, Soo Ont. Minor, Soo Ont. Major, Char – Em, Am Soo, Escanaba, Gaylord, Alpena, Traverse City: (13)

Associations Absent: St. Ignace: (1)

OLD BUSINESS

1. Roll Call; Approved minutes of 04/27/02 & Financial of 04/26/02.
2. Brief Summary of 2001-2002 Season.
3. Banners for next season: Executive decision on one, standard NIHL Color Scheme to be forthcoming. This will allow banner material and letters to be on hand at season end for quicker delivery to teams.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Scheduled Team Lineup for 2002 – 2003: see matrix on web site.
 - a. Squirt AA has 9 teams. On a 6- 3 vote, all 9 teams will play in one division for 32 NIHL games.
 - b. Pee Wee AA has 11 teams. On a 6 – 5 vote, teams will split into 5 team West and 6 team East divisions for 28 and 30 NIHL games.
 - c. Bantam AA has 6 teams and all will play 20 NIHL games.
 - d. Current Midget AA has only 3 teams. If Escanaba and/or Char-Em join at that level, NIHL will provide awards and banners.
 - e. 4 MAHA Bantam AA Teams (Esky, Gaylord, Alpena, AmSoo) asked to play in the Bantam A NIHL. After much discussion, motion was approved All these MAHA AA teams will play in their MAHA District AA playoffs. 7 Bantam A teams will play 24 NIHL games.
 - f. PeeWee A has 5 teams and will play 16 NIHL games.
 - g. Squirt A has 4 teams but will play 12 non league games this season.
 - h. Summary: 13 Associations, 38 teams, 5 divisions.
2. AA Playoff Tourney: Set for weekend of 02/21 to 02/23/ 2003 in Soo, MI.
 - a. Banners to be provided for Division and Playoff Champions
 - b. Medallions: Gold, Silver and Bronze for top 3 Playoff or Regular Season (No Playoff) Teams plus participation medals for 4th place Tour. Teams
3. NIHL sew on jersey patches required for all AA and A teams. Order from Mike Drewyor; see form on web site.

4. 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 web page links for NIHL Host Associations: Get your web site addresses to Mike D. or Mark D.
5. Adjourn business meeting @ 12:15 pm

Recorded by Mike Drewyor