



## Massachusetts Vocational Athletic Directors Association

Ryan Methia, GNBVT – President  
Matt Trahan, Old Colony – Vice President  
Don Heres Northeast – Secretary  
Dan Tripp, Southeastern – Treasurer  
Terry Riley, Retired - Historian

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**MVADA**  
**Sept 14, 2021**

**Zoom Meeting**  
**1:00 P.M.**

**In Attendance:** James Pereira - Diman, Ryan Dunphy - Westfield, David Reid - Monty Tech, Adolph Graciale - Lynn Tech, Ben Rabinovitch - Upper Cape, Dan Tripp - Southeastern, Michael Denise - Blackstone Valley, Robert Callahan - Nashoba Tech, Terry Riley - Historian, Mark Lebeda - Bristol-Plymouth, Matt Trahan - Old Colony, Joe Gamache - Franklin County, Ryan Methia - Greater New Bedford

### **1. Treasurer's Report:**

#### **a. Fees and due date**

*MVADA Treasurer Dan Tripp will be sending out communications to the schools that have yet to provide a PO for 2021-22 MVADA dues*

*Due date is October 15th for PO to be sent to Dan*

*Any school that does not meet the deadline will not be able to compete in MVADA Tournaments per MVADA By-Laws*

### **2. Secretary Report:**

#### **a. Minutes of last meeting**

*MVADA Secretary Report Don Heres was unable to attend meeting due to school commitments.*

*President Ryan Methia spoke on the Secretary Report*

*Minutes of the June meeting were emailed on the morning of 9.14.21*

*There is an error on the minutes from the June Meeting: Matt Trahan will be Tournament Director for the 2021 MVADA Golf Tournament and it will be held at Acushnet River Valley on October 6th, 2021*

*[MVADA Golf Entry Form Due on 9/30](#)*

### **3. New Business:**

#### **● Introduction of new Athletic Directors**

*MVADA President Ryan Methia introduced new Athletic Directors*

*Bay Path: Acting AD is Principal Clifford Cloutier*

*Bristol Plymouth: Mark Lebeda*

*Diman: Jams Pereira*

*Essex: Michael Murphy*

*McCann: Robin Finnegan*

*Nashoba: Robert Callahan*

#### **● MVADA web site**

*MVADA Historian Terry Riley reported on new MVADA website*

*New website is: <https://mvada.org/>*

*All relevant Association Information will be found of website*

*Tournament Standings/Rankings will be updated weekly*

*All AD's were asked to ensure their tournament commitment forms are updated weekly*

#### **● MVADA Tournaments**

##### **○ Athletic Director Responsibilities**

*Hockey Tournament Director position was open due to James Creed becoming Dean of Students at Essex Tech*

*New AD at Nashoba, Robert Callahan volunteered to take over the role of MVADA Hockey Tournament Director. He is the Head Hockey Coach at Nashoba and has helped James with the event in recent years  
Ryan Methia motioned to have Robert Callahan be named MVADA Hockey Tournament Director*

- 1. Matt Trahan Seconded*
- 2. Vote was unanimous*

*Wrestling Tournament Director position was left open with the departure of Farrah Lalli from Essex Tech  
We will be looking a new director in the November Meeting*

- **Changes to Cross Country**

*MVADA Cross Country Championship Meet will be held November 2nd 1:00pm at Wrentham Development Center with a 12:30pm Coaches Meeting*

## **4. Hot Topics**

### **a. Heat Modification**

*Ryan Methia discussed specific language changes made over the summer to the MIAA Heat Modification Policy*

[MIAA Heat Modification Policy](#)

### **b. Arbiter**

*Ryan Methia discussed issues with new Arbiter System*

*Numerous ADs mention having issues as well*

*Power Ranking System was discussed*

[Current Power Ranking System ?](#)

### **c. Covid Protocol**

*Ryan Methia asked which schools have in-school rapid testing available for student-athletes:*

*Schools that do have testing: Worcester Tech, Tri-County, Blackstone, Nashoba, Southeastern, Monty Tech, Greater New Bedford*

*Schools that do not have testing: Old Colony, Westfield (Waiting Final Approval), Upper Cape, Diman, Bristol Plymouth*

*Ryan Methia Asked which schools are using a return from COVID-19 process with student-athletes that have tested positive*

*Tri-County, Essex, Blackstone, Southeastern, Upper Cape, Greater New Bedford confirmed they are using a return from COVID process*

*No schools indicated they were not*

## **5. President's Report**

*Ryan Methia wished everyone luck as they start their seasons*

*Next Meeting was schedule on 11/11, which is Veterans Day*

*New Meeting date is 11/10 10:00am*

*Ryan Methia is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.*

*Topic: MVADA General Zoom Meeting*

*Time: Nov 10, 2021 10:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)*

*Join Zoom Meeting*

*<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74291919391?pwd=THVYZnRXQ25MeGc4L2N6cmoyTmxlUT09>*

*Meeting ID: 742 9191 9391*

*Passcode: qaTX7R*

