



Massachusetts Vocational Athletic Directors Association

Ryan Methia, GNBVT - President
Matt Trahan, Old Colony - Vice President
Don Heres, Northeast - Secretary
Sara Martin, Tri-County - Treasurer
Terry Riley, Retired, Historian

MVADA Minutes Sept 13, 2022

Treasurer's Report:

- Balance of \$9767.30
- Still getting squared away with the transition from Dan Tripp
- Should have the account open ASAP
- The due date for dues has been extended to October to facilitate the transition.
- There was a question regarding a co-op dues and whether both schools would be required to pay the dues.
 - The answer was that if both schools are vocational schools they are required to pay.

Secretary's Report (Handled by Ryan Methia)

The Secretary's report consisted of the new Athletic Directors and their contact information.

Old Business:

Ryan spoke of a formal proposal to power rank for all tournaments. Ryan will work on this proposal and submit at a later date.

New Business:

- Officers were presented (all were in attendance)
- Executive Committee was introduced

Historian/Executive Tournament Director Report:

- It is imperative that Athletic Directors check which option they are using for our tournaments
- We currently need 12 games for tournaments (other than football)
- Record the scores of the games which you declare using the #1
- There was discussion about spring sports tournaments and going to just a final game or remaining with the current system of semifinals and finals

- The discussion involved athletic directors and the consensus was to continue with the current format
- The by-laws were discussed regarding opting out of the tournament and the timeline to do so.
 - Terry stated that the by-laws state that the cutoff date is a commitment date.
 - Notification of opting out should be 1 week before the said cutoff date
 - Refusing to participate after will result in sanctions
- Football alignment
 - Lynn Tech stated their case of middle schoolers not being part of their program. They are in Division 8 in football and would like to move to our Small school division in football.
 - Adolph Graciale presented the case for Lynn Tech
 - Don Heres spokane on behalf of Lynn Tech
 - Al Costabile spoke on behalf of Lynn Tech
 - The vote was unanimous for Lynn Tech to move to the small school division and Essex Tech to move to the Large school division
- Dated of the MVADA calendar were presented, discussed, and approved
 - Discussion of our MVADA Cross Country Championships was discussed
 - Don Heres will talk to the CAC at their league meeting and will contact the board regarding their League Meet
- Fall tournament and cutoff dates were presented
 - Terry will send reminders
 - Ed Catabia gave the date for the Spring Outdoor Track Championships at Blue Hills. Tuesday, May 16th
- All awards and medals will be given to tournament directors.
- Currently, we have 12 games as the commitment for our tournaments, discussion should take place about going back to 10 games based on difficulties finding vocational games

President's report:

- The priority of our vocational championships was discussed
- Please read the bylaws regarding tournament formats
- Hit the deadline if opting out