Meeting Minutes, Spring MYCCA Meeting (4/8/18)

*These will be approved at the Fall Training per our by-laws.

Attended: Portland Tide, Auburn City Cheer, Bath Middle School, Biddeford Youth Cheering, Fairfield Pal Cheering, GNG Diamonds, Jefferson Village School, Lewiston Sparks, Messalonski Middle School, Messalonski Youth Cheer, Mt. Blue Rec Cheer, Oak Hill Youth Cheering, Oxford Hills Middle School, Oxford Hills Youth Cheering, Poland, River Valley Hornets, Scarborough Cheering, Skowehegan Rec Cheering, Skowhegan Junior High, South Portland Youth Cheering, Synergy, Turner Rebels. 22 out of 55 organizations represented.

-Meeting begins with Introductions of Board Members

Board Positions Voted:

- **Vice President position**: Motion for Alana Oliver to resume position unopposed, Appointed VP for second term. (Motions Gray New Gloucester, Lewiston 2nd the motion, unanimous end vote)
- **Secretary Position**: Peter Ceprano from Auburn for position unopposed, Appointed (Motions Oakhill, River Valley 2nd the motion, unanimous end vote)
- Invitational Coordinator position: Voted on annually; Christine Mecham term is up, but she has also offered by email to keep the position for another term. Scott shared the duties of the coordinator and asked if anyone else was interested in the position. No one volunteered for position of Invitational coordinator. Motion for Christine Mecham to continue position unopposed, Appointed. (Motions Oakhill, GNG seconded motion, unanimous end vote)

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u>

-Trish Roderick the MYCCA Board Treasure shares expenses, profit and distribution of MYCCA account.

2017/2018 Starting balance = **\$10,423.56**

Outstanding Revenue:

\$500.00 income from Showcase

Outstanding Expenses:

Up to \$2,000 towards Lobster Bowl Sponsors

Up to \$1,000 Senior scholarships

Anticipated ending balance = \$ 10,346.08

Policy and Procedures packet presented. Motion to accept the policy and procedures as written (Motions- GNG, South Portland 2nd the motion) Close out of policy and procedures; All In favor of accepting policy and procedures (Motions; GNG, South Portland 2nd the motion)

During Policy and Procedure conversation members discussed the following;

- Number of <u>warmup mats</u> only being five, moving forward the host will have to accommodate 5 or 7 mats (Not 6)
- Regarding Music needing to be digital, or on phones etc... needs to be addressed at the fall meeting and updated host requirements.
- Question asked regarding the Enrollment Guidelines for Neighboring Communities. With this topic discussion came the issue of neighboring towns not being able to solicit kids... however not turning them down if they purse a team in another community.

Bylaws Packet Presented. Motion to accept the bylaws as written (Motions; Oakhill, River Valley 2nd the motion) Close out of By Laws; All in favor of accepting policy and procedures and adhering by written By Laws.

Recommendations on guidelines for HOSTING competitions.

- If a host does not have a full floor for warm-ups, this needs be disclaimed on their event flier during the registration process. Warm up mats should have Five or Seven mats allowed not six or less than five.
- New guideline proposed that hosts provide an athletic trainer, not an EMT. Guideline
 will be changed in written packet. Any assistance in finding an athletic trainer to reach
 out the MYCCA president or MYCCA board.

<u>Susan Presented minor changes to guideline, rubric and deductions</u>. These changes will be posted on the website in the next few weeks.

-Scott presented 2 items separate from the policies and procedure vote to allow membership to vet. The following were presented to the membership for consideration; If passed would be included in the policy & Procedures going forward.

(1) At no time shall an athlete compete on more than one team registered within the MYCCA organization.

Motion to accept this policy as written; (Motion; Lewiston Sparks, and Mount Blue seconded motion with a unanimous end vote) Any report of a cheerleader being on more than one roster going forward should be brought to the attention of the MYCCA board. * See by-law below on how the MYCCA Board would address this issue.

*From our by-laws: Article II Membership; Section 8: Expulsions from Membership. Any Member/organization may be expelled from the association for just cause, by two thirds vote of Boards of Directors. Said member shall be given a hearing before said Board of Directors by a written request. If an organization is expelled, they can not participate in any MYCCA competitions until reinstated by the board.

Note: The MYCCA membership has been following this guideline/expectation for years, however it does not appear that it was an actual written rule prior to this meeting.

(2) Current USASF rostered athletes may NOT also be rostered on any MYCCA competition teamsduring the MYCCA competition season (Safety Showcase though Maine Cheer Classic.

(Motion; GNG and Oakhill seconded motion) When a show of hands did not indicate a clear vote; a written ballot was introduced; 9 yes, 11 no, 2 abstained vote to not put this policy into place.

Reviewed Competition Schedule: Motion to accept comp schedule as written (motion; Lewiston Sparks and Oakhill seconded motion) Motion Unanimous after discussed.

Competition Dates

MPA confirmed regional's / states Here's how the rest of the schedule would line up Each site needs to confirm their site availability on this date to lock it in for next year:

1-27-19 = MYCCA Safety comp site TBD

2-2-19 = Cheers from the Heart (Biddeford & OH)

2-9-19 = HS States

2-16-19 = Scarborough

2-17-19 = Mt. Blue

2-23-19 = Vacation Classic Lewiston AND Fairfield PAL

3-2-19 = Oxford Hills AND Elite

3-9-19 = Poland 3-16-19 = River Valley AND South Portland 3-23-19 = Turner 3/24/19 = Firehouse 3-30-19 = Maine Cheer Classic TBD

Hosting for the Showcase and for Cheer Classic.

-Need to know interest by 6/1/2018... Email Christine Mecham: clpm2003@yahoo.com

So far....

- INTERESTED IN HOSTING **SHOWCASE**:

SKOWHEGAN

- INTERESTED IN HOSTING MAINE CHEER CLASSIC:

BIDDEFORD HIGH SCHOOL,

MOUNT BLUE

- -These will be determined by 8/1/2018
- Allowing host to combine Middle School or SUPER Star for fair competition only if there
 are five or less teams in either division. In 2018 this was a challenge for Division I, as we
 only had 6 Division I Superstars and 4 Division I Middle School. Consensus to allow.
- Scholarships for cheerleaders involved in Lobster Bowl for first 20 cheerleaders to apply for 100 dollars each towards their \$ 500 goal that needs to be raised. Christine Mecham is appointed to oversee this distribution.
- <u>Senior Scholarships</u>: Subcommittee formed; Alana Oliver VP, Shelly Coltart from Poland and Stacey Hall from Oxford Hills; This committee will review applications from Senior Cheerleaders. Applications will be due by June 1, 2018. Applications will be made available on our website. Scholarship winners will be notified by June 15th.

Request for MYCCA to financially support <u>cheerleaders attending NCA Camp</u>. A Subcommittee formed (Scott Segal, Trish Roderick, Loretta ______ from Skowhegan and Stacey Hall from Oxford) to recommend to the MYCCA Board a process to offer potential MYCCA funding to support

Cheerleaders attending NCA Camp or other appropriate cheer camps. It costs approximately \$320.00 per cheerleader to attend NCA camp. The subcommittee will determine requirements and value of financial support. A recommendation should be submitted to the board by 5/1 in order to consider donating this summer. Any monies allotted would be paid directly to NCA camp.

- Training Subcommittee; (Led by Dani Tannenbaum, Steph Pelky, Rebecca Norton, Krystal Kirk, Lakota Physic). Susan Hartnett needs to be CC'd on any discussion. The committee will identify topics and determine if establishing a mini conference as part of the Fall Training is doable. This will have to be done with Susan Hartnett, who helps us arrange the speaker in conjunction with the MPA's Fall Training.
- Topics to go over in fall host meeting; Vendors in host gym, warm ups for competitions noise level and space provided.

^{*}Vote to Adjourn the Meeting; Motion River Valley and Mount Blue seconded motion.