

Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, December 7, 2005

In Attendance:

John Stark Jim Sappier, Jim
 Bow Bruce and Bob Polish
 Newfound Bonnie Roach and Brian
 Kearsarge Sam Cavallaro
 Laconia Rod Roy
 Gilford Norm Harris
 Monadnock Paul Fazio
 Concord Wayne &, Dave Levesque, and Ray
 Pembroke Mike Tatro and Dave Tremblay

Absent; Winnisquam

Sam with Kearsarge proposed a league consisting of 10 teams with an ultimate goal of all teams fielding a 7th grade team and an 8th grade team. The chart below covers team's opinions on key issues. Individual team comments followed with a 5 minute time limit per team.

Team	Game Dates	Playoffs yes/no	7 th grade	# of games	End of season	Rules	Games Back to back
Kearsarge	Saturday	Yes	Yes		2 nd wk Nov	NHIAA	Yes
Pembroke	Saturday	Yes	Yes/JV		2 nd wk Nov	NHIAA	Yes
Concord	Wed/Sat	yes	JV		1 st wk Nov	NHIAA	Yes
Monadnock	Wed/Sat	Yes	Yes		2 nd wk Nov	NHIAA	Yes
Gilford	Sat	Yes	Yes		1 st wk Nov	NHIAA	Yes
John Stark	Sat	Yes	Yes		2 nd wk Nov	NHIAA	Yes
Bow	Sat/Sun	Yes	Yes/JV		2 nd wk Nov	NHIAA	Yes
Laconia	Any	Yes	Yes/JV		Jan	NHIAA	Yes
Newfound	Sat	Yes	Maybe		2 nd wk Nov	NHIAA	Yes

Kearsarge: Not a middle school team, Privately funded. Fielded around 36 kids at the 7-8 grade level in 2005. Would like to see an 8 Game season with 2 Playoff games

Pembroke: Not a middle school team, privately funded. Fielded around 48 kids in 2005. Need to have either a 7th grade league or a JV League as well as 8th grade.

Concord: Not a middle school team. Field about 40 kids every year. Will have trouble fielding a "true 7th grade

team”, do to AYF Youth football league.

Like the Weds Games but are flexible.

Monadnock Travel is a big issue. Monadnock is a true middle school team. Funded by the school. No head coach right now, will have to get back with the league to be sure they are in.

Gilford Not a middle school team. Have a gate fee that pays for their entire league. Will address this with the board in Gilford, seeing no other teams charge a gate.

John Stark Not Middle School Team. Would really like to align all their games on the same day if possible.

Bow Not a Middle School Team, no Wednesday games. May have trouble fielding a “true 7th grade team” in 2006. Are in favor of a JV team. Bow institutes a 10 play MPR rule.

Laconia A True Middle School Team. Will Play whenever and whoever. Could have trouble with a 7th grade team but can field a JV team.

Newfound Not a Middle School team. May have trouble fielding 2 teams. Expect a large draw from Pop Warner.

Points agreed upon.

1. JV team: It will be the goal of the league for all involved to field a 7th grade team. For the first year teams agree a JV team will be allowed.
JV Being classified as any 7th/8th grader not deemed a started for the 8th grade team, unless there is a numbers issue.
2. Game Days: Everyone agrees on Scheduling games on Saturday. Home team has the option to change the game date however both teams must agree.
3. Playoffs Top 4 Teams advance to the playoffs. Bottom 6 teams will play a tournament. JV Teams will play a tournament. Site to be determined.
4. Jamboree Gilford will host a preseason Jamboree. All teams invited.
5. Quarters 10 minute quarters both Varsity and JV.
6. Length of season Playoffs to begin 1st Sunday in November. Championship game on the following Sunday.
7. Playoff Hosting Higher seed will host unless fields are an issue then the option will go to the lower seed. Only league games will count toward playoff seeding. Teams are free to schedule and play any other games they want however league schedules must be honored.

There will be two league meetings, one in July and one in December. All teams must send one representative.

Sam will check into scheduling of Officials and ask Steve Main if he will handle the scheduling for the league.

Bonnie will provide names for the league that everyone can vote on.

Dave will handle the website.

Meeting adjourned @ 9:05 PM all in agreement to go forward with the league.