



MN Hockey Director of Officiating

Annual Report

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2008-2009

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Two retiring supervisors as of April 25, 2009

- o District 11 – Scott Patten has retired after 5 years as supervisor.
- o District 12 – Tod Plackner has retired after 5 years as supervisor.

Two new supervisors as of April 25, 2009

- o District 11 – Nick Biondich is taking over for Scott Patten
- o District 12 – Chris Kavanaugh is taking over for Tod Plackner

122 officials participated in the youth and girls state tournaments this year.

MHOA Camp – Dave Weisjahn will be camp director again this year. We have 12 applicants for the camp to be held June 13-18 in St. Cloud.

By-law Change proposal

- o We have established reciprocity agreements with Wisconsin, North Dakota and South Dakota to allow officials registered with their own affiliate association. Because of this change we need to submit a by-law change to allow officials from adjoining states to officiate within MN.

Uniform Playing Rules

- o With more inter-district play throughout MN, we ask all district directors to consider standardized playing rules throughout the state.

Summary of Penalties for 2008-2009 season:

- o Game Misconduct/Match Penalties – 714 this year vs 739 last yr. 3% Decline
- o Match Penalties – 34 this yr vs 20 last yr. 70% increase. Majority of those match penalties were for kicking.
- o Fighting – 163 this yr vs 217 last yr. Decline of 25%
- o Check from Behind – 161 this yr vs 134 last yr. Increase of 20%.
- o Abuse of Officials – 138 this yr vs 134 last yr. 3% increase.

Assessments/Observations:

- o In our opinion, Stop Patches do not deter check from behind. There was a 20% increase in these calls this year. Over an 8 year trend we are averaging 134 per year.

MHOA Board Elections:

- o Two positions were up for election this year for two-year terms, President and North Vice President. Our new board positions are:
 - o President – Eric Olson
 - o North Vice-President – Buzz Olson

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Olson
MHOA President
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