

USA Hockey Registration  
April 25, 2009  
Crowne Plaza

Carol Carlson – USA Hockey Registrar Minnesota District – called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. The following Associate Registrars were in attendance:

Lynn Brandt – District 3                      Pat Fiedler – District 8  
Cindy Kunde – District 15 & 16              Sue Sentieri – WHAM & District 10  
Rich Rakness – District 1 & 8

A question had come up regarding whether or not the high school representatives should be allowed to cast the votes for their registered players when the Minnesota District has a weighted vote. A straw pole was taken and everyone was in agreement that the high school boys representative and the high school girls representative should be allowed to vote with their respective numbers as long as the numbers can be readily pulled out of the registration data base. This issue will be presented to the full board on Sunday for a vote.

The District Directors were asked if they had any issues to discuss from the documentation that was emailed to them with the USA Hockey and Minnesota registration requirements. There was discussion on the following issues:

- Players playing down to a lower level. In areas where numbers are low, players can be combined from different ages but need to be registered at the higher level team – i.e. Squirts and PeeWees can skate on the same team as long as the team is registered as a PeeWee team. If there are other situations, approval is required from Carol Carlson just like the requests to have a single player play down.
- The play down procedure involves having documentation from a medical doctor stating the reason for the play down. The association would first approve the request and then send all the documentation to the District Director for approval. The District Director then forwards all the documentation to Carol Carlson for final approval.
- There was discussion of having high school and college players on the ice with the younger players. This is allowed as long as all these high school and college players are registered with USA Hockey. If this is going to be a one-time situation, a special event sanction can be issued by Carol Carlson to cover the individuals for the one time on the ice. Carol was asked by Tim Timm to take the concern to USA Hockey that we allow high school and college players to volunteer their time with the youth organizations without requiring them to be registered. Carol will bring this up at the Registrar's meeting at the USA Hockey Annual Congress.
- All rosters must be signed-off before a team participates in league games scrimmages, or tournaments.
- There are rules in the Minnesota Hockey handbook that are more strict than the USA Hockey rules. If the board no longer sees a need for these rules, then they need to get them changed rather than choosing to ignore them.
- The problem of improperly signed rosters being discovered at the Region and State tournament level was discussed. The problems ranged from having coaches with expired CEP cards to no signatures on the rosters at all. Another area of concern is that the teams have one level designated in the team name and another level in the Division and Class on the roster – i.e. White Bear Bantam A is the team name and the Division is PeeWee and the class is C.
- Starting with this coming season, 2009-2010, District Directors will no longer be signing rosters. Only the Associate Registrars or the Registrar will be able to sign-off on rosters.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol D. Carlson