

# District 9 Spring Association Meeting

Tuesday, June 21, 2011

7:00 p.m.

Wicked Moose, Rochester, MN

## Roll Call

<u>X</u>	Albert Lea	<u>X</u>	Mankato	<u>X</u>	Red Wing
<u>NA</u>	Austin	<u>NA</u>	Montgomery	<u>X</u>	Rochester
<u>X</u>	Dodge County	<u>X</u>	New Ulm	<u>X</u>	St. Peter
<u>X</u>	Faribault	<u>X</u>	Northfield	<u>NA</u>	Waseca
<u>X</u>	La Crescent	<u>X</u>	Owatonna	<u>X</u>	Winona

## Introductions

Introductions were made.

## Minutes from Winter District 9 Association Meeting Minutes

Minutes are posted on the website. No changes were requested to be made.

## Treasurer Report

Mark reported that our current balance is \$4,600. We have a few ice bills yet to pay. M/S/P to approve the treasurer's report (Faribault/New Ulm).

## Elections – 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President and Secretary

Tom Christianson nominated Scott Schneider as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President for a two year term. Cyndi Taylor from La Crescent nominated Kathy Hollon as Secretary for a two year term. If anyone has any other nominations, please send them to Tom. We will vote on these two positions on the meeting in July.

## Director's Report

Checking at the PeeWee Level: It was approved to remove checking from the PeeWee level. A special teleconference was held to discuss this issue. It was voted 12 to 10 not in favor of removing checking from the PeeWee level. Tom voted against taking checking out of the PeeWee level as he did not like how quickly it was being pushed through. This rule could be detrimental to girls hockey. This item will be discussed at length this weekend at the Minnesota Hockey meeting. Jason Johanssen will post the link to the new rule on our website.

Tag Up Rule: Tag Up at all levels was recommended, however, it only passed for 14U/Bantams and up.

Short Handed Icing: This rule was defeated.

Districts and Regions for Next Year: It was felt that the double elimination tournament starting on Thursday worked well this year. Tom reported that Troy has 2 brackets that will for associations with 1 or 2 sheets of ice to give smaller associations a chance to host. If associations are interested in hosting district or region tournaments, please email Troy. Faribault has expressed interest in hosting the 14U A state tournament. This year for Regions we are with Districts 4, 6 and 9. Districts 9 and 6 will each send 4 teams to Districts at the Bantam A and PeeWee A level. PeeWee B and Bantam B will have 3, 3, and 2

Update on Luverne Playing in our League: Luverne will play through our districts to get to regions.

Mason City Would Like to Play in Our League: It was asked that associations think about it and it will be discussed and voted on at the next meeting.

AA Update: This will be voted on this weekend and it is thought that it will pass. This will give associations AA, A and B levels. It will follow the high school model and will be for post season.

League Structure Pertaining to Rochester Red Teams (2 – 2 point games or 1 – 4 point game): Last season Rochester Red played an independent schedule and was then seeded back for Districts. Many complaints from parents and 1 association. Calls and emails received from coaches were in favor of handling it the way it was. AA will help alleviate this problem next year. The question is what do we do this coming season. Associations are being asked to discuss this and bring recommendations to the July meeting. Do associations want to play 1 4 point game or 2 2 point games?

### **New Business**

PeeWee B2 League: We do not have many C teams at the Bantam and PeeWee levels. It was recommended that we have a B2 league. Rochester would take all of their C teams and place them at the B2 level. The B2 levels would not play in Districts and the District would have an invitational tournament for that level. There is support for making the PeeWee league a C league rather than a B2 league. This will be finalized at the Fall meeting.

No Patches for District 9: Representatives were asked to let their associations know that District 9 will not have patches.

### **Fall Meeting Mandatory for Association Presidents and District 9 Representatives**

#### **Update District 9 Operations Manual:**

- i. Calendar for Next Year: The calendar will be updated and reviewed at the July meeting.
- ii. Communication to District Director via District Representative: Communication to the District needs to come from district representative. This will reduce the number of calls and emails that Tom receives. It will also reduce miscommunication.

### **Tournament Report**

- a. Tournament Locations: Associations were asked to get Regional bids to Tom ASAP. All other tournament bids are due by August 1, 2011.
- b. Tournament Fees for Next Year: Tabled.
- c. Distribution of District Plaques: Dave distributed the plaques to the appropriate associations.

### **Coaching Coordinator Report**

Will Fish is going to Colorado Springs in August. Clinics will be posted by August 1, 2011. Will reported that Spring went well. Every coach will have to take an online module every year. The ADM program is coming along.

### **District 9 Officials Report**

Clinics have been posted. The District 9 Officials Executive Summary was distributed in April to all of the Board and local presidents. If you need a copy please request a copy through the Supervisor of Officials. Fall clinics have been posted to the MHOA website.

### **Girls Committee**

No report.

### **Statistician Report**

Jason was thanked for all of his hard work on the website. Jason requested that all of the associations turn their tournament schedule in to him ASAP so he can post it on the website. He also encouraged everyone to support District 9 associations by attending their tournaments.

### **Player Development/ACE Report**

Fall Bantam camps will be split into an East and West. The West side will have District 4 as well. They plan on having both sides meet in Owatonna or Faribault and scrimmage.

### **Old Business**

No report

### **New Business**

Tom distributed checks to the associations from Minnesota Hockey to reimburse the \$10 coaches fee.

Shattuck vs. World Hockey Game is scheduled for August 11, 2011. The cost is \$20/adults and \$10/kids. The game starts at 7 pm. with an autograph session prior to the game. Only 800 tickets are sold. Jason will post this on the District website as well.

Many thanks to the Executive Committee for all of their hard work. An extra special thank you to Tom for all of his hard work and leadership.

### **Open Discussion**

No report

### **Adjourn Meeting**

M/S/P 8:53 p.m.

**Next Meeting Dates:** Tom apologized for the short notice of this meeting. He had sent an email out in a more timely fashion, but it was not sent due to computer problems. The next meeting will take place July 19, 2011 at Four Seasons Arena in Owatonna at 7:00 p.m.