

District 15 Winter 2012 Meeting
February 12, 2012
Elks Club, Wadena MN

I. Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by District President, Joe Bergquist

II. Roll Call showing the following associations present: Alexandria, Benson, Brainerd, CIA, Detroit Lakes, Fergus Falls, Little Falls, Long Prairie, Moorhead, Morris, Park Rapids, Central Lakes, Sauk Centre, Walker/Leech Lake
Absent: Little Falls, Perham, Wadena

III. Approval of Minutes from the Fall 2011 meeting, Fergus Falls motion to approve, second Morris, motion carried to approve.
Reminder to associations attending a District tournament, bring a \$250 gate fee check payable to the host association, must be presented prior to the first game played.

IV. Open Forum – nothing presented

V. Approval of Treasures report, Jen Riley, report presented, checkbook balance \$7,695.39 with the savings account balance \$1,401.05. Dues are missing from Alexandria, CIA, Fergus Falls, Wadena, and Walker. Fergus Falls requested the form for the dues that are due be posted on the Web so associations don't have to get the form in the mail. Jen will work with Joe to get this done
Detroit Lakes motion to approve as presented, second by Benson, motion carried

VI. District Director Report – Dennis Bushy

Thanks to all associations for helping handle problems that arise during the season. Redistricting has been tabled so should not be any changes for a couple of years (see report).

Rule changes, head contact is the only one that did not follow with the high school changes. Refs are making the calls they should and the rule changes are only for this season until July and then will be revisited.

There are going to be division changes AA and A. Moorhead and Brainerd will be AA Teams will have to petition to go up by October 1 and will be

notified by November 1, this is for Bantam and Pee Wee only, Mark Magnuson has not heard anything about the girls.

USA Hockey is planning on increasing dues by \$10, MN Hockey is not happy about the increase. Registration was 2,631 this year. We are in the middle, there are 529 coaches in our District that are registered.

The CEP program was new this year and had mixed reviews, there will be changes this summer. Andy Shriver said that Mite coaches will have to take level 3 when they renew. Still no definite answer about high school players on the ice.

VII. Tournament Director report – Aaron Erickson not present

VIII. Coaching Director report – Andy Shriver

a. Advanced 15 is for skaters with a birth year of 1997, to be held in April in Alexandria. See the District Website for additional details as he will keep it updated. The District tournaments are the best way to get a hold of these players and let them know about the opportunity. We will need to make contact with JV players and Bantam teams not making the District tournament.

IX. Director of Officials Report – Howard Breitkruetz

Most refs for the District tournaments should be Level 3. Each host association should get their list of officials that they are using to Howard to approve prior to the tournament.

There were a couple of match penalties this year. The midseason rule changes made things a little of a challenge. There were no major coaching issues but were some parent issues. Parents in the penalty box are officials and should act as such or be removed.

Howard sat in on all the level 3 seminars and they all lasted 6 hours.

X. Girls Director report – Mark Magnuson

Same info for the girls as for the boys on the Rebook advanced 1997 birth year, we need to put together a team. The District 15 Website will have the information, Jerry Arneson (Moorhead) will be the head coach. High School players will need to register on line with USA Hockey/MN Hockey

XI. President's report – Joe Bergquist

Final results should be done by noon on Monday 2/13/12. MBA PeeWee B wants 3pts for a game that Park Rapids didn't show up to play. It had

already been decided that the fair play point is only awarded if the game is played. Discussion on the fair play point can be looked at again next year.

League Champion gets automatic berth into regions, girls and B leagues? If three teams are moving to Regionals, league champion auto berth as 3rd seed at regional or they play in districts to determine seeding.

Motion by Benson to decide at the Spring meeting the decision on automatic berth to Regional if three teams are going, second by Alexandria. Roll call vote 12 yes and 1 no (Brainerd) motion carries

Brackets were revised

Bantam A Little Falls & Walker play off

Pee Wee A flip times on Game 2 & 3

Pee Wee B may have a HS play off game will adjust times if needed

12UA will find out how many teams move on 2 or 3

12UB play in game for bottom seed, again will have to find out if 2 or 3 teams move on

Send updates to Joe Bergquist's email as the results happen so he can post.

Contact Dennis Bushy if any hosts have any questions or concerns.

Hosts take trophies when you leave.

Spring meeting is set for Sunday May 6, 2012 at Elks Club in Wadena MN
Items on agenda: Tournament bidding; elections of secretary, treasurer, vice president, coaching; handbook updates and approval

XII. New business – none presented

XIII. Adjourn Motion by Benson to adjourn, second for Fergus Falls motion carries

Respectfully submitted
Juanita Staples, Secretary