

**District 11 Meeting Minutes  
Minnesota Hockey  
October 1, 2013  
Heritage Hockey center**

**In attendance:** Director Hill, Ken Hanson –DAHA, Dave Reyelts – PAHA, Vance Okstad-PAHA, Brian Foster – Esko, Rodney Wilson-Esko, Dustin Harriman-CAHA, Mick Maslowski –CAHA, Marty Olson-HAHA, Mike Guzzo- Silver Bay, Wade Leblanc – Silver Bay, Terry Burn-Moose Lake, Jesse Lundgren – Two Harbors, Clarke Coole-D11 Tournament Coordinator, Sue Powell – Two Harbors, Dan Heldt-NEHOA, Ben Kaasa- NEHOA, Steve Lanthier- Esko,

District 11 Director Pete Hill calls the meeting to order at 6:39 PM.

1. Approval of minutes from July 9, 2013. Change to EMTs. One EMT will be allowed to cover two games in a two rink facility. Wade LeBlanc motion to accept with changes. Second by Mick Maslowski.

2. **Treasurers report:** reviewed the September 2012 to September 2013 Schedule C report. \$8400 was deposited to checking by Director Hill from the 14/15 boys. All will come back out. Motion to accept the financial report through 8/13/13 made by Wade LeBlanc, second by Mick Maslowski.

3. **Benjamin Kaasa - VP, NEHOA:** rink agreements reviewed. NEHOA will agree to change fees with a two season agreement. They recommend a committee be formed after the 2014-15 season with one representative from each Association. There will be no single-game fees for out of district associations. They have decided to table Ref Pay for this season. All association presidents requested to sign and review rink agreements. Scheduler fee increasing from \$4.50 to \$5.00 per game. Referee clinics have been scheduled. They need more referees in Two Harbors and Silver Bay. Two Harbors requested NEHOA to help recruit. NEHOA to provide incentive to get officials to single games out of Duluth.

4. **Tournament Coordinator Clarke Coole:** Clarke handed out sanction forms, guidelines, list of schedulers and District league rules. The EMT rule change will be for Duluth and Cloquet. Associations need to submit their sanction form 21 days prior to the tournament. Mite 2 tournaments can be sanctioned at cross ice. Controlled scrimmages for squirts and Mite 2 allowed. There was a discussion regarding developing a policy to monitor the number of games played for the mite level. After discussion the board decided to have the associations monitor their mites.

5. Director Hill for **Coach in Chief Dave Esse:** Advanced Fall Camp 14/15 camp is finishing up. . Coaching clinics posted online and open. Level 4 will be held early September. There has been feedback that there are not enough level 4 clinics. Director Hill thinks there were three held in Minnesota this year.

6. **ACE Coordinator:** position open. Ask Director Hill for job description if needed.

7. **District Director report:** Locker room policy change –

- Minnesota Hockey policy is stricter than USA Hockey. Director Hill to put electronic copy on District 11 website. Also can be found on Minnesota Hockey website.
- Most of the reports coming from the safe sports committee stated most issues reported are due to the lack of a monitors in the locker room.
- Due to AAA hockey local associations are seeing reduced numbers at the summer camps. Minnesota Hockey to review adding summer hockey programs.
- A review of the Girls 14/15 program will occur. 4 Districts in the cities held a trial program with the girls in the Twin Cities. They found it was successful. Director Hill to bring girls 14/15 feedback back to district directors.
- There is discussion about redistricting. Hinckley may be joining our District.

- The competition committee ruled that teams that played up do not need to reapply. This rule applies to Hermantown only in our district.
- Only 1/3 of all Minnesota Association presidents responded with who their Safe Sport coordinator is for their Association. Video training must be completed by all board members and one member of each team.
- Reminder to use the Minnesota Hockey online screening form.

8. **Old business:** USA Hockey Register for District 11 Kathy Mann states that all Mites can be put on one roster. Association should monitor for the number of games.

9. **New business:** David Reyelts gave an update on the Squirt B league. There was lots of discussion and interest and there are still some concerns. Some associations are committed to the District 11 league. A motion was made to have one league with all Squirt B teams (27-28). They can choose to be level I or level II. Associations need to make their designation to the league coordinator by 10/31/13. Motion made to accept the Squirt policy made by Wade Leblanc Silver Bay second by Terry Burns Moose Lake. Motion carried unanimously.

There are three 12UA teams this year. Duluth will be hosting the 12UA districts. Director Hill defined the policy that 12UA and 12UB teams can't interplay without receiving Director Hills permission prior to scheduling the game. The same rule applies to the Bantam A and B's.

There will be no Mite league.

For the state tournament weekend Director Hill will be spending a lot of time up the North Shore due to the state tournaments. Director Hill requested reimbursement of the cost to stay in a hotel room during the youth state tournament. A Motion was made to approve payment out of the District 11 account for a two-night hotel stay made by Wade Leblanc and seconded by Marty Olson. Motion carried unanimously.

Wade LeBlanc made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by all in attendance.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Sue Powell  
Two Harbors