

District 15 Spring Meeting

May 7th, 2017

Wadena Arena, Wadena Minnesota

- I. Meeting called to order at 6:10pm by Carmen Johnson.
- II. The following associations present at Roll Call: Sauk Center, Detroit Lakes, Little Falls, Benson, Morris, Wadena, Park Rapids, Alexandria, Moorhead, Fergus Falls, and Brainerd.
- III. Absent: Northern Lakes, Walker
- IV. Fergus Falls Motioned to approve the Feb. 2017 meeting minutes. Brainerd 2nd motion. Motion carries.
- V. **Treasurer's Report:** Report submitted. Treasurer has 2 registration checks and an HP Program left to deposit.
- VI. **Girls Coordinator-** High Performance 14 & 15 programs completed. There were 4 coaches who collaborated on coaching both levels. 14s- 20 registered (1 cut & 1 withdrew).
 - A. 14s program change started this year and added a camp for them to advance to that level. District 15 advanced 4 forwards, 3 defense and 1 goalie. There were also 2 alternates.
 - B. 15s program had 19 participants. District 15 advanced 2 forwards, 2 defense, 1 goalie and 2 alternates. There some vacancies for positions to fill the roster so MN hockey provided players to fill.
 - C. District approved \$350 for the HP program to supplement the MN hockey funding. \$150 was used for the 14s for a scrimmage in Bemidji and \$185 was used for the 15s for an extra session of ice before the festival.
 - D. Girls Tier 1 info is on the MN Hockey website.
- VII. **Ref Coordinator-** (absent) no report
- VIII. **Hockey Director Report Denny-** High Performance for Boys 14s and 15s is also completed. President Carmen Johnson was the Manager for the 14s and Hockey Director Dennis Bushy was the Manager for the 15s.
 - A. Denny feels there were very good coaches for both levels and they were from several associations around the District.
 - B. 14s program advanced 1 forward and 1 defense.
 - C. 15s program had 4 players advance, 2 forwards and 2 defense.
 - D. Denny also has received a few emails from girls' and boys' parents that were very positive about the HP Program.
 - E. Tier 1 Program starts in August for 14s and 15s. 15s will combine with Districts 11, 12, 15, and 16. 14s will combine with District 16. Players register at MN Hockey website prior to the start of the program. 15s try-outs are scheduled the 1st weekend in August in Grand Rapids. The 14s will have tryouts in Bemidji. This is very similar to the HS Elite league where there are 4 travel weekends in Aug & Sept. Denny looking for coaches for the 14s.

- F. MN Hockey meeting update: Numbers in mites are growing each year. Mite levels will continue doing cross ice games with a limited number of full ice games.
1. District 15 had the highest # of tournaments than any other district in the state with 87 tournaments.
 2. District 15 will host 3 regional tournaments in 2018- Bantam AA, Bantam A, and PeeWee B. On Monday May 8th, the host associations need to go to MN Hockey website and fill out tournament host paperwork for regional tournaments.
 3. Question was asked regarding the packets that teams advancing to the Regional Tournament should be receiving at the District tournaments. This was not done for the 2017 tournaments and several teams were asking about them. Denny will bring this up at the next MN Hockey meeting. In the past, Regional Hosts should be sending packets to the District host to give to the teams advancing.

IX. **2018 Regional/ District Tournament Declarations:**

- A. Long Prairie- PeeWee B District
- B. Sauk Centre- PeeWee B Regional
- C. Detroit Lakes- Bantam A Regional
- D. Little Falls- Bantam A District
- E. Northern Lakes- absent
- F. Benson- Bantam B District
- G. Morris- Squirt B Upper
- H. Wadena- PeeWee A District
- I. Park Rapids- pass
- J. Alexandria- pass
- K. Walker- Squirt B Lower
- L. Moorhead- Bantam AA Regional
- M. Fergus Falls- 10U/ 12U (depending on # of teams, will revisit at Oct. meeting if needed)
- N. Brainerd- Squirt A

X. **Minnesota District 15 Hockey Handbook:**

- A. Breaking of Ties at the District Tournament: Motion was given by Brainers to follow the Regional Tournament format for breaking of ties. Motion was 2nd by Park Rapids. Motion carries.
- B. Motion was given by Brainerd for District 15 League Games to have a 5 min 5 on 5 Overtime during the regular season. This motion was 2nd by Sauk center. Motion carries.
- C. District 15 Website will not go to mobile ready website at this time.
- D. District 15 League Games:
 1. Motion was given by Alexandria for Bantam and U15 Girls levels to have 17 minute periods with 2 min penalties for all district games. Benson 2nd the motion. Motion carries.

2. Motion was given by Alexandria for PeeWee A & B, 12U Girls, Squirts A & B, 10U Girls to have 15 min periods with 1:30min penalties. Wadena 2nd the motion. Motion carries.
3. Fair Play Points:
 - a) Motion was given by Detroit Lakes to eliminate fair play points per game and only use points as a tiebreaker for the district tournament standings. Moorhead 2nd the motion. Votes: 4 associations voted for motion and 6 association opposed. Motion did not pass.
 - b) 4 point games- Motion given by Fergus Falls for teams to earn 2 fair play points when they have played a scheduled 4pt game and after playing the game both teams are awarded fair play points. The team that wins would receive 6 pts and the losing team would receive 2 points. Detroit Lakes 2nd the motion. Motion carries.
 - c) Forfeits- Motion given by Wadena for a team that forfeits to another team gets zero points with the winning team that was forfeited on gets 3 points (2 for win, 1 fair play point). Benson 2nd the motion. Motion carries.
 - d) 2 teams at the same level in the same association (ex. 2 PWB team)- Motion given by Wadena for associations to declare at October meeting whether the teams will be playing each other (game must be played by Jan. 1st) at full points (including fair play points) or not playing each other and splitting points (each team gets 2 points each). Detroit Lakes 2nd the motion. Motion carries.
 - e) Game reporting: Motion was given by Wadena that all games must be reported by Monday 10pm for previous 7 days onto the District website. Any points not entered will be lost by the teams. Motion 2nd by Benson. Motion carries.,
 - f)
4. All these new rules will be added to the Handbook by Dennis Bushy and posted on the District 15 Website.

XI. **Voting on positions-**

- A. The current handbook has the specific year listed for voting on new positions. The handbook will be changed so it lists as even years and odd years for the positions. Even years will be: Secretary, Treasurer, Coach Coordinator, and Vice President. Odd years will be President, Tournament Director, and Girls Coordinator. District Director will remain every 3 years.
- B. President- Nomination by Sauk Centre for Carmen Johnson and 2nd by Detroit Lakes. Carmen Johnson accepts nomination and voted as President.
- C. Tournament Director- Nomination by Detroit Lakes for Cyndi young and 2nd by Park Rapids. Cyndi Young accepts nomination and voted as Tournament Director.

- D. Girls Director- Nomination by Brainerd for Chris Robinson and 2nd by Alexandria. Chris Robinson accepts nomination and voted as Girls Director.
- E. District Director- Nomination by Moorhead for Dennis Bushy and 2nd by Detroit Lakes. Dennis Bushy accepts nomination and voted as District Director.
- XII. Motion was given by Brainerd to change the handbook for declarations to be at the fall meeting in October. Motion 2nd by Detroit Lakes. Motion carries.
- XIII. **President's Report:** Reminder for all associations input all coaches and team managers into the Google Doc after the fall meeting.
 - A. New Registrar- Cindy Kunde has resigned. The new registrar is from Thief River Falls. Denny will get contact info to the district.
 - B. District Fees will remain as \$180 per team participating in District play.
 - C. Cyndi Young has agreed to taking on the District 15 website this year.
- XIV. Fall Meeting- October 8th 6pm in Wadena Hockey Arena.
- XV. Motion to adjourn was given by Brainerd and 2nd by Alexandria. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Cyndi Young