



Minnesota Hockey District 3
Monthly Board Meeting – Minutes
Plymouth Community Center
Wednesday, July 10th, 2024

	Executive Committee & Associates			Association Reps	
X	Paul Steenerson	District Director	X	Kevin Pote	ACYHA
X	Mark Brandt	President/Scheduling		Kerry Murphy	Delano Area
	Michelle Jirik	Administrator	X	Chris Carr	Hopkins
X	Josh Hicks	Hockey Operations	X	Mick Mullen	Minneapolis
	Machel Whitmore	Registrar	X	Brad Butler	Mound Westonka
X	Kendra Verbeten	Treasurer	X	Gina Hansen	Orono
X	Neil Olson	BHRA President	X	Nick Rice	OMG
	Matt Olsonoski	BHRA Supervisor	X	Rob Anklam	St Louis Park
X	Mike Anderson	BHRA Scheduler		Andy Nordseth	Wayzata
X	Michele Jirik	Tourney Coord.			
	Chad Wieneke	HP/Tier 1 Program Dir.			
X	Josh Hicks	Coach-in-Chief			
	Tim Przybyski	Disciplinary Chair			
X	Todd Sherner	Girls Coordinator			
	Open Position	Membership Devel.		Guests/Alternates Present:	
	Greg Gibson	JGHSL	X	Michelle Ugureu - Wayzata	
	Todd Larson	JGHSL			
X	Brad Butler	Goalie Coordinator			

Call to order TIME: 7:02PM

July Meeting Minutes:

- Motion to approve: Mick
- Seconded: Gina
- Minutes Approved: YES

District 3 Director Report: Continuing to review rules and regulations - Check the MN Hockey website, MN Hockey meetings last month, Presidents Meeting, Waivers. MN Hockey asked D3 to pilot a program using the intermediate nets for goalies at the squirt/10U level. Discussion was held with board members about this possibility. The President's Meeting went really well and Scott Gray, MN Safe Sport was there as well to

talk about discipline around Safe Sport. Neil Olsen also presented with discussion around how to create better relationships and collaboration with all coaches, players, families and officials. D3 will limit the number of games in the district similar to the squirts games schedule but will depend on the number of teams at the 10U level.

District 3 President Report: Need to make some changes in host for Regional Tournaments. Armstrong Cooper will be hosting the Bantam A Regional and Minneapolis will be hosting the 12A Girls Regional. Will be holding an Ice Scheduler meeting in August, no date set yet. Make sure you get your tournaments confirmed for your teams prior and double check.

District 3 Administrator Report: Need to review and approve rules and regs for the 2024-25 season. Working on updating areas on the website as well as adding things to the calendar on the website. Please review the contact list and update any changes in board positions ASAP. There are several associations that haven't updated anything. If you have anything to add to the calendar please let me know and I will get that added as well. Still learning the ins and outs of the position so thank you for your patience as I continue to learn. Dates are set for the coaches/manager meetings - Oct 21st, 2024 at 7pm for Bantam/15U/12U/PW (all levels) and Nov 11th, 2024 at 7pm for Squirt/10U all levels both meetings at Brooklyn Park Community Center.

District 3 Registrar Report: Please submit your current USA Hockey registration number to me tonight. Please work on your SafeSport and Background Screening if it's your year to screen. Added at 5:45pm - Please email Machel your USA Hockey #'s and will let you know if you need a background screening this year. Also, needs to know available dates from Todd for the registrar's meeting and she will then get a date set soon after that.

District 3 Treasurer Report: Financial statements and budget items are available upon request. Working on getting the finance committee up and running. The committee will comprise of three associations that coincide along with the competition committee association and ask the treasurers of those same associations and it will also be a two year rotation. League fee will be revisited in the coming months. Discussion around putting some of the funds into a high interest account. Rob Anklam proposed a motion to create a proposal to invest and research to move some of our assets into another account. Mick Mullen second and the motion passed unanimously. Suggestions for next year's budget: Goalie development area funds and allocating funds for each location. Potential discussion with D6 about developing B2 and C levels the opportunity to have regional and state tournaments in the near future.

GameSheet Report: Will work with GameSheet and BRHA on how to record behavior for coaches. Working with Colby at GameSheet to get things ready for the new year.

Associates Reports:

Supervisor of Officials: None

Coach in Chief: No Report

Membership and Development: **OPEN POSITION – PLEASE HELP FIND A PERSON FOR THIS POSITION!**

Jr. Gold/JGHSL: No report. Will update JGHSL in August.

Disciplinary Committee: no report

Tier 1/HP Director: All tryouts have been completed and rosters posted for the Tier 1 and Prospects (Tier 2) Walleye teams this upcoming fall. The summer dryland program began this past weekend for these teams. Thanks to the GM's, Coaches, Evaluators and On-Ice Support personnel for their efforts during the tryout process!

Girls Coordinator: Todd Sherner has taken on this role. There is some concern with 15U and how to grow the 19U program. More to come. Challenge OMGHA and Wayzata to have two 15UA teams.

Hockey Operations: Met with Directors from D3- MPLS and A/C. Discussed association Culture and how to build it. Potential for Mite Summit to be hosted by District 3. Discussion regarding Mite Summit and what it entails. Summit would include: CEP coaching program, mite board program, parent meetings. There was discussion of the first generation hockey family as the focus of the Summit. The Summit could possibly have a mite jamboree but majority liked hosting Try Hockey for Free event as an option rather than the jamboree. Would like thoughts and feedback about having a Mite Summit.

Tournament Coordinator: The date is set for the mandatory tournament meeting in Sept. It will be Sept 23rd, 2024 at SLP Rec Center in the Gallery Room starting at 6:30pm. I plan to hold a Regional/State Tournament meeting right after if it is needed.

D3 Association Representatives:

Armstrong Cooper: Our ice scheduler has pretty much locked down our team placement ice times for the upcoming season! Registration will be up and running soon! Raising our fees slightly to help balance our budget. Rink has been filled with our STP skaters this summer which is awesome to see! We think most of our non-parent coaches are returning! We feel we're ready for the hockey season!!!!

Delano: Switch to Crossbar is essentially complete with the opening of registration on 7/8 Board approved Brandon Anderson as our new ACE - replacing Marc Hawkins. DAYHA to host Bantam C and PeeWee C tourneys again this season - registrations are open for both. Footings are being poured at Spirit Park (2nd sheet)!!

Hopkins: HYHA supports the removal of D3 patches from jerseys. Website conversion to Crossbar is forthcoming.

Minneapolis: Planned registration to open August 1st. Refining and analyzing our team levels and number of teams. Working on pricing updates. Working on hi lighting and a celebration of 30 years of women's hockey. Discussed intermediate nets for 10u/squirts.

Mound-Westonka: Association golf tournament next week, registration closed 6/21, association gear swap on 7/20, any association open to discussing possible rainboweared teams at bantam level?

Orono: Registration opened on 7/1. Planning to close on 7/31 for travel except JG and 15U. New website on Crossbar is live. It's different but so far so good and learning. Lots of waiver questions coming through. Working on Flex Roster. Still planning on Bantam B1 (vs B2). In discussion with Mound and our own board on Bantams. Both the Orono Girls and Boys HS Teams will be participating in Hockey Day Minnesota. Boys vs Delano on Friday and Girls vs Northfield on Thursday. Planning on having three 15U teams and only one goalie, looking for goalies at this level.

Osseo Maple Grove: Getting ready to kick off registration soon.

St Louis Park: Still working through implementation of Crossbar on our platform. There will be some delays to our intended date of 7/1 to get our registration open. Looking into options for how to manage a goalie shortfall at our Bantam level. Coaches are lined up on both girls and boys sides. We have been running our Summer of Sundays program for several weeks and feedback is that it has taken a meaningful step forward.

Wayzata: Getting crossbar ready to roll out and start registration. Replaced a few coaches at bantam/peewee/15U/12u.

New Business:

Rules and Regs - Suggestions added to the rules and regulations .doc

- No time outs in exhibition games
- Add to Game Specifics = All coaches must review, verify, and sign the GameSheet before the beginning of the game. In doing this they (coaches) are also agreeing that their players are wearing all required protective equipment (including mouth guards and neck protection) and are ready to play the game. Any official(s) will remove any player from the game if it is noticed that they are not wearing required protective gear. The removal will be recorded on the Game Sheet. The player can return anytime once the required protective gear is put on.

**Motion to approve the rules and regs - Brad, Rob & Chris second

Notes from Orono: From Registrar: When will USA Hockey portal be updated to include 2024-25 season.

Old Business: Bylaws

Adjourn TIME: 8:45pm

- Motion to Approve: Wayzata - Michelle
- Seconded: SLP - Rob