



March 14, 2007

The March meeting of the Minnesota Hockey District 3 Beltline League was held on March 14, 2007, at the Crystal Community Center.

Those present:

John Perry – Director
Mark Brandt – President
Diane Margenau – Administrator
Jim Gates – Supervisor of Officials
John Sparling – President, Beltline Referees
Mike Anderson – Scheduler/Treasurer, Beltline Referees
Dave Nyquist – Secretary – Beltline Referees
Jerry Heinen – D.O.O. D. – Beltline Referees
Sandie Sullivan – S.K.A.T.E. Coordinator
Lynn Brandt – C League Coordinator, Registrar
Gene Ferrel – ACE Coordinator

Representatives:

Mitch Trombley – Tri City
Matt Symoniak – Brooklyn Park
Joe Arko – St. Louis Park
Scott Dornfeld – Armstrong (alt), Tournament Coordinator
Tom Pitra - OMGHA
Mike Tabery - Wayzata
Tim Traff - Blake
Brad Davis - Hopkins

President Brandt called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

REFEREES REPORT – Jim Gates, John Sparling, Mike Anderson reporting. (see attached)

1. Penalty information was distributed and reviewed.
2. Mr. Gates reported that the Region Tournament, hosted by Wayzata, went very well.
3. Proposed referee fee increases will be presented at the May meeting.
4. The annual referee inter-league scrimmage and year end supper will be held on April 7, 2007, 4:30 p.m. at Plymouth Ice Center. Everyone is invited.

MINUTES –

MOTION: Mr. Tabery moved to accept the January, 2007 Minutes as presented.

Mr. Dornfeld seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Mr. Traff moved to accept the February, 2007 Minutes as presented.

Mr. Dornfeld seconded.

Discussion:

1. Mr. Dornfeld noted that the Tournament Coordinator's report had been omitted from the February Minutes. Mrs. Margenau stated that she would make the correction.

The motion carried unanimously.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT – John Perry reporting.

1. Mr. Perry stated that he saw many of the District 3 tournament games. It appeared as though everything went very well. Mr. Perry thanked all the representatives and all the District 3 hockey association members who worked the District 3 tournaments. It was noted that it was because of these volunteers that everything was able to go so smoothly.

2. The Regional Tournaments that were hosted by Wayzata Hockey Association and St. Louis Park Hockey Association also went very well. Thank you to those associations for taking on the extra work.
3. Several District 3 teams will be participating in State Tournaments: Wayzata Junior Gold A, Wayzata Junior Gold B, Wayzata Bantam A, Wayzata Bantam B, Wayzata Peewee A, Wayzata Peewee B Gold, St. Louis Park (Minneapolis Park) Peewee B, OMGHA 12 UB, OMGHA 14 B.
4. Next season, 2007-2008, District 3 will be hosting several post season tournaments for Minnesota Hockey. These are the Peewee A & B Regional and possibly a girl's state tournament. Any association interested in hosting these tournaments will be asked to make a presentation at the May meeting.
5. Advanced 15 tryouts will be starting.
6. There will be a State Minnesota Hockey meeting in April, held in Brooklyn Park.
7. Champlin Park is still undecided as to whether or not they will pursue joining District 3. If any District 3 association has concerns on this, please contact John Perry.
8. Director Perry will be meeting with representatives from St. Louis Park and Southwest Hockey Associations in April to discuss their future joint team involvement with District 3.
9. The Tri City Hockey Association voted 50-10 to merge with the Brooklyn Park Hockey Association beginning in the 2007-2008 season. Brooklyn Park Hockey Association will meet to vote on this later this month before anything final is decided.
10. The Wayzata Squirt A head coach was removed for the remainder of the season due to a violation of the 35 game limit rule.
11. Director Perry is addressing some rule violations involving Brooklyn Park coaches and a recent Tri City tournament.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Mark Brandt reporting.

1. President Brandt thanked everyone again for working so hard on the District 3 tournaments.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Diane Margenau reporting.

1. The District 3 thank you banquet will be held on April 11, 2007 at the Sunshine Factory. Invitations will be sent out.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Diane Margenau reporting. (see attached)

MOTION: Tom Pitra moved to accept the Treasurer's report as presented.
 Mike Tabery seconded.
 The motion carried unanimously.

C LEAGUE – Lynn Brandt reporting.

1. C League Tournament results can be found on the District 3 web-site.
2. Thank you to the Blake Hockey Association for helping Hopkins with the Bantam C tournament.

REGISTRAR'S REPORT – Lynn Brandt reporting.

1. Fees will remain the same for next year.

S.K.A.T.E. – Sandie Sullivan reporting.

1. Ms. Sullivan reported that she will be putting together a binder with information about S.K.A.T.E. She will be happy to send anyone a copy who requests it. She is also available to meet with any association who is interested in participating in S.K.A.T.E.

GIRLS LEAGUE – Kathy Fallen reporting.

1. The girls coordinators will address the issue of 14 A's and B's to examine how the leagues went this year and if some changes are needed. There were teams that stated they were made to play A when they felt they were really a B team.
2. There will be a meeting in late April for association girl's coordinators.
3. Mr. Perry stated that there appears to be a need for a 12 C and 14 C team. There are girls who are starting to play hockey at this level. There is a possibility of having a league at this level with District 6.
4. Hopefully next year District 3 will continue offering a 19 U team with the Osseo-Maple Grove Association and would like to see another association host a 19 U team. It would be good if we can provide girls with a place to play so that they don't have to go to another district.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE – Diane Margenau reporting.

1. One hearing was held in February for a Bantam A player.

TOURNAMENT CHAIRPERSON – Scott Dornfeld reporting.

1. There was a problem this year with invitational tournaments being held at the same time as Regions. This places a strain on the availability of qualified referees. It will be recommended that no invitation tournament be held the same time as regions.

ACE CHAIRPERSON – Gene Ferrel reporting.

1. Mr. Ferrel stated that he has just gotten an idea of what the job involves. As soon as all the associations identify their ACE Coordinators he will be holding a meeting for them all.

MITES – John Perry reporting.

1. Mr. Perry stated that he will try to get the association mite coordinators together to find out how the year went.

NEW BUSINESS –

DISTRICT TOURNAMENTS –

1. Mr. Tabery stated that with the Region tournament being Round Robins, some of our games may not be necessary due to the fact that particular seeds may not need to be identified. Mrs. Margenau said that she will be able to figure this out as soon as the teams and tournament brackets are decided.

MOTION: Scott Dornfeld moved to adjourn the meeting.

Gene Ferrel seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

President Brandt adjourned the meeting at 8:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Diane Margenau – Administrator

*Please note these minutes are not approved and will be subject to a Board vote before becoming part of the permanent record.