

District 5
Meeting Minutes
August 3, 2022
Meeting held at the St. Augusta Legion

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Attendance

- All districts except St.Cloud were in attendance (they will be fined for missing the meeting).

Secretary's Report

Deana posted the minutes from the April 2022 meeting. Lena was not contacted with any changes. These were completed and posted to the D5 website. A motion to approve the meeting minutes was made by Buffalo and seconded by Willmar. There was no discussion. All approved. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Jeff provided a written and oral report. Attached is the written report. There weren't any transactions in the month of July. Reports are showing the balances of the bank accounts. Our fiscal year end was June 30th. Jeff will be gathering all of the documents to work with our CPA for filing the reports. In August we will have HP money coming in and expenses.

- Concerns on finances from last year - should we have charged more or less? We lost about \$5-6k last year. We purchased ipads. Because of the game sheet and the automatic game approval, we did not have any fines to go out for late game sheet submittal. Team cost/rates will be going up this year - about \$125.
- How long are we going to let the unpaid checks sit out there? Jeff will contact them.
- A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Sauk Rapids and seconded by Buffalo. There was no discussion. All approved. Motion carried.
- We operate as the bank for our referees. This way we can pay the refs right away. Plus we also want to build up a catastrophe fund - in case an association needs help (fraud, ice fees...etc.)

Coach in Chief - Aaron Johnson

Aaron Johnson was not present and did not provide a report.

Officials Report - Ryan Szymanski

Ryan was not present and did not provide a report.

- Darren Glur (President of WSOA) and Ryan will reach out to presidents about attending one of their upcoming board meetings. They would like to talk to the board about getting help for recruitment of officials and will be available to answer questions that members might have.

Tournament Coordinator - Nate Wold

- With Nate stepping into the D5 Director's position, we possibly might need a new D5 tournament coordinator. If you are interested in this, please reach out directly to Nate.
- Presidents are aware that we will have some black out weekends. This will also be a part of the scheduling meeting in October.

Girls Coordinator - Kim Monohan

- Working on gathering girls tier information at this time.
- There will be a girls meeting with all of the districts in October to finalize their plans for the upcoming season.

MN Hockey Director's Report - Steve Gapinski

Steve provided a written and oral report. His written report is attached. See below for additional notes on the Directors Report.

- The D5 Presidents meeting was in July. All presidents were in attendance. There will not be a president's meeting in September this year. It will be a normal D5 meeting.
- Gamesheet
 - Each district will be responsible for 25% of the cost this season.
 - Plan is that each coming season we will see a greater percentage each year.
 - Nate is looking to see if he can find a sponsor to help offset the costs.
- Waivers-School and Discretionary
 - All waivers will have to be repapered this season
 - There is a waiver form on the D5 website
 - MN Hockey will be keeping track of the number of waivers statewide to help in data collection in order to determine if MN Hockey rules need to be changed.
- Referee Scheduling
 - Tournaments are scheduled and have been approved - we need to know when it fills up and the status - this allows us to plan and make sure that we have coverage for officials
 - Still many unknowns as to what capacity we will have.
 - Plan is to allow for scrimmages (potential limits per team)
 - With tournaments there may be certain "blackout" weekends where only league games can be scheduled.
 - There will be an increase in the Referee Pricing - we are waiting on the new contract.
- Mite Games
 - Limit of two full ice games at the Mite level this season
 - USA Hockey Rule. MN Hockey is no longer granted an exception to this rule.
 - Time to get creative - use the hard dividers, ¾ ice is okay!
 - Possibly will be one game next year and non the following year
- D5 Registrar
 - Kristin is stepping down
 - Dena Waters is taking the position
 - Coordinator meeting will be August 24th @ 6:30 in STMA
- Hockey Director's Conference

- September 9-11th at the Marriott West Mpls
- Registration deadline is September 5th
- Encourage your Hockey Op's and Development Board Members to attend
- Ice Schedulers
 - Need to send Nate Wold the contact information for the ice scheduler
 - Name, Email, Phone #)
 - Nate Wold: NateWold@yahoo.com
- District Director Position - Steve is stepping down from his District 5 Director's position and Nate Wold, who was voted in by the D5 Board of Directors, will be taking over after today.
 - Steve was elected to MN Hockey VP Maroon Division

Association Updates

- Buffalo
 - Two learn to skate programs over the summer and Little Wild starting this fall.
 - Registration is up and running
 - Ice in Party - Curling Bonspiel, Silent Auction, Live Band, Dinner - Saturday, September 17th
- Hutchinson
 - Had ice all summer - had a couple of kids from UW River Falls come back and some varsity players help with skills for kids
 - Early registration is closed now, late fee if anyone registers after now
 - September pre-season camp for the kids
- LDC
 - Getting a second sheet of ice - the goal is to have ice on it by 11/1 - will only be a practice facility - no bleachers, no locker rooms. The youth association will be renting ice for this facility.
- MML
 - Had ice all summer - just wrapped up their summer skills
 - Registration Open
 - Golf Tournament
- River Lakes
 - Golf Tournament mid August - scramble with breakfast and lunch
 - Registration open
 - 4v4 league starting in September (let the kids have fun before the season starts)
- Sartell
 - 3v3 kicking off here in August - have 280 kids registered for that
 - End of September Bean Bags Fundraiser
 - Registration is open
 - Hired a full time operations position
- Sauk Rapids
 - Roller Hockey in the arena during the summer. Each level had 2 hours each week. HS students were the coaches and ran the drills. Very well perceived at

the younger levels. They left the boards in so there was a barrier. Drills and games. Will develop it further and try again next year.

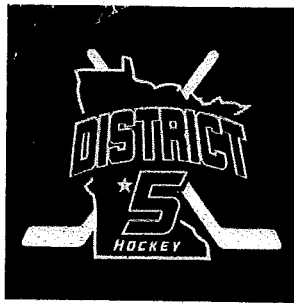
- Registration is open
- St. Cloud - NOT PRESENT
- STMA
 - Registration is open - early this year to help get numbers down
 - Golf Tournament - registration is open. Fun, event on August 19th.
 - Approved to get a new dryland facility built - opened up during the summer and will be a good addition to the teams to have an indoor dryland space during the season (above HTH)
 - Hat Trick Hockey is open
- Willmar
 - Finished up summer ice with 3 camps
 - Pull Tabs started in June - finally got a gambling license

Old Business

- New D5 Board - An invitation will be sent out for the following people
 - Nate Wold - District Director - Serve until April
 - Kevin Mooney - Extended the Opportunity to serve as a 1st VP (applied for the position and had the 2nd most votes in the April 2022 elections)
- Elections for District Director (3 year term), President (2 year term), 1st Vice President (2 year term), Treasurer (2 year term) - April 2023
- Make yourself familiar with the handbook - print a copy
- Levels of Play for 2022-23
 - Final declarations due in October
 - PeeWee B2/C League - come prepared next month to have a discussion about this
 - Need to talk about if we can create a D5 league for this level
 - No playoffs at this level
 - Girls leagues are possible to play in D10 - to get games. Currently we have four teams at 10UA and 12UA. More discussion on this will be at the October Girl's Planning Meeting

New Business

- Next meeting is normally the president's meeting @ 6 PM. No Presidents meeting on September 7th. This will be a normal meeting.
- Meeting is adjourned - 8:13 PM. Hutch and LDC



***Minnesota Hockey District 5
Board Meeting Agenda
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- I. Call to Order/Roll Call/Attendance-Tim Reuter**
- II. Secretary's Report-Lena Gautry**
- III. Treasurer's Report-Jeff Swenson**
- IV. Coach-in-Chief Report-Aaron Johnson**
- V. Official's Report-Ryan Szymanski**
- VI. Tournament Coordinator-**
- VII. Girls Coordinator-Kim Monahan**
- VIII. MN Hockey District Director-Nate Wold**
- IX. ASSOCIATION UPDATE**
Each association representative will share what is happening in their association.
- X. Old Business-**
 - 1. Elections for District Director, President, 1st Vice President and Treasurer-April**
 - 2. Levels of Play for 2022-23**
- XI. New Business-**
 - 1. Executive Board extending invitation to:**
 - (a) Nate Wold to finish District Director term**
 - (b) Kevin Mooney to finish 1st Vice President term**
 - 2. Open Floor**

Next meeting: Wednesday, September 7, 2022, 7:00 p.m., St. Augusta Legion

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10.) District Director Position

- Stepping down as the District 5 Director, elected to MN Hockey V.P. Maroon position.