



May 18, 2011

The March meeting of the District 3 Beltline Hockey League was called to order by President Todd Elmer at 7:05 p.m. at the Crystal Community Center.

Those Present:

Scott Dornfeld – Director
Todd Elmer – President
Diane Margenau - Administrator
Jim Gates – Referee in Chief
John Sparling – President, Beltline Referees
Mike Anderson – Scheduler/Treasurer, Beltline Referees
Gene Ferrel – ACE Coordinator
Amy Johnson – Girls League Coordinator

Representatives:

Steve Knop – Osseo Maple Grove
Greg Gibson – President Wayzata (alt), Metro League
Kevin Conway – President, Armstrong Cooper
Josh LeVoir – Armstrong Cooper
Ron Odash – Mound Westonka (alt)
Mark Smith – Mound Westonka
Rob Rademacher – Crow River
Jim Kruse – President, Crow River
Chad Nicholls – St. Louis Park
Bill Hills – St. Louis Park (retiring rep)
John Greenagel – Orono (alt)
Nancy Lyons – North Metro
Jeff Somers – North Metro Association
Pat Greeley - Hopkins

MINUTES – MOTION: Bill Hills moved to accept the March minutes as presented.
Greg Gibson seconded.
The motion carried unanimously.

Introductions were made.

REFEREES REPORT – Jim Gates, John Sparling, Mike Anderson

1. Mike Anderson reviewed the need to eliminate as many single scheduled league games as possible.
 - A. Mike distributed a list to the associations of their single league games from last season and requested that the representatives take this back to their associations to discuss. These games do not include single 1 ½ hour games.
 - B. Mike would be willing to meet with associations and especially ice schedulers to help them work on their schedules.

DIRECTORS REPORT – Scott Dornfeld

1. Scott showed a USA Hockey video dealing with eliminating checking from peewees. The vote will be taken at the June USA Hockey Summer Congress in June.
 - A. Minnesota Hockey has not yet come to a decision as to how it will vote at the meeting.
2. A brief discussion was held addressing the past season pilot program of 1 ½ minutes minor penalties. Generally it was felt that it didn't solve any issues.
 - A. Junior Gold, Metro League, wants to return to the 2 minute minor penalty guideline.
 - B. Proposed new guidelines may state that the 1 ½ minute minor not be used in games that are 90 minutes or longer.
3. **COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON APPOINTMENTS –**
 - A. There will no longer be a S.K.A.TE. Chairperson
 - B. All Committee Chairpersons will be returning.
 - C. Looking for a C League Assistant Chairperson to help Lynn Brandt.

4. A Director's Award was given to Bill Hills.

PRESIDENTS REPORT – Todd Elmer

MINNESOTA HOCKEY SPRING MEETING –

1. MH may change some policy's regarding paying for hotel room rental for those referees who are working a State Tournament.
2. The Goalie Substitution Form policy will be revised for use at the Region and State level.
3. New policies are being explored for Region and State Tournaments. May adopt an A and AA format. League play would not change.
4. Major changes for CEP certification for coaches from USA Hockey beginning for next season. Complete information can be found on the USA Hockey website.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Diane Margenau

1. D3 monthly meetings will continue to be held on the second Wednesday of each month at the Crystal Community Center beginning at 7:00 p.m. Any changes will be announced in advance.
2. No meeting in July.
3. Diane passed around a sample medal which may replace District Tournament trophy's and medals.
4. An updated D3 Tournament Host Rotation list was distributed. Due to some mistakes the complete rotation wasn't available at this time but the hosts for the 2011-12 season were listed. A complete rotation will be available by the August meeting.

A category has been added on a trial basis. SUPER SUNDAY will be a one site host for Championship games on the last day of the tournament. Some issues still need to be resolved and more information will be forthcoming.

5. "TRY HOCKEY FOR FREE DAY", November 5, 2011, information was distributed. Associations are encouraged to follow through with planning a day at their arena.
6. A preliminary calendar was distributed.

TREASURERS REPORT – Diane Margenau

MOTION: Mark Smith moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.
Chad Nicholls seconded.
The motion carried unanimously.

ASSOCIATION REPORTS –

OSSEO MAPLE GROVE – Steve Knop

1. After some complaints the lines on the Maple Grove West rink were inspected and found to follow code. Therefore they will not be altered in any way.

ARMSTRONG COOPER – Josh Levoir

1. The Armstrong and Cooper High School Girl's Hockey programs will merge beginning with the 2011-12 season.
2. Seven new Board members have been elected.

CROW RIVER – Jim Kruse

1. A new President, Jim Kruse, has been elected.

WAYZATA – Greg Gibson

1. Two Junior Gold players received Metro League Scholarships.
2. Two new members have been elected to the Wayzata Board.
3. Wayzata will be adjusting composition of teams at the traveling level next year. They will be fielding two balanced Squirt A teams and two balanced Peewee A teams. B1 and B2 teams will also have slight changes.

ST. LOUIS PARK – Chad Nicholls

1. Two new board members.
2. St. Louis Park Golf Tournament, July 30, 2011. Information can be found on the St. Louis Park web site

ORONO – John Greenagel

- 1., Orono has elected a new President.

HOPKINS – Pat Greeley

1. Hopkins is concerned that Minnesota Made may field peewee teams with checking if Minnesota Hockey passes the ruling taking checking out of peewees. Hopkins has lost players to Minnesota Made in the past.

NORTH METRO – Nancy Lyons

1. Still looking for new Board members for the upcoming season.

R. & R. – Scott Dornfeld

1. State wide meeting, Sunday, May 22, 2012, in St. Cloud.

GIRLS LEAGUE - Amy Johnson

1. Associations should let me know who their girl’s coordinators will be for next season. The 2010 Coordinators are shown below.

Armstrong Cooper	Anne Winter
Crow River	Rob Rademacher
Hopkins	Peter Gainsley
North Metro	Mike Ach
Orono	Chad Abraham
Osseo Maple Grove	Lance R. Olson
Southwest	Paul Riester
St. Louis Park	Tony Etiennee
Mound Westonka	Tom McGlynn
Washburn	Jean Fox Pearson
Wayzata	Amy Johnson

2. We will be holding a Girl’s coordinator meeting in June with those listed above.

3. The 8U Program finished strong with 15 associations participating in the 5 v 5 part of the season as shown below. I would like to encourage more associations to participate in the cross-ice part of the program. This would help strengthen the overall program for girls. As it was, we only had 8 teams, 4 of which were from Wayzata. Concern that this part of the league would fold if a team like Wayzata were to not participate.

Association	5 v 5 Events
Armstrong Coocer	1
Crow River	Cross ice scrimmage
Hopkins	1
Mound Westonka	1
Orono	2
Osseo Maple Grove	3
Storm	3
Wayzata	4
GRAND TOTAL	15

We will be holding an 8U Program review meeting in June.

4. There is a lot of concern regarding the status of 14U teams given the difficulties that happened this year. The status of 14 UB seems most at risk.

5. I have been asked to inform MN Hockey that removing checking from Peewee hockey will/may devastate 12U hockey in MN. If checking is removed from Peewee hockey, I anticipate a lot of the top 12UA level players will play Boys hockey and then move on to high school

ACE COORDINATOR – Gene Ferrel

1. Hopefully all of this year's association ACE Coordinator's will be returning for the upcoming season. Please forward to me any new association ACE Coordinators.
2. Attended the State Bantam A Tournament. Very impressed with everything.
3. Spring state wide ACE Coordinators meeting postponed until June. It will probably be held during the MN Hockey Summer meeting.

NEW BUSINESS –

ADMINISTRATOR'S CONTRACT RENEWAL –

MOTION: Greg Gibson moved to renew the Administrator's Contract for the 2011-2012 season with a pay increase of 5%.
Steve Knop seconded.
Motion carried unanimously.

REGION AND STATE 2012 TOURNAMENT HOSTS

1. Wayzata, Osseo Maple Grove and St. Louis Park stated that they would be interested in hosting a Minnesota Hockey post season tournament. A private ballot was conducted.

Osseo Maple Grove will be hosting the Bantam A & B 2012 East Regional Tournaments.

Wayzata will be hosting the Junior Gold A and 16 U State Tournaments.

MOTION: Steve Knop moved to adjourn the meeting.
Jim Gates seconded.
The motion carried unanimously

President Elmer adjourned the meeting at 9:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Diane Margenau – Administrator

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