



**Minnesota USA Hockey District
Annual Meeting
Sunday, April 25, 2010
Marriott Minneapolis West**

President Green called the meeting to order at 12:40.

Roll call was taken and the following voting members were in attendance:

Chairman Green	Director Margenau	Director DeMeo
Director Tearse	Risk Manager Kruger	Registrar Carlson
Referee-in-Chief Tatro	ACE Coordinator Evavold	Girls'/Women's Rep Olson
Disabled Hockey Boelter		

Minnesota Hockey Inc. Directors

Director Mickus	Director Nagan	Director Dornfeld
Director Jacobs	Director Kephart	Director Hewitt
Director Rakness	Director Timm	Director Hill
Director Oleheiser	Director Bushy	Director Elliott
Director Breu	Director Welles	Director Swenson

25 present and a simple majority is 13 votes; 2/3 majority is 17

Chair Report

Nothing at this time but will have a report after the USAH Annual Congress in June.

Legislative issues will be voted on in June at the USAH Annual Congress so if you have issues please contact the board with any concerns. Director Swenson asked that Minnesota vote against the Adult position to not allow the 15 month registration for first time registrants.

USA Hockey District Reports

Coach-in-Chief report stands as submitted

District Directors

Green – will be contact Dave Klasnick regarding the Pilot Project and will get back to Greg Nagan. Greg will go to Annual Congress to be co-presenter.

DeMeo – the bid proposal for the IIHF Women's World tournament but it will compete with another event in Duluth. St. Paul Visitors Bureau in conjunction with Bloomington Visitors Bureau and Xcel submitted bids for the Women's World Championships.

Tearse – Finance Committee working on annual audits for affiliates. Expecting a 4 million dollar windfall to go directly into the Foundation but not definite at this time.

Margenau – no report

Old Business

Rules Committee Chair Bob Halverson presented a proposal that clarifies how Minnesota District elections are to be conducted where voting is weighted by participants. In cases where there are multiple positions and multiple candidates (2 positions, three candidates, vote for two), it will be clear that the maximum number of votes that can be cast for any one candidate cannot exceed the voter's actual membership total. For example, if a voter has 5,000 votes and is voting for two candidates, he/she can cast 5,000-5,000 to two candidates, 5,000-3,000-2,000 to three candidates, or 4,000-3,000-3,000 to three candidates, etc., but *cannot* cast 10,000 votes to one candidate, 7,000-3,000 to two candidates, 6,000-3,000-1,000 to three candidates, etc.

The proposed ruling reads as follows:

Minnesota District USA Hockey Directors shall be elected at the Spring meeting. The number of directors is determined by USA Hockey rules. The votes will be cast by representatives of the affiliate, and the affiliate will determine the representatives that will cast votes. The USA Hockey Minnesota District Registrar will determine the number of votes that each designated representative will cast. Directors will be elected to a three year term. A vacancy can be filled at either the fall or spring meeting or at a special meeting called for that purpose. In the event that two or more Directors are being elected, there shall be one election in which each voting member casts vote(s) according to the number of Directors being elected (i.e. two Director openings, three candidates, vote for two; **only the actual membership total of votes may be cast for any one individual**) with the successful candidates being those receiving the most votes and at least a simple majority of the votes cast. In a situation where multiple positions are being elected and not all of the positions are filled on the first ballot, any candidate receiving a simple majority is elected and a subsequent election shall take place among the remaining candidates. If none of the candidates have a simple majority, the candidate receiving the least votes shall be dropped and the position re-voted. If more than one new director is being elected, seniority will be ordered by the number of votes with the one elected first or receiving the most votes being the most senior director, etc.

No objection on proposal from Rules Committee - open for discussion. **M1 carried unanimously.**

Bruce Kruger spoke to high risk events such as the father-son games. These events are high risk events and coverage could be in question. Also keep extra kids off the ice when teams are practicing.

Dave Meisner addressed the Coaches Code of Conduct that is complete and will most likely be voted on at the Annual Congress. Dave will send copies to the MN Directors so that implementation can be worked on now.

There was discussion as to whether or not all MN Directors are members of the USA Hockey MN District board and therefore allowed to vote on issues before the USA Hockey District board. Gerry Brown, former USA Hockey Minnesota District Registrar, clarified that the District Directors cast votes by the number of members in their District for the USAH MN District Directors. The individuals that actually vote on issues before the board are the USAH MN District Directors, District Registrar, District Risk Manager, District Coach-in-Chief, District Referee-in-Chief and the affiliate president of Minnesota Hockey.

Motion to adjourn at 1:00; Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted

Carol Carlson
Recording Secretary

I have reviewed the above Minutes and confirm that they represent the proceedings of this meeting of the USA Hockey Minnesota District Board of Directors, held on the 25th day of April, 2010

***Gerald R. DeMeo,
Acting Secretary-Treasurer
Minnesota Hockey, Inc***