



**2018 District 15 Winter Meeting  
Wednesday, February 7th, 2018 at 6:00pm,  
Wellness Center, Wadena, MN**

- I. **Meeting called to order at 6:00pm** by Dennis Bushy.
- II. **Secretary Report**
  - a. Roll Call- The following associations were present at roll call: Alexandria, Brainerd, Northern Lakes, Detroit Lakes, Fergus Falls, Little Falls, Moorhead, Morris/ Benson, Park Rapids, Prairie Centre, Wadena, and Walker.
- III. **Approval of Fall Meeting Minutes**- Motion to approve the Fall Meeting Minutes given by Detroit Lakes. Park Rapids 2nd the motion. Motion carries.
- IV. **Treasurer's Report**- Report Emailed. "The checking account has a balance as of today of \$11,704.37. There are two district dues checks that I have not gotten in the bank yet.
  - a. At the last meeting it was approved to donate \$250 to the sled hockey however, I never heard back from the lady who needed to give me an address, so we did not do the donation, Carmen and Dennis were both on the email string and to my knowledge neither of them heard back either." Dennis will get that information to Melissa.
  - b. D16 did give us \$500.00 to help with the \$1500.00 stipend that was approved by Dennis and Carmen for the two coaches.
  - c. Since our last meeting the account activity:
    - i. Deposits: \$9500 Tier 1 team dues
    - ii. \$500 D16 coach stipend assist
    - iii. \$9090 D15 team dues
    - iv. Checks: \$47.50 for room rent
    - v. \$10,649.42 Tier 1 (coaches, hotel/food/mileage reimb,Tier 1 fees)
    - vi. We paid the full ice rental bill of \$1186.66 on the bill our portion was 1008.66 and Dennis told me to pay the bill in full and D16 would reimburse the \$178 difference, we have not received this.
    - vii. \$20.17 website fee
    - viii. Recurring transfers to savings: \$400.00, Service fees: \$6.00
    - ix. Motion to approve the Treasurer's report was given by Alexandria. Park Rapids 2nd the motion. Motion carries.
- V. **Director's Reports**
  - a. District Director- Denny Bushy- Denny attended the Annual winter meeting in January. Next fall when teams have Try-Outs in October please look at the Tier 1 Fall Schedule and try to work around that schedule. Tier 1 ends the 1st weekend of

October. Last year, several kids had to miss the last weekend of Tier 1 due to Try-Outs for their own association. We would like to avoid this in the fall of 2018.

- i. Squirt Development- Squirts are allowed a Max. of 30 games, this includes scrimmages. Teams may go beyond the 30 games or scrimmages at the District Tournament or Squirt International Tournament. For example, the last game before District Tournament is game #30. Games #31 and 32 are part of the District tournament which is acceptable. If an association goes over 30 games prior to the District Tournament or the Squirt International Tournament, then Denny will make them only play 25 games the next season.
  - ii. Equal Ice time for Squirt levels: There will be language added in the MN Hockey Handbook this coming season that states there will be equal playing time for all Squirt teams until the last 5 minutes of the game.
  - iii. Tobacco- No tobacco use of any kind is allowed on the bench.
  - iv. Coaches screening- If coaches had some difficulties with getting their results back on time, encourage coaches to get their screenings done early.
  - v. District League Standings- At the May meeting, there will be discussion on when games should be completed for District play. There are too many games left to be played the weekend before the District tournament which makes deciding the final standings impossible.
- b. Tournament Director's Report- Cyndi Young
- i. District Tournaments
    1. Review & Approve Brackets- Brackets were reviewed and changes were made. Motion to approve the District 15 Tournament Brackets was given by Brainerd. Alexandria 2nd the motion. Motion carries.
    2. Tournament Hosts review & approve game times- This was completed prior to the District meeting via email with Cyndi and the hosts.
    3. Final Seedings on brackets- This will be posted on the website by Monday due to many games that affect seedings that need to be played this coming weekend.
  - ii. Tournament Operations
    1. Problems contact Denny- Cell # - 701-361-7984
    2. Results- Team managers or selected personnel will be updating the Google Docs for each tournament.
- c. Coach's Director- Andy Shriver- Report emailed. "The only thing that I have is a request for each association to text me the contact info for their Hockey Director and/or head of Player Development (if they have both). I have some information to disseminate to them and would like to create the network of District 15 Hockey Directors to do so soon.
- i. In other D15 Coaching news- Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 clinics were offered in Moorhead, Alexandria and Brainerd this past Fall/Winter, with additional ADM-type sessions also conducted in Detroit Lakes and Brainerd."
  - ii. HP- 14's, 15's- Tryouts Sunday March 18 & 25- Wadena
    1. Need coaches to help for the teams, get them in touch with Denny, don't hold back any B team players
    2. Denny looking for coaches for Tier 1- tryouts in August and games in Sept. Would like to do District 15 team if possible
- d. Director of Officials Report- John- Incident reports- 668 total in state of MN
- i. District 15- incident report numbers are down from past years.

- ii. District 15 hosting 3 regional tournaments- John is working on scheduling refs for the tournaments.
- iii. MHOA camps- If officials who would like to go to the camps the application form is on the MN Hockey website. The camp will be in St. Cloud.
- iv. Bantam District tournament- After Discussion it was decided that Bantam District tournaments will use the 3-man ref system.
- v. Little Falls Bantam A question- LF goalie is a diabetic. If he needs treatment could a back-up goalie fill in? The answer is yes, (Pg. 25 of MN Hockey Handbook) but he must return when he is no longer needing treatment.
- e. Girls Director Report- Chris Robinson- Girls HP 14 & 15 tryouts will be in Wadena. Encourage all the Girls to come try out.
  - i. Motion to pay \$350 for HP boys and girls programs at each age for extra ice time was given by Alexandria. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brainerd. Motion carries.
  - ii. Fall Tier 1- There will be 1 team from District 15 and 16 combined.

- VI. **Derek Riche- MN Hockey**- April 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> is the Leadership Conference in St. Louis Park. There is a block for District 15 at Marriott West Motel. It is highly recommended that each association send 1 person to conference and preferably send 2 or 3 people to go. There hasn't been the best participation from District 15 and Derek is requesting better attendance. Suggestions would be for associations to provide attendees with a travel subsidy \$50/ person and provide a couple of meals.
- a. Hockey Director Program Conference- Sept. 7-9 (Fri-Sun). Let your hockey directors or coach coordinators know about the program
  - b. Still looking for a hockey director for District 15

- VII. **President's Report- Carmen Johnson**- Please help encourage your teams to get all their scores in right away after their games are done this weekend so we may complete the standings as soon as possible.

- VIII. **Spring/ Summer Meeting Date**- Sunday May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 6:00pm at the Wellness Center in Wadena, MN.
- a. Agenda item for next meeting:
    - i. Spring 2018 Elections

- IX. **New Business**- No new business.

- X. **Adjourn**- Motion to adjourn was given by Alexandria. Fergus Falls 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.