



October 13, 2010

The October meeting of the District 3 Beltline Hockey League was called to order by President Todd Elmer at 7:09 p.m.

Those Present:

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

Representatives:

Carrie Starry – Wayzata
Tina Eskro – North Metro
John Hoffman – Hopkins (alt)
Bill Hills – St. Louis Park
Mark Smith – Mound Westonka
Steve Seitz – Washburn-Southwest

MINUTES –

MOTION: Mark Smith moved to accept the September Minutes as presented.

Bill Hills seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

REFEREES REPORT – Jim Gates, John Sparling,

1. All Beltline referee clinics are now completed. About 160 referees attended.
2. Approximately 85 referee evaluations were accomplished during the Fall League season.
3. Associations were reminded that a score sheet must be used for all try out scrimmages.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Scott Dornfeld

MH STATE MEETING –

1. There will be no age changes for this year.
2. The new Locker Room policy will be enforced at all levels.
3. “Defending The Blue Line” – an organization comprised of military personnel who are helping to fund hockey for the children of active military people. If interested in more information contact Mike Snee at MH.
4. Thank you to North Metro, Armstrong Cooper, Orono, Wayzata and St. Louis Park Hockey Associations for supplying ice for the MH recreation league.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Todd Elmer

1. Attended the mite organizational meeting last week.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Diane Margenau

1. Will be playing a blended league with the 12 UA's and 14UA's from District 5. D3 will be administrating the 12A League and D5 will be administrating the 14A league.

The 12A league, comprised of 6 teams from each District, will play a total of 16 league games. D5 teams will play a Home and Home schedule with D5 teams. D3 will play a Home and Home schedule with D3 teams. Each team will also play one cross over game with all teams from the other District. All games will count toward the league standing.

ASSOCIATION REPORTS –

NORTH METRO – Tina Eskro

1. Steve Dehmer has been replaced as D3 rep from North Metro by Tina Eskro.

WAYZATA – Carrie Starry

1. Try outs almost complete.
2. May add a 10UB team. Depends on numbers.

ST. LOUIS PARK – Bill Hills

1. Try outs going on now.
2. 14UB team is a rainbow team with Hopkins.

WASHBURN/SOUTHWEST – Steve Seitz

1. Try outs going on now.

MOUND WESTONKA – Mark Smith

1. Due to low numbers the Bantam A team became a Bantam B1 team.

C LEAGUE COORDINATOR’S REPORT – Scott Dornfeld reporting for Lynn Brandt

1. Squirts – 9 teams; Peewees – 8 teams; Bantams – 9 teams.

GIRLS LEAGUE COORDINATOR’S REPORT – Amy Johnson

1. The Girl’s State Coordinator’s meeting was held on Sunday, Oct 4th in St. Cloud

It was reported that state-wide, we are down 16 teams as compared to the declarations made last year.

District 3 will be hosting our own league at the **U10A** (7 teams), **U10B** (11 teams) and **U12B** (12 teams) levels.

At the **U14B level**, there will be a North and a South league. The North League will be administered by District 3 and consist of 10 teams.

There are currently 7-teams at the **U19B level**. (Centennial, OMGHA, White Bear Lake, Wayzata, Edina (2 teams), Cottage Grove). The league will be administered by District 6. The State Tournament will be hosted by District 3 and be held at St. Louis Park.

At the U12A and U14A levels, we will be working with District 5 as indicated

12UA: District 3 and 5 each have 6 teams, total of 12 teams. Each team will play Two (2) In-District Games with each team in District and One (1) Cross-District games with each team in the other District. Cross-District Games will consist of 3 home and 3 away for each team. District 3 will be administering this league in cooperation with District 5.

14UA: District 3 has 4 teams; District 5 has 7 teams, for a total of 11 teams. For Cross-District Games, District 5 will have 2 home and 2 away games vs. D3. For D3, they will be unbalanced. Two teams will have 4 home and 3 away; two teams will have 3 home and 4 away. District 5 will be administering this league.

Each District will host their own District playoffs. Regional seeds will be decided first based on finish in the District playoffs. There will be inter-District play-offs where it is required. The District Directors will determine how best to allocate the Regional seeds once they are determined at the State Level.

The District Directors (5 and 3) will decide if cross-games will be included in District standings and game rules for cross-district games.

2. Team reporting

District 3 Girls Teams 2010-2011										
Association		8U	10U	10U	12U	12U	14U	14U	19U	
			A	B	A	B	A	B		
Armstrong/Cooper	6	1	1	1	1	2				10/11
	4	1		1	1	1				09/10
Crow River	4	1	1	1				1		10/11
		1		1		1				09/10
Hopkins	2	1	1							10/11
	3			1	1	1				09/10
Mound Westonka	5	1		1	1	1	1			10/11
		1		1	1	1				09/10
North Metro	3			1		1	1			10/11
	3			1		1	1			09/10
Orono	6	2	1	1	1	1				10/11
	7	2	1	1	1	1		1		09/10
Osseo Maple Grove	13	3	1	2	1	3	1	1	1	10/11
	13	3	1	3	1	2	1	1	1	09/10
SLP, SW, Wash, (Mpls Storm)	10	4	1	2	1	1		1		10/11
	7	1	1	2	1	1		1		09/10
Wayzata	14	3	1	2	1	3	1	2	1	10/11
	12	3	1	2	1	3	1	1		09/10
Totals	60	16	7	11	6	12	4	5	2	10/11
	49	12	4	13	7	12	3	4	1	09/10
Notes:										
U8: Hopkins is considering playing in Pond Hockey part, STORM may have 3-4 teams										
U12: Crow River will co-op with Mound (lead). Hopkins will rainbow with A/C										
U14: Hopkins will co-op with STORM at U14B										
Mound Westonka will rainbow with Orono; One player from A/C will play for Wayzata										
Crow River will co-op with Buffalo (lead)										

- North Metro is looking for U14A Players
- STORM may have one more U12B (?)

3. A U8 League Organizational meeting will be held Thursday, Oct 14th at PIC – Blue Line Room at 7pm. We will plan the season and Schedule Pond Hockey Events (?)
 Commitments to date are Orono: December 11th 12:30 – 2:30pm; OMGHA: 3 hrs after January 1st., Wayzata – In process

Teams have indicated interest in league participation:

- Armstrong/Cooper 1
- Crow River 1 (Cross-ice only, Preferably after Jan 1)
- Hopkins 1
- Mound Westonka 1 (5v5 only)
- Orono 2
- OMGHA 3
- SLP, SW, Wash, 4 (?)
- Wayzata 3
- Totals 16

TOURNAMENT COORDINATOR’S REPORT – Scott Dornfeld reporting for Kelly Bonner

1. All invitational tournament brackets must be submitted to Mike Anderson for referee scheduling a minimum of 6 weeks prior to the tournament.

ACE COORDINATOR'S REPORT – Gene Ferrel

1. A State wide meeting was held recently.
2. All CEP clinics are listed on the USA Hockey web site.
3. Gene will be attending the Coaches/Managers meetings to discuss the new locker room policies.
4. Saturday, November 11, 2010, Guy Gosselin, from USA Hockey, will be conducting an ADM clinic for District 3. This clinic will be open to Presidents, Traveling Directors, Program instructors and anyone interested in implementing the ADM skill style for their association. The clinic will be 2 hours of classroom and one hour of ice. Time and location will be announced at a later date.

RECRUITING AND RETENTION COORDINATOR – Scott Dornfeld

1. A meeting for all coordinators was held in September.
2. All Associations are encouraged to participate, in some way, in the Minnesota Hockey Week –End, February 11 – 13, 2011. Suggestions included:
 - A. Players wear their jerseys to school on Friday.
 - B. Learn to skate programs
 - C. Free open skating with high school players
3. Monetary awards available to associations from the R & R Committee for best recruiting or retention ideas. Ideas should be written and submitted to Minnesota Hockey.

NEW BUSINESS –

2010-2011 LEAGUE FORMAT –

1. Diane Margenau began by stating that she has received 2 inquiries asking why several of the leagues were only having a single round of league games. Briefly she repeated the history that contributed to this decision.
 - A. Concern over too many league games has been discussed at the D3 meetings for several seasons. With the addition of new associations to D3 the number of league games continued to increase, especially at the B levels.
 - B. Unbalanced strength in leagues.
 - C. Difficulty for ice schedulers to accommodate growing number of league games.
2. This decision, was discussed several times, over the past several seasons at the D3 monthly meetings. A special Executive Board meeting was held this past August. Options were discussed and a final recommendation for the Board was made.
3. At the August D3 Board meeting the 2010-2011 season format was proposed and a vote was taken and passed to accept the single round of league games in leagues where the number of teams exceeded 12.
4. League format can be changed on a yearly basis.
5. A brief discussion period followed where associations stated whether they were in favor of this year's format.

MOTION: Mark Smith moved to adjourn the meeting.
Bill Hills seconded.
The motion carried unanimously.

President Elmer adjourned the meeting at 8:43 pm.

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.

