



**Minnesota Hockey District 3  
Monthly Board Meeting – Minutes  
PIC  
Wednesday, June 8, 2022**

Executive Committee & Associates		Association Reps	
x	Paul Steenerson District Director	x	Kevin Pote ACYHA
x	Mark Brandt President/Scheduling	x	Kristi Duis Delano Area
x	Shelly Johnson Administrator		Bob Larson Hopkins
	Cheryl Myers Data Mgmt/Tech.	x	Peter Nelson Minneapolis
x	Machel Whitmore Registrar		Brad Butler Mound Westonka
x	Neil Olson BHRA President	x	Kity Marinac North Metro
	Matt Olsonoski BHRA Supervisor	x	Tim Becker Orono
x	Mike Anderson BHRA Scheduler		Steve Fischer OMG
x	Michelle Jirik Tourney Coord.	x	Rob Anklam St Louis Park
x	KV-Girls/SJ-Boys HP/Tier 1	x	Andy Nordseth Wayzata
	Josh Hicks Coach-in-Chief		
	Tim Przybyski Disciplinary Comm. Chair		
	Jeff Luke Girls Coordinator		
	Diane Margenau Membership Devel.		<b>Guests/Alternates Present:</b>
x	Greg Gibson JGHSL	x	Matt Lichty- Hopkins
	Todd Larson JGHSL	x	Colin Steen - OMG
	Bill Robeck Hockey Operations		

**Call to order TIME:** 7:01pm

March Minutes: Motion to approve: Peter Seconded: Kity, minutes approved

**District 3 Director Report-** Hosted D3 Presidents on June 1 -went very well. Copy of Power Point from Presidents' meeting shared with board members. Interest in having that meeting a couple times a year and maybe a VP meeting. Also discussed district wide goalie clinics. Competition Committee Met to discuss preliminary team declarations. Peter taking back info and discussion items to squirt committee. Currently reading through job descriptions  
Currently updating the D3 Handbook  
Will need to vote for girls' proposal at the June 24-25 Girls League meeting. Jeff Luke will be attending the meeting.  
District Calendar being worked on with dates listed within the presidents' presentation.  
Tuesday July 12 MN Hockey Golf Benefit.

**District 3 President Report-** Working with other Board Members to set up the upcoming season.

Discussion about scheduling only 1 away and 1 home team for league games. Leagues that have fewer teams will then have more options to play outside D3 and have more balanced competition versus playing same D3 teams multiple times. Will vote on this at July meeting. Talk to your associations.

**District 3 Administrator Report:** I think *nearly* everything has been added to the D3 2022-23 season calendar. Will set up logistics for coach and manager meetings once dates locked. Zoom subscription changed to annual -saving about \$350 this year.

**District 3 Accounting Report:** Need ice bills from Delano, Wayata, Mound Westonka and St Louis Park. Will be only making minor changes for next year to make couple things more realistic (no storage fees anymore and increase registrar dinner budget). Will send out to reps, plan to vote on budget at July meeting.

**District 3 Accounting Report: Associates Reports:**

- Supervisor of Officials: no report
- Coach in Chief: Attended USA Hockey Coach Developer Training in Minneapolis with Connor Clark. CEP structure to remain primarily on line, with limited in person clinics being offered.
- Membership and Development: No report
- Jr Gold: JGHSL Avario & Team Declaration Timeline (see document)  
\*JGHSL Survey of Pilot 12 Team JGB State Tournament. Was not approved to expand JGB state tourney. Positive is teams would see more games and more teams involved. Need to continue the conversation.
- Girls League Coordinator: I attended a MN Hockey Girls Committee meeting that reviewed the following proposal: Suggested Two-Year Pilot Program: Using the current age classifications of (8U, 10U, 12U, 15U and 19U) offer exceptions for those associations or co-ops not offering a 15U program. The exception would allow 13-year-olds to play down at the 12U level with these requirements: • The team would follow the 2/3 -1/3 age-appropriate rule. No more than 1/3 of the team could be comprised of 13-year-old players. • All teams with 13-year-old players must participate at the 12U-A level. This exception would also apply to 16-year-olds who want to play down at 15U. The pilot was approved in principle by most districts and will be voted on at the June MN Hockey meeting.
- Disciplinary Committee: nothing to report
- Tournament Coordinator: *Mark your calendars Sept 12th at the PIC at 7pm will be the mandatory tournament meeting. Your tournament coordinator is the one that should be in attendance. If they are not able to attend, the D3 Rep or president should be attending. Reps,*

please send me your tournament coordinator email and name before the July meeting. I will send out a reminder as well. –

Here is what I have so far for invitational tournaments: Wayzata - Wayzata Sniper Classic (Nov 10-13), Wayzata Fire On Ice (Dec 2-4), Wayzata Freeze (Jan 6-8), Jr. Gold H.S. (Jan 13-15), Wayzata Classic (Jan 20-22)

North Metro - MLK and possibly Thanksgiving

Minneapolis - Minneapolis Cup (November 2022), Winter Storm (January 2023)

Armstrong Cooper - New Classic Dec 2-4, Knockdown at New hope Jan 20-22, New Hope Invitational Feb 3-5

Mound Westonka - NONE

Have not heard from the following: OMGHA - SLP - Delano - Orono - Hopkins

If you are hosting an invitational tournament, please get these to me tonight or within the next few weeks. It will really help plan out the season for the refs.

- Social Media/Website: no report
- HP/Tier 1: Boys-Registration numbers looking good for tryouts (approx. 85 for 14s and 45 for 15s). Planning underway for Tier 1 "pre season" off-ice development -keeping D3 at the top for program offerings. Girls at 49 registered, first year of a Prospect team.
- Registrar: Will be scheduling beginning of the season meeting and let everyone know. All D3 board members need to be registered with USA Hockey, do background check and do SafeSport. Association reps should be reimbursed for any fees by their association and other D3 board members reimbursed by D3.
- Hockey Operations: Met with Josh Hicks to discuss opportunities for D3 Coaching and Hockey Operations to provide programming & resources for D3 Associations. More to come. In process of setting up a Mite Summit for D3 Associations where we host Level 1 coaching clinic and presentations to new hockey parents and coaches. Look for date in late October 2022. Please discuss Model Association with your boards -- info found here:  
<https://www.minnesotahockey.org/page/show/4556903-minnesota-model-association-program>. Would believe most of our associations fit the criteria and there are financial incentives once applications are completed and submitted, I am happy to assist your associations with anything they may need working through this process. Hockey Director conference was announced yesterday via MN Hockey website - Sep 9-11 @ Marriott Mpls West in St Louis Park. Hopeful to see Hockey Directors and Hockey Ops staff from each of our associations at this meeting in the fall. Please share with your boards. Please email me an update with the Name, email, and phone # of your hockey director so I'm in tune with any changes that have taken place.

Kendra added there will be an all-female CEP class for levels 1,2,3 Sept 24-25. More info will follow.

### **D3 Association Representatives:**

#### Armstrong Cooper:

With our HDC meeting on Sunday night, it was decided we'd like to run 2 B1 teams at the Squirt level. The reasoning being we have only 5 returning B1 players from last year's team and NO returning goalie at the entire Squirt level. If we have to have a Squirt A Team, we then would have no B1, 2 B2s, and 2 Cs. If we have an A team...Yes, we'd like to play W and MG but the vast majority of district games would be against like competition and they go play the higher SQA teams around the metro area. Also hoping for a decision to be made somewhat quickly too as we are finding tournaments for all of our traveling teams. Changes would have to be made if we change our team allocation at the squirt level. Still 3 teams at both PeeWees and Bantams: A, B1, and C

Delano: Rink re-insulation project is nearing completion, STP starts next week (ice is going in this week), looking for coaches for all levels, registration scheduled to start in early August

Hopkins: Getting new board members up to speed on responsibilities. Summer clinics starting soon. Working on additional improvements to Pavilion. Hockey Development Committee working coaching/development plans for upcoming year.

Minneapolis: Team numbers and levels to be re-visited at Age Level committee meetings in June and early July - so far, no changes to what was originally submitted. Looking for any tips or suggestions from associations that have used TeamGenius for evaluations.

Mound-Westonka: Finalizing budgets, Westonka golf event- July 11th at Burl Oaks, Summer training programs started this week, looking at moving tryout dates for travel teams to start season earlier this fall

North Metro: North Metro will be hosting the following tournaments Dec 16th-18th, 2022 NM Pirate Classic Squirt C and B2 level Jan 13th-15th, 2023 MLK tournament Bantam B level, Peewee B2, Peewee C.

Orono: We would like to discuss squirt leveling to achieve greater competitiveness and a better experience for all squirt teams in the district.

Osseo Maple Grove: Planning is in motion for the remodel and expansion of Maple Grove Community Center. New 3rd sheet of ice is dependent on a LOST tax vote at the November election. If vote fails, alternative plan/improvements will be considered to existing facility. \*All new board position are filled. Committees are planning for new season. Only change to the Executive Committee is Jason Rogowski who is taking over for Colin Steen as VP of Boys traveling. We also added a position for Director of Culture and Inclusion, that is Nicole

Hurt. OMGHA is now implementing "Team Genius" across all levels for our traveling tryouts.

Might be looking at mite house league.

\*We anticipate our Bantams, PW, 15U and 12U teams being formed by Oct.15th. \*Feedback from June 1 President's meeting: -Not supportive of Mites playing out of district games -Supportive of increased penalties for playing league games without officials and abuse of officials, but not supportive of the fines. -Not supportive for the proposal for No goalie substitutes for Squirts/U10s. We feel it would create more bad experiences than good.

\*Submitting our 2022-23 Team declarations here again so all associations can review. Boys: • Squirt - 11 Teams A:2, B1:3, B2:3, C:3 • PeeWee – 9 Teams AA:1, A:1, B1:2, B2:3, C:2 (considering B2:2, C:3) • Bantam – 9 Teams AA:1, A:1, B1:2, B2:2, C:3 • Junior Gold – 3 Teams A:1, B:1, U16:1 Girls: •U15 - 15A, 15B, 15B Roster size depends on HS departures, but expect 13-15 skaters and 1-2 goalies per team •U12 - U12A, U12B1, U12B2, U12B2 Roster size of 14-15 and 1 goalie per team •U10 - U10A, U10B1, U10B1, U10B2, U10B2 Roster size of 12-13 per team and 1-2 goalies per team

St Louis Park: SLPHA hosted its annual meeting on Monday 6/6/22. We had several new board members voted in. Rob Anklam has become the new D3 Rep and will start attending the D3 board meetings starting 6/8/22. Summer programs hosted by the association have started. Piloting a program to not have squirt tryouts and set teams start of league play-more of an extended clinic program.

Wayzata: Want to implement a parent code of conduct. Looking at examples.

**Old Business:** REMINDER TO GET BLACK OUT DATES YOUR ASSOCIATION WANTS TO YOUR ICE SCHEDULER!

**New Business:** ACYHA needs a goalie at 12U (B1)

**Adjourn TIME:** 8:29 Motion: Andy Seconded: Matt  
Meeting adjourned.