



March 12, 2008

The monthly meeting of the Minnesota Hockey District 3 Beltline League was held on March 12, 2008, at the Crystal Community Center.

Those present:

John Perry – Director
Mark Brandt – President
Diane Margenau – Administrator
Jim Gates – Supervisor of Officials
John Sparling – President, Beltline Officials
Mike Anderson – Scheduler/Treasurer, Beltline Officials
Scott Dornfeld – Tournament Coordinator/ Armstrong alt.
Sandie Sullivan – S.K.A.T.E. Coordinator
Gene Ferrel – ACE Coordinator
Dave Margenau – MH Vice President

Representative:

Tony Cleveland - Orono
Greg Erickson - Cooper
Tom Pitra – Osseo/Maple Grove
Tim Traff - Blake
Mike Tabery - Wayzata
Brad Davis - Hopkins

President Brandt called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

MINUTES –

MOTION: Tim Traff moved to accept the February 2008 Minutes as presented.

Mike Tabery seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

REFEREES REPORT – Jim Gates, John Sparling, Mike Anderson reporting.

1. District and Regional Tournaments went very smoothly.
2. Penalties are up 20 from the same time last year. Fighting penalties have increased. (see attached.)
3. John Sparling thanked all the volunteers who worked during the District and Regional Tournaments.
4. Annual Referee Hockey Game is April 12, 2008, 4:30 p.m., at the New Hope Ice Arena.
5. Junior Gold All-Star Game is being hosted by the Beltline Referees at Plymouth Ice Center, Wednesday, March 19, 2008.
6. Annual Golf Tournament will be in mid-July. More information at a later date.
7. Tony Cleveland inquired about the additional referee charges for games played at Thayer Arena. John Sparling noted that this policy would be one of the topics when the Beltline and D3 Board meet in their end of season meeting.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT – John Perry reporting.

1. John thanked everyone and all the volunteers who worked the tournaments. He extended a special thank you to Wayzata and St. Louis Park for hosting a Regional Tournament.
2. OMGHA is hosting the 19U State Tournament this coming weekend.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Mark Brandt reporting.

1. Mark thanked everyone and all the volunteers who worked the tournaments.

2. Mark stated that now is a good time to begin estimating which teams each association will have for next season.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Diane Margenau reporting.

1. Carol Carlson, USA Hockey Registrar, will be meeting with the District 3 Registrars and Association Presidents in a separate meeting and will not be attending a District 3 monthly meeting.
2. The District 3 Appreciation Dinner will be held April 9. Invitations will be going out.
3. Diane asked for the names of those District 3 Board members and representatives who will not be returning next year. She said that she would appreciate the names as soon as possible of those persons who will be joining the Board for the 2008-2009 season. She suggested that all new Board members attend the District 3 May meeting along with the retiring Board members.
4. The Advanced 15 girls and boys participation invitation letters have been sent out to the eligible 1993 players. Kathy Fallen is the General Managers for the District 3 girls team, Diane is the G.M. for the boy's team.
5. District 3 will once again be sponsoring Hole #3 and a team for the MH annual golf tournament. If you are interested in playing on the D3 team please let John Perry know. The tournament is held in July. More details will be coming.
6. District 3 is assigned the Pee wee A State Tournament, the 16U Playdowns and 14 A & 14 B National Regional Tournament in 2009. If an association is interested in hosting any of these tournaments they should contact John Perry or Mark Brandt.
7. Congratulatory letters and certificates have been sent out to all Squirt and 10 U teams in District 3 which earned 90% of their Fair Play Points this past season. Each player received a certificate from MH.

TREASURERS REPORT – Diane Margenau reporting. (see attached)

1. MOTION: Brad Davis moved to accept the treasurer's report as presented.

Tim Traff seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.
2. Diane Margenau suggested that District 3 consider opening a money market account with TCF. Funds would be kept in this account until they were needed and receiving interest and then could be transferred over to the checking account when needed. Diane said that at times the checking account amount is low but when funds have been received from associations they may not be used immediately and that this would be a good idea.

ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS –

ORONO – Tony Cleveland reporting.

1. Orono beginning planning for next season.
2. Orono may field a Junior Gold team next season but are still deciding if they will be able to field a Bantam A team.
3. Tony inquired as to whether or not Providence Academy will be having a Bantam B team. John Perry stated that there has been some discussion on this but that nothing has been decided.

COOPER – Greg Erickson reporting.

1. Talks are still going on concerning a merger with Armstrong.
2. Next years teams will probably follow the same pattern as this year's teams.
3. Girls teams may be composed differently.

OSSEO-MAPLE GROVE – Tom Pitra reporting.

1. Talks going on concerning the merging of some of the traveling teams.

2. Construction on the second rink at Maple Grove Community Center has begun.

BLAKE – Tim Traff reporting.

1. The Blake Bantam B team will be participating in the State Tournament.

WAYZATA – Mike Tabery reporting.

1. Planning has begun for next season.
2. Wayzata has 6 teams that are going to a State Tournament.
3. Mike inquired about the MH survey and who received it. John Perry stated that it was sent out via email to members of Minnesota Hockey and he urged everyone who receives one to complete and return it. It takes about 20 minutes to complete

HOPKINS – Brad Davis reporting.

1. May field a Junior Gold team next season.
2. Elections coming up.

S.K.A.T.E. – Sandie Sullivan reporting.

1. Cooper and Armstrong combined their SKATE program this year.
2. Annual celebration coming up.

GIRLS LEAGUES – Kathy Fallen reporting.

1. Several D3 girls teams going to State Tournaments.
2. Ad. 15 Girls tryouts ready to go.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE – Diane Margenau reporting.

1. Two Match Penalty Grievance hearings were held recently, both resulting from the same incident and involving Bantam A players from Wayzata and Maple Grove. Greg Erickson served as the representative to the Grievance Committee.

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE – Scott Dornfeld reporting.

1. It was a good year. Thank you to all association coordinators.

ACE – Gene Ferrel reporting.

1. Gene will be scheduling a meeting for D3 ACE Coordinators.
2. Association ACE Coordinators will be taking on more responsibilities beginning next season.
3. State ACE Coordinators meeting in St. Cloud, April 12, 2008.
4. Getting ready to post another newsletter on the D3 website.

METRO LEAGUE –

1. John Anderson, Osseo/Maple Grove, will become the second liaison to the Metro League from District 3, joining Casey Whelan. He is replacing Bob Halverson who served in that position 15 years.

C LEAGUE –

1. C League tournament begins this evening.

REGISTRAR – John Perry reporting.

1. A meeting will be arranged in April for the District 3 Registrars to meet with Carol Carlson. The meeting will also include Association Presidents or Representatives.

NEW BUSINESS –

DAVE MARGENAU –

1. Dave inquired as to whether or not associations have post try out meetings.

Wayzata – No

Hopkins – No, but will accept verbal feedback.

Osseo/Maple Grove – A parent is allowed to see their player's numbers from try outs, but only their player.

Cooper – No

Armstrong – A meeting can be arranged with the Head Coach of the team.

INSURANCE –

1. At the last meeting some questions regarding insurance for Board members were asked. John Perry stated that Board Directors and Officers have coverage through USA Hockey.

2. Joe Arko was to bring to the Board some additional information and facts. Due to the fact that he is not at the meeting this evening, Diane will remind him to bring this information to the meeting in May.

MOTION: Scott Dornfeld moved to adjourn the meeting.

Mike Tabery seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

President Brandt adjourned the meeting at 9:21 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.