



**Minnesota Hockey District 3**  
**Monthly Board Meeting – Minutes**  
**Plymouth Ice Center**  
**Wednesday, January 9 2019**

**Members Present:**

<b>District 3 Staff and BHRA Staff</b>	<b>Association Representatives</b>
X Nicole Brodersen – D3 Director	Mike Melsha – Armstrong Cooper
X Ron Walsh – D3 President	X Carolyn Kivisto – Delano
X Aric Stienessen- Treasurer	X Reid Paul – Hopkins
X Shelly Johnson – D3 Administrator	X Bill Robeck – Minneapolis
X Cheryl Myers- Social Media	X Dean Swanson – Mound Westonka
	X Tim Donelon – North Metro
Rob Roy – D3 Girls Coordinator	X Kelly Greene – Orono
X Mike Anderson – BHRA, Scheduler	X Brian Blashack – OMGHA
X Neil Olson – BHRA, President	Jeff Brandt – OMGHA (alt)
X Matt Olsonoski – BHRA, Supervisor	X Todd Dvorack– St Louis Park
Nick Dornfeld – BHRA, Secretary	X Mark Brandt – Wayzata
Tim Przybylski – BHRA, DOD	
X Chad Nicholls – D3 Tournaments	
Jay Knip – D3 Scheduler	
Shelly Slattery – D3 Registrar	
Todd Larson – Metro League	
X Diane Margenau – D3 Membership Dir.	
X Josh Hicks – D3 Coach in Chief	
Guests: Dawn Speltz ACYHA	

1. **Call to order** 7:03
  - December Minutes Carolyn motion to approve, Mark second, motion approved
2. **District 3 Director Report**-Nicole: Standings need to be kept up to date-we will be using coach manager registration info for communications. If coaches are not registered, we cannot reach out to them when it comes time for HP nominations. Planning for nomination meeting on Feb 16. The tryout schedule is on the D3 site. REMIND COACHES ABOUT PROPER BODY CONTACT.
3. **District 3 Administrator’s Report**-Shelly: Fairly quiet-generally just been responding to questions from various team managers and coaches. Meeting with Kendra to review playoff prep. Put in request for spring HP ice.
4. **District 3 President’s Report**-Ron: no report
5. **District 3 Treasurer’s Report**-Aric: expenses are in line. Association assessments will be coming out.
6. **D3 Associates Reports –**
  - Supervisor of Officials: Plans to paint ice in MG Premier Rink? Difficult for officials.

- Registrar: Currently we have 60 redlined players lacking DOB/CIT Verification, 10 redlined coaches due to Expired CEP, 6 redlined coaches due to No CEP and 3 redlined coaches due to No Screening. Registrars have been notified and these individuals should not be participating with teams in any capacity.
- Coach in Chief: no report

Membership and Development: **February Try Hockey For Free Day:** USA Hockey's annual winter Try Hockey For Free Day is set for Saturday, February 23rd, as a part of Hockey Week Across America. Associations interested in participating should fill out USA Hockey's site registration form within the next couple of weeks to ensure they receive all of the appropriate materials.

**Marketing Statistics:** USA Hockey recently shared marketing data from past Try Hockey For Free events. Over the past couple of years, participants in Minnesota reported they most frequently heard about these opportunities through Facebook, word of mouth, event flyers and their school. If you're interested in seeing data specific to your THFF events, visit your [USA Hockey portal](#).

**Hard Divider Program:** The hard ice divider subsidy program is once again available through Minnesota Hockey. Associations may receive a \$2,500 grant for purchasing a set of divider through Rink Systems. Discounts on mini nets are also available.

#### **Save the Date – May 4 & May 5, 2019**

Minnesota Hockey will be hosting its fourth annual Association Leader Excellence Conference (ALEC) this spring. New this year, we will be hosting the event at two locations. On Saturday, May 4th, the ALEC will be held in St. Louis Park, MN, and the following day, on Sunday, May 5th, it will be held in Bemidji, MN.

The event will once again include at least one session focused on growing the game, with an emphasis on sharing ideas for growth programs and initiatives. Additional details will be released at a later date. Encourage 2-3 people from your association to attend.

Dianne asked Matt to bring up ref issues on other districts at spring meeting.

- Girls League Coordinator:
- Grievance Committee: Match Penalty hearing scheduled for Jan 9 before monthly meeting at 5:30, Player will be reinstated Friday Jan 11.
- Scheduling Coordinator:
- Tournament Coordinator: Application Deadline is Feb 1st for invitational tournaments. No exceptions are allowed.
- A.C.E. Coordinator:
- Social Media/Website: Autolce -developing three new tools: 1) Scoresheet submission in real time, 2) game details report to check discrepancies, 3) admin function to update. Issue to address is currently storing info in two places...SportNgin and Autolce. Going forward, should discuss roles of each. Issue: We have approximately 30-40 occurrences in the 1000+ games that have been played, where FPP that are reported in the score submission form are not being accurately reflected in the standings. Sometimes they are self-correcting when a new game score is entered, and on the rest we have to go

in and make the change. Mark added he and Nicole are meeting with Stephen from AI soon.

- HP/Tier 1:

**7. D3 Association Representatives:**

Armstrong Cooper: Met with Auto Ice to discuss lessons learned from current season and discuss best practices for next year. Need to create documentation, assign reviewers etc. Two more hosted tourneys.

Delano: scheduled for try hockey for free in Feb.

Hopkins:

Minneapolis: Had a penalty review with bantam player that injured a SLP player. Player talked to his team about the experience and was and is very regretful. Mpls Park board will be installing game clocks at the rinks in Mpls. over the summer.

Mound-Westonka:

North Metro: no report

Orono: Progressing through season, and starting to look at next year

Getting closer to adding gambling managers for pull tabs.

U10 B1/B2 Feedback and thoughts on if this will occur again or expand for next year

Osseo Maple Grove: no report

St Louis Park: January 25-27 we are having a Bantam A, B, C, tournament with every team playing at least one time on the outdoor rink. All teams are doing well. Bantam player Dennison is doing well. Still in brace. Walking. At school. Not sure on potential of full recovery yet.

Wayzata: A lot of prep being done for next year. Work with other associations that have mites to do some crossover work. Improvements happening at PIC-shooting stations and PHIT doing improvement/and programs.

**8. Old Business:** TIER 1 coach language for rules and regs.

**9. New Business:**

*Reminder: The District Tournament meeting will be Feb 13 at 7:00*

**10. Adjorn** Mark motion to adjorn, Bill seconded 7:41