

District 5 Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 4, 2024
Meeting Location: St. Augusta Legion

Meeting was called to order @ 7:00pm

Attendance

Buffalo, Hutchinson, LDC, MOOSE, River Lakes, Sartell, Sauk Rapids, St Cloud, STMA, Willmar, River Blades

Absent –

Secretary's Report – Al Setrum

Al provided an oral report. September minutes posted to the website on November 8, 2024. A motion to approve the meeting minutes was made by St Cloud and seconded by MOOSE with no discussion motion. Motion is approved.

Treasure Report – Jeff Swenson

Jeff provided a written report. Attached is the written report. These were completed and posted to the D5 website. Motion Sartell second Buffalo motion passes.

- 2 fines to associations for locker room monitor issues. \$500 each
- Paid our October WSOA referee fees.

Coach in Chief – Aaron Johnson (No Report)

- Nate – Reminded coaches that they need to get their clinic's done by December 31st or they won't be able to remain on the bench.

Official's Report – Ryan Szmanski

- Few less games misconduct is down.
- Mouth guards seeing the game is starting with them in and losing them during
- Language with racial or discriminatory is a match penalty.
 - Nate – last year there was an uptick in it. This year has been better. Need to remind players not to use that type of language.
- Scheduling (Chris/Nick)
 - Working to get everyone games so help get more trained referees.
 - 2 black out weekend for additional games on Dec 13-15 and Jan 17-19
 - Watch the single game please work to double up games as it makes it easier to get referee more experience.
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Tournament Coordinator – Kevin Mooney

- Everything is going well.

Girls Coordinator – Kim Monahan

- Things are going well.
- Working on 19U

MN Hockey - Nate Wold

- Locker Room monitors – need to make sure someone is there.
- Game Report – 15 turned into Ryan with one Match this year. Please talk to the older teams to remind them.
- Roster will be locked December 31st.

Association Updates:

- Buffalo – 1st tournament was held last weekend. Pictures are done for every level.
- Hutchinson – Got the outdoor rink up and running and will be hosting another mite jamboree on it.
- LDC – Not a lot to update. HS Girls played their 1st game on the new DC rink.
- MOOSE – Things are going well. Not many problems
- River Lakes – Bunch of games coming in the upcoming weeks.
- Sartell – Things are going well. Inhouse mite league is going to start next week. Had to drop our junior gold team but working to keep remaining players playing.
- Sauk Rapids – Season is up and running and things are going well. 1st tournament will be this upcoming weekend.
- St Cloud – Things are rolling. Want to give a shout out to some young referee on how they handle a situation during a game this past weekend. Coaches, and fans were out of line but they handle it great!
- STMA – 50th Celebration this past weekend. Had a great event and even raise some money for the kids. Everything else is going well.
- Willmar – 1st tournament couple weekends ago which could have gone better. Holiday skate coming up.
- River Blades – Season in full swing. Last night had a youth girls' night at the HS game.
- General Conversation –
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Old Business:

- ALL PLAYER ROSTERS need to be finalized by 12/31/24.
- April-Election: President, 1st VP, Treasure (let Len know if you are interested).
- January Meeting – Bring a Squirt/10U parent; Opt In/Out for Squirts/10U Tourney.
- D5 Team Contract List (Please get these updated for your association's teams).
- Mite Meeting – December 7th @ 11:00am; 7 full ice games after the first of the year. Not mandatory to attend – D5 are facilitating talks to association. Great to see how teams are formatted at other associations. Refs for full ice games, we encourage refs for ½ ice games (special rate)

New Business:

- Black out weekend for scrimmages
 - December 13th to the 15th
 - January 17th to the 19th
 - Currently 150+ games each weekend, lots of high-level, 4-man games.
- Parent/Player/Coach Code of Conduct – please make sure they are signed and followed.
- District Playoffs locations are set and will be email later this month.
- Mike G (League Coordinator)

- Game Sheet roster have been locked due to an issue happening at the Game Sheet company level. If a roster or number on a player needs to be updated or changed and email needs to be sent to the D5 Coordinator email.
- Not a lot of games have had to be rescheduled which is great.
- Remind team mangers that every district game is pre-loaded and creating one from scratch will not enter the system correctly. If this happens the team manager will have to hand loaded later.

*November meeting minutes are in draft status till approved at the December 4, 2024, meeting.

Next Meeting: January 8, 2025 @ 7:00 PM, St Augusta Legion
Adjourned at 7:38pm