



. Minnesota Hockey District 3
 Monthly Board Meeting – Minutes
 PIC
 Wednesday, June 14, 2023

Executive Committee & Associates			Association Reps		
	Paul Steenerson	District Director	x	Kevin Pote	ACYHA
x	Mark Brandt	Pres/Scheduling	x	Kristi Duis	Delano Area
x	Shelly Johnson	Administrator		Chris Carr	Hopkins
	Vacant	Data Mgmt./Tech.	x	Mick Mullen	Minneapolis
x	Machel Whitmore	Registrar	x	Brad Butler	Mound Westonka
x	Kendra Verbeten	Interim Treasurer		Kity Marinac	North Metro
x	Neil Olson	BHRA President	x	Gina Hansen	Orono
	Matt Olsonoski	BHRA Supervisor		Nick Rice	OMG
x	Mike Anderson	BHRA Scheduler		Rob Anklam	St Louis Park
X	Michelle Jirik	Tourney Coord.		Andy Nordseth	Wayzata
x	Chad Wieneke	HP/Tier 1 Pgm Dir.			
x	Shelly Johnson	Boys HP/Tier 1			
	Mackenzie Skatter	Girls HP/Tier 1			
	Lindsay Czech	Girls HP/Tier 1			
x	Josh Hicks	Coach-in-Chief			
	Tim Przybyski	Dis Comm. Chair			
	Jeff Luke	Girls Coordinator			
X	Michele Jirik	Membership Dev		Guests/Alternates Present:	
	Greg Gibson	JGHSL	X	Alex Bisbee – Hopkins	
	Todd Larson	JGHSL	x	Stephen Randall - Orono	
X	Josh Hicks	Hockey Ops			

Call to order TIME: 7:08pm

May Minutes: Motion to approve: Brad Seconded: Mick
 Minutes approved

District 3 Director Report- Need to gather a few more team declarations. Please submit pronto if you have not done so yet. *Discussion that reps would like the initial team declarations sent out.* Met with the officials regarding our new contract. Will sign and deliver once I am back home. Thanks to Mike and Neil for putting this contract together. MN Hockey WILL have new rules regarding waivers for the 2024-2025 season. Final determinations will be voted on in the upcoming summer meetings. Thanks to Josh Hicks on accepting the Hockey Ops role replacing Bill Robeck and welcome back Michelle as our Tourney Coordinator. We appreciate these two stepping up. Mark and I determined this year's tournaments and assigned them as opposed to seeking input. We

will ensure that we rotate those tournaments that associations believe are more prestigious than other tournaments. However please note that decisions were made based on the number of rinks, teams that each association has as well as volunteer members. If you have questions or want to discuss the assignments, please see me or Mark.

District 3 President Report- Sent out the tournament assignments for the upcoming season. Have established dates for the calendar for the upcoming season with the dates for the events for the leagues. Have not established the dates yet for the leagues for the 15A & 15B girls' level yet. Need some input on what the Girl Coordinators are thinking about for when they want to start the season. Have been working with Avario on the enhancements to the scheduling process.

District 3 Administrator Report: Pending final decision on how we conduct fall meetings, will be able to assist associations with info needed. Reminder again, add your dates to google doc calendar as appropriate. I still need puck buckets from season end tournaments.

Registrar Report: Attended USA Hockey last week in Denver. Make sure everyone in your associations (board members) get on their Safesport renewals (those due, should be getting email notifying of need to renew). Association Board rosters must be submitted and approved before any team rosters will be approved.

District 3 Accounting Report: Reports were emailed to board members. Articles of Incorporation have been filed and approved. The draft by laws will be reviewed and aligned with MNH and USAH and discussed and approved at the July board meeting. In addition, a draft budget will be sent out to reps and reviewed at the Presidents' Meeting in June.

GameSheet Report: Looking to have a meeting with each association's Gamesheet person (every association should have one). Try and identify that person by the next meeting. New for next year, there will be a fine for games not uploaded within 48 hours. Too much time last year spent chasing down game results. This year billed out at 50% cost to associations this next season. GameSheet costs are built into the league fee charged to associations.

Associates Reports:

- Squirt Committee: need to look at who is on committee going forward.
- Supervisor of Officials: no report
- Coach in Chief: New CIC has been named for Minnesota. Onboarding several new Coach Developers across the state. If associations are having coach meetings, would like to know so can get out and meet coaches.
- Membership and Development/Tournament Coordinator: Michelle Jirik will be taking these roles. Working to revamp and come up with new initiatives for membership development. There will be a mandatory tournament meeting in September for associations hosting invitational tournaments. Need to have tournament coordinator there. Will be covering regional tournaments as well for those hosting this year-so have the coordinator for that present too.

- Jr. Gold/JGHSL: *Met with MN Hockey President Steve Oleheiser to discuss JGHSL role within MN Hockey *Proposed JGHSL Board merge into MN Hockey JGHSL Committee *To be reviewed and implemented June MN Hockey Board meeting *Make up proposed JGHSL Committee emailed.
- Disciplinary Committee: no report
- HP/Tier 1: Planning is on-going for Tier 1/Prospects leagues. Tryout dates are June 23rd-29th. Head coach for each program: 14U Girls Tier 1 - Bryan Dielman 14U Girls Prospects - Sarah Jackson 14U Youth Tier 1 - Dan Michaelson 14U Youth Prospects - Christian Jolicoeur 15O Youth Tier 1 - Paul Antonenko. July off-ice program has been planned for Tier 1/Prospects participants. D3 rules will be updated to capture attendance requirements for HP tryouts. Minnesota Hockey is attempting to establish a 13O Tier 1 League. D3 plans to participate beginning in 2024.
- Girls Coordinator: Hosted the spring D3 Girls Coordinators meeting on 5/23/23. We had good representation, reviewed last season, reviewed next season's preliminary declarations, and discussed a range of topics: from 15U levels to 8U jamborees.
- **D3 Association Representatives:**
 - Armstrong Cooper: Team placements have been sent in. AC is wondering if other associations are doing the same at the Squirt level- A B1 B2 C C. This is a very thin group in terms of talent, not numbers. PeeWees are good to go- 3 teams: A B1 C. Bantams is still a HUGE issue with only 2 goalies:(Therefore, we'll likely run 3 teams: A B1 C. SDP camps are off and running as of today...Monday morning. New Hope South rink is up and running as well!
 - Delano: STP starts this week; working through girls' program survey results to determine best approach to team declarations at the 12U/15U/HS levels; working on tournament sign-ups for travel team
 - Hopkins: no report
 - Minneapolis: Ice Scheduler is working on ice for the year of tournaments provided to Mpls Storm Hockey. Have decisions been made for the Manager/Coaches Meeting for next year? In person, virtually, In person at association level? Minneapolis Storm Preliminary Team Declarations: (subject to change) 10U: A-0, B1-1, B2-2, C-0 Total 3 12U: A-1, B1-1, B2-1, C-0 Total 3 15U: TBD Squirts: A-1, B1-1, B2-3, C-3, Total 8 Peewees: A-1, B1-2, B2-4, C-2, Total 9 Bantams: A-1, B1-1, B2-3, C-2, Total 7
 - Mound-Westonka: Open board positions filled, STP into 2nd week, already, working on budget.
 - Orono: Planning to open registration in late June and close (except Mites/6U/8U) by end of July. This is a big change for our association. New executive committee in place and we are off and running. Orono would like to represent our respective size on the competition committee. We are still in need of goalies at the Bantam level.
 - Osseo Maple Grove: Face to face welcome to new North Metro Players went well last week. Named a director for a "house" squirt program. Considering at peewee level as well.

St Louis Park: In the process of reviewing likely numbers for both girls' and boys' programs for the upcoming year. Depending on solid enrollments there may be impacts to declared team quantities. Completed our annual meeting and new round of board elections are in place. Reviewed 2023/24 tournament assignments. With the potential for 18 teams at the Squirt B2 level, I assume that we would be planning for a upper and lower bracket tournament style to accommodate the number of games. Depending on the structure of the tournament this is likely more than 20 games for double elim.

Wayzata: no report

New Business: MN Hockey Golf Tourney is July 11. We have always sponsored hole #3. Mark and Paul are planning to go, if interested let Mark know.

Old Business: Bylaws-next month

Move the 24-hour change discussion to next month (June).

Proposed Changes to District 3 USA Hockey Incident reporting.

- Change reporting time from 48 hours from time of incident to 24 hours. Everyone has immediate access to the GameSheet and everyone has immediate access to email. The old process allows 48 hours, in that time a team may play multiple games, especially during tournaments. It is the responsibility of the supervisor of officials to get the time, date, and location a player(s) or coach(es) will be serving their suspension(s) and to make sure no one is playing with an ineligible player, which would cause game forfeiture. Reporting is not a time to appeal suspensions, game misconducts and match penalties as not subject to appeal. Failure to report is a one game suspension to the head coach.
- Propose a way for head coaches to report game misconducts and match penalties on the D3 website. Looking for suggestions. Is it possible to have a drop-down fillable form that is available to coaches would simplify the process. Machel has built a registration form on the website and will have officials review.
- April/May meetings-discuss tournaments being hosted (dates/size)

Adjourn TIME: 8:25 Motion: Gina Seconded: Kevin
meeting adjourned