



September 9, 2009

The September meeting of the District 3 Beltline Hockey League and the District 3 Fall President's Meeting was called to order by President Brandt at 7:02 p.m.

Those present:

Scott Dornfeld – Director
John Perry – Past Director
Mark Brandt – President
Diane Margenau – Administrator
John Sparling – President, Beltline Referee
Mike Anderson – Scheduler/Treasurer, Beltline Referee
Kelly Bonner – Tournament Coordinator
Sandie Sullivan – S.K.A.T.E. Coordinator
Gene Ferrel – ACE Coordinator
Lynn Brandt – C League Coordinator & Registrar

Guests:

Dennis Green – President, Minnesota Hockey
Mark Smith – Mound Westonka

Representatives:

Bill Hills – St. Louis Park
Brad Davis - Hopkins
Matt Boente - Blake
Todd Elmer – Osseo Maple Grove
Alex Becker – Wayzata ((alt)

Presidents:

Chris Hildreth - Blake
Paul Stronberg – North Metro (alt)
Mike Schroeder – Orono (alt)
Steve Rosen – St. Louis Park
Todd Hill – Osseo Maple Grove
Mike Goergen – Armstrong Cooper (alt)
Brady Bizal – Hopkins

MINUTES –

MOTION: Bill Hills moved to accept the August Minutes as presented.

Todd Elmer seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

REFEREES REPORT – John Sparling, Mike Anderson

1. All referee seminars are listed on the District 3 web site.
2. Membership numbers are very good this year; almost have too many qualified referees. Hope to be able to give every member enough games this coming season. Won't be hiring new referees younger than high school age this year.
3. Membership meeting – September 14 – 7:00 p.m. – Plymouth Ice Center.
4. Mike requested that he be invited to the Tournament Committee meeting to address scheduling of games. He stated that it is unrealistic to attempt to get a tournament game completed in one hour. Also, cancellation of games in too short a period of time is an issue that also needs to be addressed.
5. Try out schedules need to be sent to Mike.

DIRECTORS REPORT – Scott Dornfeld

1. All Association Boards should have submitted their screening forms to Minnesota Hockey by this time.
2. Try out games should be limited to or less.
3. Players being waived out of an association should be completed by order of being cut. District 3 teams should first be filled before waiving to another District.
4. Tournament hosts packages should be submitted to Scott as soon as possible.

DENNIS GREEN –

1. MH predicted a 5% drop in registrations for this coming year. Would appreciate associations tracking financials and numbers for future reference.

PRESIDENTS REPORT – Mark Brandt

1. Last season was a very successful year for D3. Several teams participated at regional and state tournaments.
2. Changing format this year for the Coaches and Managers meetings. Only Peewee and Bantam coaches and managers will attend mandatory meeting in October. Squirts and Girl's team coaches and managers will attend their own meeting later in November. The reasoning behind this change is that many of these teams are not formed in October and also there needs to be more focus on these teams. It has also been decided that all coaches and managers will attend these meetings, even if their team is participating in a league outside of District 3, as may be in the case for girl's teams. The reasoning for this is that there is a lot of information pertaining to District 3 that these teams also need to know, such as game rescheduling and D3 policies.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Diane Margenau

1. Diane distributed an updated calendar, directory, President's directory and tournament host rotation. (see attached)
2. Diane reviewed the Injury Data Project information that District 3 will again be participating in. District 6 has also joined in the pilot program for MH. She said that the managers and coaches would be informed of the procedure at their meeting by Hal Tarse, head of the Safety Committee for MH.
3. MOTION: Todd Elmer moved to accept the 2009-2010 District 3 Rules and Regulations, By-laws, as presented.

Bill Hills seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.
4. Diane asked that each association designate a District 3 Alternate if they have not already done so.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Diane Margenau

- MOTION: Todd Elmer moved to accept the September Treasurer's Report as presented.

Bill Hills seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

ASSOCIATION REPORTS –

NORTH METRO – Paul Stronberg

1. N.M. numbers are down. Still registering players and hope that the numbers will improve.

HOPKINS – Brad Davis

1. Registration is down, losing players who attend Benilde, especially at the Bantam level. 8 squirt players going to Minnesota Made.
2. Need goalies at the Bantam level.
3. Need to rainbow 14 U's, possibly with Armstrong Cooper.
4. Felt that the new Participation Rule caused a lot of additional work for associations, especially for the registrars.

ARMSTRONG COOPER – Mike Goergen

1. Numbers are about the same.
2. Have started pre skates.
3. Many new members on the Board.

WAYZATA – Alex Becker

1. Bantams and Squirts appear to be most affected by the new rule but it's not really an issue.
2. Working on marketing youth hockey.

3. Clinics begin the end of September.

OSSEO MAPLE GROVE – Todd Elmer

1. Numbers down but not as bad as earlier predicted.
2. Discovered a new registration with the last name MARGENAU.

ORONO – Mike Schroeder

1. Registration numbers appear not to be an issue.
2. We have lost Bantam players to the high school.
3. Starting a “Goalie Board”.
4. Expectation of more scholarship requests did not occur.

ST. LOUIS PARK – Bill Hills

1. Numbers are holding steady.
2. Will again be teaming with Southwest Hockey Association at the Pee wee and Bantam levels.
3. Will be hosting a Hockey Day in St. Louis Park, same date as USA Hockey week end.
4. Have established a Jim Bayers scholarship.

MOUND WESTONKA – Mark Smith

1. Will be playing some league games with D3 this year.
2. Registration just getting started, some concerns.
3. Going into the schools with the Brady Brady books.
4. Have also lost players to Minnesota Made.

ACE – Gene Ferrel

1. C.E.P-. Clinics.

Level 1 – Saturday, October 31, 2009 – 8:30 am – 1:00 pm – St. Louis Park Rec. Center
Level 2 – Sunday, November 1, 2009 – 8:30 am – 3:00 pm - St. Louis Park Rec. Center

Level 3 – Sunday, November 22, 2009 – 8:30 am – 3:00 pm – Brooklyn Park Community Center

Level 1 – Saturday, December 5, 2009 – 8:30 am – 1:00 pm – Brooklyn Park Community Center
Level 2 – Sunday, December 6, 2009 – 8:30 am – 3:00 pm – Brooklyn Park Community Center
2. Statewide ACE Coordinators meeting in St. Cloud, October 3, 2009.
3. Plan to schedule a District 3 ACE Coordinators meeting for early October.
4. Association ACE Coordinators should be ordering HEP materials now.
5. Associations should plan additional coaching clinics. Contact Gene or Marc Sorensen as to how to go about it.
6. Working on distribution newsletter. Will be on the D3 web site.

C LEAGUE – Lynn Brandt

1. There have been several requests to play in the D3 C leagues, especially at the Bantam level.
2. Do not have any idea what the numbers will be at this time.

3. Lynn asked that the name of the associations C league coordinators be emailed to her as soon as possible.
4. Looking for an assistant C League Coordinator.

REGISTRAR – Lynn Brandt

1. CEP process changing slightly. Lynn will be keeping tract coaches who do not have 4 valid CEP cards and names will be forwarded to associations. Once a coach has a valid CEP certification he/she will need to notify Lynn directly.
2. Try – out Scrimmages -
Outside of D3 – A USA Hockey roster must be sent to Lynn.
Inside D3 – a list of names to Lynn.

Outside team coming into D3 – USA Hockey roster needed.

S.K.A.T.E. – Sandie Sullivan

1. Any association interested in hosting a S.K.A.T.E. program should contact Sandie for information, Web site – skatetoachieve.com
2. Sandie is organizing a pilot program in conjunction with the MH Recruiting and Retention Committee. Brady Brady books will be used in the program. (Sample books were reviewed.) Brady Brady is a young hockey player whose different life situations are talked about in the books and how he deals with them. Varsity players in the Armstrong Cooper and Hopkins programs will be going into schools to read to younger children. There will also be various incentives to encourage children to participate in local hockey programs.

RECRUITING AND RETENTION – Scott Dornfeld

1. Waiting for finished instructional booklet. Will be distributed to associations when completed.

OLD BUSINESS –

D3 REC LEAGUE – Mark Brandt

1. Final details not complete. Preliminary information:
Hosted by Wayzata Hockey Association at Plymouth Ice Center
Pond Hockey format – referees will be used
Peewee & Bantam levels
No Check
Sunday nights – 7:00 – 1 hour sessions
Possible 18-20 weeks
Approximately \$250/player

The targeted player is that players who are not playing in a league but who still want to participate at a very limited level.

MOTION: Todd Elmer to adjourn the meeting.

Bill Hills seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

President Brandt adjourned the meeting at 9:00 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.

