

District 5

Meeting Minutes

August 6, 2008

Meeting called to order by Tim Hanson at 7:34 PM, introductions of all attendees and welcome to new members. Crow River was absent.

Secretary's Report: Presented by Kurt Lofrano, **MAML motion; Hutch. second – secretary's report approved.**

Treasurer's Report: Robert Hantge out of town, provided short account summary, checking balance \$19,926.63 and CD \$15,000. Accountants completing yearend financials and tax returns, Robert needs e-mail and mailing addresses for association treasurers. Also distributed copy of meeting schedule for 2008/09 season. **Sartell motion; STMA second – treasurer's report approved.**

MN Hockey Report: Presented by Doug Kephart, distributed summary.

- 1) Communication Process – please distribute information to association.
 - E-Directory – on MN Hockey website - need to get updated and copy to Doug.
 - Association Websites – get contact information updated on association sites.
- 2) Summer Meeting Highlights
 - One Site State Tournament – proposed “A” state tournament for Bantam, PW, Jr. Gold, 14U and 12U at Excel and other metro facilities. The proposal was rescinded after lengthy discussion and opposition from out state communities.
 - Key Rule Changes – time required between games reduced from 4 hours to 3 hours.
 - Committee Assignments – Doug has been assigned to three committees, Rules, Administration and Grievance. Note, Mark Jorgensen has resigned; the Administration committee will find a new executive director.
- 3) Registration Meeting – August 23 (validating time, 8 or 10 AM, see website for update) at Daniels in Cokato. D-5 will go 100% on-line this season.
- 4) Association President's Dinner Meeting – Wednesday September 3, 6:00 PM dinner, 6:30 PM meeting prior to general meeting at 7:30 PM. Mandatory attendance by president or VP. All presidents to bring a copy of the e-directory for 2008/09 and must acknowledge attendance to Doug by August 15.
- 5) Screening Forms – required for boards, coaching staff and managers, anyone who has association with the kids, one needed for each position.
- 6) Roster Signing Day – November 8, 2008, contact Doug for any needed forms.
- 7) Girl's Coordinator – Doug Foster – distributed hand out:
 - Contact Information – Doug needs girl coordinator information before next meeting.
 - Advanced 15 Program – Doug needs all contact information for the HS and 14U coach.
 - “A” Teams – if we do not have enough “A” teams in D-5, will pursue setting up leagues with D-10. If comments or questions, contact Doug.
 - Advanced 15 Team Photo/Poster – from 2007/08 D-5 team, finished second in tournament, lost in an OT shootout. The poster will spend a month during the season in each arena that had girls participate on the team.

Coaches' Report: Presented by Brian Johnson, he has taken on the role of coach in chief following Paul's resignation.

- 1) Clinics – not yet set up, will be on the MN Hockey website by Sept. 1. There will be a L1, L2 and L3 in the district. More of them will be on the west end of district. L3 recertification on USA Hockey website, a good way to go.
- 2) Master Coaching Clinic – Sept. 13 at Blaine Super Rink, can be used for recertification. On ice and dry land, putting fundamentals back into practice. \$70 cost, 25 slots for each level.
- 3) Level 4 Clinic – Sept. 19 – 21 at Blaine Super Rink, once complete, no recertification required.
- 4) Mite/8U Workshop – October 4, 9 AM to 3 PM, Blaine Super Rink. For people involved in running IP, no maximum number of participants, ACE should have info.
- 5) ACE Coordinator – Terry Dvorak – all ACE coordinators should have an e-mail from Terry, HEP materials and parent and coaching meetings. Terry needs registration numbers from last year and needed HEP material. E-mail Terry at LMWorks@Hutchtel.net. Parents should sign an acknowledgement of requirements and expectations.

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Referee's Report: Presented by Mike Mooney.

- 1) Seminars – 5 seminars, 3 L1/L2 in Mound, Litchfield and Willmar and 2 L3 in Buffalo and Hutch. Details on website, MHOA.US.
- 2) New Officials – if kids are interested, get them involved. There will be an on ice clinic this season and will continue the mentoring and evaluation program.
- 3) Two officials sent to MHOA camp and Minnkota camp going on now.
- 4) Applications for Post Season – new process this season, applications on website.
- 5) Information Level – let Mike know if too much or too little. If associations want officials to speak, contact Mike or West Suburban Official's Association. Also, for minor officials or team managers.

Old Business:

- 1) River Lakes Merger – PNLS and Cold Spring have officially merged, new combined board, 501C3 filing this week, bylaws and articles of incorporation, Scott provide update.
- 2) Rink Writer – discussed possible use for official score sheets. MN Hockey OK with it, will have update for next meeting.

New Business:

- 1) Meeting Schedule – see website, also distributed copy earlier.
- 2) President's Dinner Meeting – discussed previously, September 3, 6 PM at Daniels in Cokato, Mandatory! Consensus was district wide meeting last year did not achieve desired results. Questions on items covered at meeting kept coming up through the season.
- 3) Team Slotting – went through preliminary team slotting, need to finalize by September meeting, e-mail Tim if changes or finalized.

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 PM, Hutch. motion.

Next meeting is Wednesday September 3, 2008, 7:30 PM at Daniel's in Cokato. President's Dinner Meeting starts at 6:00 PM.

Submitted by Kurt Lofrano