

District 5

Meeting Minutes

April 1, 2009

Meeting called to order by Tim Hanson at 7:20 PM.

Secretary's Report: Presented by Kurt Lofrano, **Sartel first; River Lakes second** – secretary's report approved.

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Robert Hantge, distributed report summary. Checking balance \$11,391.00, savings \$15,343.89. CD renewed (11 mo – 2%), paying bills for Selects, fiscal year-end June 30th, thank you for a great year! All records are available if anyone would like to see them. **Crow River motion; Hutch. second** – treasurer's report approved.

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

- 1) Region/State Summary – St. Michael and Buffalo, well done and thank you on Regions. Buffalo, 14uA State, outstanding job, thank you! River Lakes Bantam B, congratulations making the State Tournament.
- 2) New Board Contact Info – please provide to Doug, need new president info. at a minimum, especially e-mail address.
- 3) Tax Returns – Doug needs copies of tax returns for each association.
- 4) New Board Transition – as new boards come on in the spring, Doug is available in summer months to meet with any boards.
- 5) Girl's Report – Doug Foster – distributed handout.
 - Recruitment meeting handout, looking for input.
 - Congratulations and thank you to Buffalo and St. Michael for Regions and State!
 - Distributed list of missing 10uB and Squirt game sheets.
 - Advanced 15 Girls – disappointed in numbers, will not need to cut non-goals.
 - Girl's Recruitment Meeting – Doug needs girl's numbers for past year, both girl's teams and playing youth.
 - Have a great spring/summer!
- 6) Tournament Coordinator – Thank you to Tracey for a number of years in the position. Doug has appointed Jeff Carlin as the new tournament coordinator; he will have a meeting in early fall.
- 7) District Director Awards – given by Doug through MN Hockey. The first award is given to Selina Berning, LDC president for her very strong leadership this season. The second is to Mike Mooney, supervisor of officials, for his strong communication skills this year.
- 8) Thank you to all, for all the volunteer effort.

Coaches' Report: Presented by Brian Johnson.

- 1) Initiation Committee – Brian introduced the committee, Kevin Dulan, Rich Martin, and Brian. Kevin and Rich are previous D-5 Coach-in-Chief's. Kevin distributed a couple Initiation Program (IP) handouts and made a presentation, a few key points:
 - IP program created by D-5, piloted in 1993
 - Key issue, most inexperienced coaches teaching our most inexperienced players
 - Need to "teach" 5, 6 and 7 year olds
 - Inconsistency creates less skilled players and lack of participation
 - Recommendation to D-5 board and associations, get back to core IP principles
 - Focus on skill, participation and fun
 - Kevin and the committee are happy to meet with individual associations over the summer
- 2) Advanced 15 – final tryout tomorrow night, final roster will be on D-5 website, thank you for support and participation.
- 3) Rink Writer – will discuss over the summer, would like training pre-season.

Referee's Report: Presented by Mike Mooney, distributed summary below:

Spring and Summer Camps

Instructor Camp; Rick Nelson and Bill Breeden have been accepted to instructor's training in Colorado Springs MHOA Camp; It appears all three of our applicants will be attending this camp. Brian McAvoy, Michael Kephart, and R.J. Cripps.

Minnkota; It also appears that all three of our applicants will be accepted to this camp. Shane Paskey, Ryan Szymanski, and Brutger Mrozek.

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Regional Camp; The appointment to this camp comes from Matt Leaf the director of Official Development for USA Hockey. We are very hopeful Darren Glur will receive an appointment to this camp.

Playoffs

We used 40 officials for our District playoffs and 22 officials for the 12U A, and 12U B Regional Tournaments hosted by D5. To keep the officials fresh we used a one game per day format, there were two exceptions due to last minute scheduling changes. This seemed to work very well.

We sent four crews to state tournaments. All four crews skated on Sunday. JR Gold A tournament at Richfield, Brandon Geyen, Patrick Sebey, and Dom Clements skated the championship game. At the 14U B tournament at Marshall Kody Schantzen skated the third place game, and Brutger Mrozek skated the consolation game. At the 14U A tournament at Buffalo Brian McAvoy, Matt Stephens, & Darren Glur skated the third place game, and Rick Nelson, Michael Kephart, and Ryan Szymanski skated the championship game.

All the tournaments in D5 were organized very professionally, but special mention needs to go STMA for the 12U A Regional very well done. And to the ladies of Buffalo for the 12U B Regional, and the 14U A State tournaments. They have set a very high bar for how a tournament is conducted. Thank you all for your hard work.

Evaluations/Mentoring/Scheduling

We completed about 170 evaluations, and 107 mentor slots, we had 38 new officials take games in D5. We assigned approximately 1800 games totaling about 3950 slots. Thanks to Tom Hanson, and Jeff Carlen for their efforts to be sure each games is covered by the correct officials.

Game Reports/Incident Reports

We ended with a total of 25 Incident Reports, the break down is below.

There were 14 reports written on coaches either for bench minor penalties or comments made after the game and the score sheet was signed.

There were seven fan ejections.

There were four reports for injuries.

We ended with a total of 38 game reports this is down from 42 reports last season. The break down is below.

Game Misconducts

Ten went to coaches.

Five under rule 404, the 15 penalty rule.

Five under rule 601, Abuse to Officials.

Twenty Five went to players.

Two for rule 404, the 5 penalty rule.

Two for rule 601, Abuse to Officials.

Thirteen for rule 607, Checking From Behind.

One for rule 608, Butt-Ending

Five for rule 613, Fisticuffs

Two for rule 617, High Sticks

Match Penalties

One for rule 601 (g) (1), Deliberately inflicting physical harm to an official.

One for rule 603 (a) attempt to injure an opponent. (Slash to the neck area)

One 623 (b) kicking

Seminar Schedule

Date	Level	Location	Time
September 26th	1 & 2	Monticello Middle School	8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
October 5th	3	Buffalo Civic Center (Arena)	6:00 PM - 10:00 PM
October 10th	1 & 2	Litchfield Arena	8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
October 14th	3	Hutchinson Event Center	6:00 PM - 10:00 PM
October 18th	1,2, & 3	Willmar Arena	1 & 2 3 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM Noon - 4:00 PM

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I believe we had a successful season, and I appreciate everyone's help, guidance and understanding as I made my way through my first season as Supervisor. I am always open for constructive comments on how we can deliver a better product to D5 youth hockey. Please let me know any comments you may have.

Old Business:

- 1) 12uA played 12uB – discussed, purpose was to see if some of the B level teams can play at the A level. B teams did pick up the pace after skating with the A teams. Currently D-5 has 3 solid 12uA teams, will have a league if we can have 5 teams.
- 2) Voting on Motions - ballots distributed to all association and executive board members, results below, all proposals passed.
 - 1) 14 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstain: Implement 15 minute periods for all 12u level games within any league being offered within District 5.
 - 2) 11 Yes, 3 No, 1 Abstain: On a go forward basis, implement 15 minute periods for the Pee wee C level, as piloted this past season.
 - 3) 9 Yes, 5 No, 1 Abstain: Amend the District 5 Mite move up policy to follow MN Hockey policy, but retain “must play at lowest level offered” aspect. (2/3 of team must be age appropriate).
 - 4) 13 Yes, 2 No, 0 Abstain: If 15 minute periods for 12u passes; add a resurface between 2nd and 3rd periods.
 - 5) 14 Yes, 1 No, 0 Abstain: Add a resurface between 2nd and 3rd periods for 14u league in District 5.
 - 6) 7 Yes, 3 No, 5 Abstain: Accept Official's Game Fee Summary increases presented at March meeting. (please note, executive board members will abstain from this vote)
 - 7) 13 Yes, 1 No, 1 Abstain: District 5 to purchase one sled to donate to disabled hockey league.
- 3) Season wrap up discussion – If comments on weather policy, let Tim know, also Mike Graham is moving out of state.

New Business:

- 1) Elections
 - President - Tim Hanson, no further nominations
 - First VP – Brian Johnson, no further nominations
 - Treasurer – Robert Hantge, no further nominations
 - “White ballot”, unanimous, all members re-elected.
- 2) Distributed plaques and medals.
- 3) We are off until August, if associations need help this summer with transitions or other items, please ask for it.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM, motion by Sartel, Buffalo seconds.

Next meeting Wednesday August 5, 2009, 7:30 PM at Daniels in Cokato.

Submitted by Kurt Lofrano.