

District 5

Meeting Minutes

October 7, 2009

Meeting called to order by Tim Hanson at 7:12 PM, Crow River absent.

Secretary's Report: Presented by Kurt Lofrano, September minutes on website and distributed to association presidents week after meeting. **River Lakes motion; LDC second** – secretary's report approved.

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Robert Hantge, distributed report summary. Checking balance \$14,406.22, savings \$15,343.89. Tax returns are complete and have been filed, copies distributed and will also retain with minutes. **LDC motion; Mound second** – treasurer's report approved.

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

- 1) Registration process
 - a) Being completed on-line.
 - b) Screening forms are needed no later than roster signing day, can get in sooner.
- 2) Roster Approval date - 11/7/09
 - a) Traveling teams PW and above only on that date, also 10uA, as they skate earlier. Squirts and Mites to be done at a later date.
 - b) Make sure that your coordinators review the requirement sheet.
 - c) No games allowed without approved rosters.
 - d) Registration requirements and appointment times will be posted.
- 3) Housekeeping
 - a) Need e-directory info from MAML.
 - b) Still need some association tax returns to validate they have been filed (have from Hutch., Willmar, LDC and River Lakes)
- 4) MN Hockey Fall meeting summary
 - a) Redistricting – Maroon Directors, seven county area directors and D-5 will meet for a proposal, trying to meet this month, may ask for some support from association presidents.
 - b) President Green is redoing participation rules, looking for next year. D-5 already has a good policy, aligning waivers with school districts.
- 5) Instruct managers to review D-5/MN Hockey Handbooks.
- 6) Buffalo and Crow River – Need Metro Hockey League rep.
- 7) Mite Policy Proposals – received proposals from Mound, MAML, LDC, and STMA also has one. Mound and MAML presented in writing, LDC and STMA verbally discussed and will e-mail summaries to Doug. Doug will review and look at for changes to D-5 Mite/Termite policies, will try to have by October 15. Doug also requested total Mite/Termite numbers from each association, MAML, Buffalo, LDC, Mound and STMA provided at meeting. Some additional open discussion, Doug's primary concerns are full ice games and "game creep" in number of games played.
- 8) Girl's report – presented by Doug Foster, presented summary below:
 1. Recruitment Meeting: Had a conference call in September to finalize the Recruitment and Retention Binder. Needs to go out for 3 bids and then will be printed.
 2. Girls Coordinators-Have all contact information. Emailed out to all the coordinators.
 3. Girls State meeting: Went very smooth and we were done in two hours. Region Bids are now being figured out by number of teams in each league.
 - a) Handout-Girls teams by Division and Leagues.
 4. Important Dates for 10UA and 14UA teams playing District 10
 - a) Thursday October 8th at 7:00 pm/Champlin Forum-14UA Game Scheduling
 - b) Saturday October 10th at 9:00 am/Champlin Forum-10A Game Scheduling
 - c) Tuesday November 3rd at 7:00 pm/Champlin American Legion-14UA Head Coaches/Manager Meeting-Mandatory
 - d) Sunday November 15th at 9:00 am/Fogerty Arena-10UA Head Coaches/Manager Meeting-Mandatory
 - e) League Play Starts: 14UA-11/15/09, 10UA-11/16/09
 5. Important Dates For District 5 Girls Leagues
 - a) November 13, 2009-League Play can start for 12UA and 12UB. Must be finished by 2/14/09

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- b) December 4, 2009-League Play can Start for 10UB
- 6. Doug also distributed a summary of all girl's teams and leagues in the state.
- 9) Tournament Coordinator – Jeff Carlin: Jeff hosted a tournament coordinator meeting tonight, 3 associations not present, LDC, MAML and Willmar. No associations have signed up for yearend Squirt tournament yet.

Coaches' Report: Presented by Brian Johnson.

- 1) Coaches Clinics:
 - a) Three Level 1 clinics in district, Oct. 10, 8 AM Hutch / Nov. 4, 6 PM Delano / Nov. 7, 8 AM Litch. Need helmets and sticks.
 - b) Level 2 in district, Oct. 24, 8 AM, Litch.
 - c) Level 3 in district, Oct. 31, 8 AM, Litch.
 - d) Link on website, many more clinics in the metro area.
- 2) ACE meeting last Wednesday, will have a fall development goalie camp, distributed flyers, Steve Carroll and Justin Johnson. 6 goalies per association, 12u/PW age and up. Cost \$150 per association, includes jersey, 1 hour classroom, and 1 hour on ice. Invite coaches to watch, want to hear feedback, possibly expand next year if positive feedback.

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

Seminars

The Monticello seminar held on 9/26 had 59 level one's and 22 level two officials attend for a total of 81 officials attending this seminar.

Buffalo level three seminar held last Monday, 10/5 had a total of 34 officials attend, not bad considering it was the same night as the Packers vs. Vikings game.

Litchfield level one and two seminar is this Saturday, 10/10. As of now there are 18 level ones and nine level twos are registered.

Hutchinson level three is scheduled for 10/14. As of today 35 officials are registered.

Willmar level one, two, and three is scheduled for 10/18. As of today we have 11 level ones, five level two's, and nine level three's.

Instructors for Seminars

Darren Glur, Rick Nelson, Bill Breeden, Nick Ungaro, Steve Kirshbaum, and Kelli Rolstad, Olympics. Brian Johnson Jeff Carlen, Brandon Geyen, Pat Seeby, Michael Kephart, Brian McAvoy, and Tom Hanson are helping out on the ice.

On Ice Clinic

Two Clinics on December 6th, the first will be held at Paynesville, ice time will be from 10:00 – 11:00am class room from 11:15am – 12:15pm.

Clinic two will be at Buffalo, ice time will be at 4:15 – 5:30pm with class room from 5:45 – 6:45pm.

Rick Nelson will head up this clinic.

J.B. Olson has asked to help mentor our grassroots officials and help to prepare our officials to advance to higher levels. Kelli Rolstad has offered her free time to help mentor our grassroots level officials and help to prepare our officials to advance to higher levels, concentrating on the female officials in D5.

Coaches meeting

If you would like me to address your coaches concerning the new rules please let me know.

Off-Ice Officials

I will be contacting the association presidents to set up manages/off-ice officials meetings. STMA has already contacted me with a date in November.

On Ice Issues

I will discuss any issue about officiating, preferably with a coach I will also speak with a board member. The one think I will ask is that there will be enough time between the incident and the discussion to remove all the emotion out of the conversation. If our officials are not performing their job correctly we need to hear about it so it can be corrected.

Looking forward to the start of the season.

Old Business:

- 1) Scheduling - generally went fairly well. Schedulers feedback – they all felt under the gun with additions/substitute teams, they would like to see a drop dead date at least one week prior to scheduling

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meeting. There were 15 changes prior to current deadline and one after. Scheduling meeting started at 6:45, four associations were still working when Tim left at 9:45. Will be splitting 10uB into east/west league with added teams, please pass along.

- 2) PW C District Tournament – discussed double vs. single elimination, consensus to keep double elimination.
- 3) Bantam C – not yet finalized where teams will skate, likely Crow River and Mound in D-3.

New Business:

- 1) Neck Guards – discussion regarding current policy, reviewed it came up again last season and no association made a motion to change. Any new items/changes should be brought up during the season; motions will be tabled and voted on at April meeting.
- 2) RinkWriter – Brian will get guidelines re-linked to website. For associations not using RW, teams using the software can contact other teams to get roster info. to load into program. Current version of RW does not have cumulative stats capability, can ask home to send PDF of game sheet to keep stats.

Meeting adjourned at 8:24 PM, motion by Hutch., second Buffalo.

Next meeting Wednesday November 4, 2009, 7:00 PM at Daniels in Cokato.

Submitted by Kurt Lofrano