

Redistricting Proposal

January 23, 2010

Redistricting Objectives

- Respond to changing demographics
- Reduce travel
- Provide competitive district league
- Respond to association requests
- Establish a practice of redistricting every two years

Redistricting Proposal

- Three Components
 - New Southeast District 9
 - Central District 5
 - Refocus District 1

Create a new Southeast District 9

Mankato – from District 4
Faribault – from District 4
Owatonna – from District 4
Albert Lea – from District 4
Waseca – from District 4
Austin – from District 4
Montgomery – from District 4
Rochester – from District 8
Red Wing – from District 8
Winona Area – from District 8
Northfield – from District 8
LaCrescent – from District 8
Dodge County – from District 8

Other related moves:

New Prague – from District 4 to District 6
Apple Valley – from District 6 to District 8
Eastview - from District 6 to District 8

St. Peter and New Ulm would move from District 4 to District 9.

Reconfigure a “Central” District 5

Buffalo
St Michael/Albertville
Sartell
Monticello
River Lakes
Hutchinson
Litchfield
Willmar
Becker – from District 10
Sauk Rapids – from District 10

St Cloud – from District 10
Little Falls – From District 15
Other related moves
 Mound/Westonka from District 5 to District 3
 Crow River from District 5 to District 3

Little Falls would like to stay in District 15 to stay more with their high school alignment.

Refocus District 1

- Focus of District 1 on “Recreation” Hockey
 - Eastside Jr Gold Program
 - “C” Programs, Edgcumbe, Langford Park
 - Minority Programs
 - Minnesota Hockey Recreation League
- Minneapolis Programs merge with District 3 or 6
 - Southwest, Washburn and City of Lakes
- St Paul Programs merge with District 2 or 8
 - Highland, Johnson and Como
- Richfield move to District 6 (merge with Kennedy)
- Irondale move to District 10
- District Director’s responsibility will include transition of associations.

City of Lakes would like to go to District 3. Highland and Johnson want to go to District 2 and Como is influx depending on who they would merge with for the coming season. Langford, Edgcumbe, Como, and the Dino Mights would like to stay as they are and not make any changes.

Spreadsheets were included in the packets to show the existing districts, where associations would move to and then the new districts. There was also a graph of the numbers for the existing districts and new districts.

Representatives from St. Cloud spoke to the board on their concerns with the move to the new District 5 and expressed that they are not in favor of the move.

Rochester also had a representative at the meeting to express that they want to remain in District 8 so that they would have more equal levels of play and competitiveness.

Motion to move St. Peter and LeSueur and New Ulm to from District 4 to District 9 made by Mark Elliott, but to vote on each community separately. Motion received a second from Greg Nagan. Motion carried that St. Peter and Lesueur will become part of District 9. Motion to let New Ulm stay in District 4 was defeated.

Motion by Mark Elliott and Second by Dave Stigen that Little Falls be allowed to remain in District 15. Motion carried.

Motion that District 1 remain a District with the C programs Edgcumbe, Langford, and Dino Mights along with Wessy Boys Junior Gold to stay in District 1. Johnson and Como will be left open to make a decision as to a merge for next season and join one district. Mark Elliott made the motion with a second from Brad Hewitt. Motion carried.

Motion by Mark Elliott to bring before the board on Sunday for a vote and to review the changes on an annual basis so that changes could be voted on every two years. Second by Brad Hewitt. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted
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