

Hockey Ops
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Scott Dornfeld
Advanced 15 -See report

Terry Evavold – See submitted reports. I am in the process of completing the list Minnesota Hockey Ace coordinators list. I have created a list of goals to be completed for this year.

High School clinics-Chris Lonke-Our High School coaches clinics are set for Oct 28, 2011 up in Duluth. Our executive board met and strongly supports the no checking at Peewee level and will be meeting in August to plan for speakers to come to the October meeting educating all the coaches in regards to the no checking.

Coaches Education – Christian Kroelling

Coaching clinics when referring to level 1, 2, 3 it is now equal to years of coaching going forward from here. Modules are instructional for the level you are coaching. After the class you take track 1 the following year you will take track 2.

You can only be a level 3 for up to 6 years. You then will be required to take Level 4 and Level 5.

With levels 4 and 5 you still need to renew through taking a module. Modules are \$10.00 5 hours long and can take up to 30 days to complete as long as you have completed a section.

Online printout will be available for coaches to carry with them.

Credentials – for District, Region, State associations need to verify the CEP number on roster and check Drivers License to make sure they are the coach on the roster. Associate registers will follow up that all coaches on rosters have been educated and have been assigned CEP numbers on line on Dec 31st.

September 1st will be when the modules will be up and running.

USA Hockey has developed a New Portal for coaching on their website. This will make the interface easy for coaches.

Questions- credit for the full charge that used to get 3 years for their money.

How are we going to educate the membership on the changes to requirements for the coaches?

District Directors need to be educated to give the correct information out to the coaches. You will have to take 1 clinic. \$40.00 then takes the module \$10.00 for the level you are coaching.

Checking – Planning process to get the Checking education to the forefront when educating coaches.

4 Hours for the coaches 2 hours of ice. Clinics need to be kept down to 50.

Hal will help with skills clinics to associations. Associations need to request specific skills clinic.

District Head Coaches will be available for ongoing support.

The Coaching Modules are age specific and gender specific. Question if you have a coach that coaches Girls 12U and a Peewee team do they need to take both modules. What information will they miss when choosing one module?

District Directors would like to be prepared with as much information as possible to handle the influx of concerns and questions.

Peewee Checking – Special Discussion

Peewee Checking: Bob Mancinee did a powerful presentation at the USA Hockey meeting. Skill development and the development of the 12 Year old brain were discussed. There will be body contact as long as you are playing the puck. This is not changing to a “no contact sport”.

Dave Margenau gave a run down on the events occurred at the USA Hockey Meeting in regards to the Peewee Checking.

We are requesting to ask each district their concern or ideas regarding to the new rule.

District 1- Tom Mickus - Decision has been made. Live with it.

District 2- Michelle Effect on girls program, Concern CEP program and education program

District 3–Scott Dornfeld we need to adjust to the change, relying on USA Hockey for instruction

A lot will fall on the referees. Education for parents

District 4 – Todd for Mark - Girls and referees concerns

District 5 – Doug Girls, over all implementation of how USA Hockey will be rolling it out. Doug has concerns for the young officials on the ice. Also has concern for the real reason why USA really made this change.

District 6- no one here

District 8 – Rich Ace Coordinator his opinion. Supports the change, ADM is a positive step for all youth. Girls we need to go back to grass roots at the association level and have the girls coordinator talk with the girls and the parents. Referees need to call the game tight.

District 9- Tom – Referee is the biggest concern. We need to educate the parents.

District 10-Tim Referees are ready as they already call girls hockey and this is the same as girls hockey. I also have concerns of the CEP program as well as Other full check leagues.

District 11 – Pete he doesn't feel that their associations have a grasp on the impact how this is going to affect them. I also concern for other full check leagues.

District 12 – Girls programs, the question I have are the referees prepared?

District 15 – Referees will have issues. I feel this is a huge step for the Boys program. We need to educate the girls there will be checking in practices. We will also increase retention.

District 16 – The change is made, be positive. Educate the parents.

Scott – Hidden agenda

Dennis Green – USA hockey has been working on this rule as a Player development level for 2 years. The physical aspect came out last fall during the Concussion symposium. It wasn't until they the 2 connected.

Bruce - Has been at every Risk Management USA Hockey meeting for 16 years except for last January and the Peewee checking has never been a discussion at the meeting.

Wally – We should have been teaching body contact at the lower levels. Ask USA Hockey for a pilot project to allow checking.

Dave B – Safety is predominating in all areas of life. Allowing the girls to stay in the boys will only make the girls program better.

Michelle – The concern is for the girls that cannot have a team due to lack of numbers because of the girls that go to Peeweers.

ND – North Dakota has come to the conclusion that this is a good step.

Colleen – Agree with the girls. Keep these sheets written for this emporium and review them after a year.

Jim – Unified voice from Minnesota Hockey.

John Hack – Wisconsin. This is a really good discussion. Wisconsin may have the same problem with the Girls program.

Jerry – Offer dual roster for the girls as USA Hockey does.

Guy Gosslin – ADM Player development. We are trying to develop age appropriate training starting at 8U.

Dave Margenau – Lets do a Media blitz with education and spots.

District 8 we need to talk with the Girls and ask them to stay.

Mike Snee – People who do not really know who have an opinion. Does this help the kids develop their skills better and keep them safer. We need to trust the experts. Positives , retention, Challenges for the Girls, Do we not do this program because the girls program is in jeopardy now we need to address and sell our girls program better. Promote the positives of this program.

Dennis Green – Put a specific program that will emphasize the teaching process of checking for those Peewees.

Coaches Education –

- Per Coach and Chief report – Each association needs to validate that the coaches are teaching the body contact/checking.
- Minnesota Hockey needs to customize the training so emphasis and follow up for teaching this in each of their practices.
- To educate the girls that there will checking will continue to be taught at the peewee level. Educate coaches to support the referees.

Officials-

- USA Hockey already has materials for our training classes for the fall.
- Increase the evaluation of officials by 30%.
- District Directors also has to show support for our officials.
- Ask the officials to be consistent throughout the state.

Girls –

- Promote the girls program.
- Ask them to play.
- Educate them that checking will still be taught at the Peewee level.
- How to accommodate dual rostering or rainbow team.

Parent Education –

- Educate the parents to handle their objections.
- Media education, email, Minnesota Hockey Newsletter , website, LPH and DVD .
- Teach the parents what the coaches are being taught.
- Educate parents to allow officials time as they adopt to this change.
- Educate the parents to they understand that contact may increase in the no check Rec League.