

District 5
Meeting Minutes
December 7, 2011

Meeting called to order by President Tim Hanson at 7:03 p.m.

Attendance- All District 5 Associations were in attendance.

Secretary's Report- Tim Reuter- The minutes from the November 2, 2011 meeting were posted on the D-5 website. A motion to approve the minutes was made by STMA and seconded by River Lakes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report- Jeff Swenson- Written report attached. In January expect District playoff billing statement (for 2 games per team). If a team advances beyond 2 games the Association will be billed later.

Reminder: All District fees must be paid by Association prior to playoffs.
A motion to approve was made by River Lakes and seconded by MAML. Motion carried.

MN Hockey- Mn Hockey D-5 Director, Doug Kephart, had a separate Minnesota Hockey agenda for the meeting and it was followed.

1. Registration Process- Roster close December 31, 2011.
 - a. Compliment to registrators- Coaches difficult this year.

2. Game Counts-

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| Squirt/U-10 | 35 |
| Mites | 15 full ice |

 - a. Cannot exceed. Games are monitored.
District 5 tournament counts as 1 game, other tournaments 3, 4 or 5 (depends on number played).
 - b. If game counts are exceeded, all teams in the association could forfeit games.
 - c. Scrimmages count as games for Squirt and U-10

3. Injury Tracking-
 - a. Lagging compared to substitute goalie requests
- need monthly reports
(dryland, game, practice)

4. Zero Tolerance-
 - a. Parents beware about language

5. Invitational Tournaments continue to be buyer beware!

6. Willmar PWA
 - a. Presidents will be updated soon
 - b. Will play top 6 PWA teams in District only once (continue to play others as scheduled).
Adjustment for remaining games for top 6 District teams.
 - c. Willmar must form a committee to review program to self analyze.
 - d. Brief discussion about Willmar program
7. Hutchinson Squirts
 - a. Requested Squirt B team reclassification to C team. Approval given.
8. Tournament Coordinator- Jeff Carlen
 - a. Going fairly well with registration.
-better than last year.
9. Girls Coordinator- Doug Foster
 - a. See handout.
10. Recruitment & Retention Coordinator- Doug Foster
 - a. See handout
 - b. No results yet- need to hear from Association 5.

Coaches Report- Brian Johnson-

1. Zero tolerance for coaches on bench.
-If coaches receive bench minor, then game report reviewed by Brian.
2. Remember trying to recruit and retain officials
-Coaches respect officials
-Coaches are role models to the players so watch it.
3. MN Youth Foundation
-Pond Hockey event- See handout.

Referee Report- Mike Mooney-

1. Level one clinic last Sunday
 - a. Numbers down- 7 kids Paynesville
12 kids Buffalo
 - b. Increased Ice time for clinic and went well
 - c. Training video was used
2. Game reports-
 - a. 9 game misconducts
 - b. 1 match penalty
 Concerning...
 - 1 abuse of officials
 - 4 fighting
 - 5 bench minors

- c. Incident reports- 3 with contact to head (potential concussions)
- d. West Suburban Officials Association
- Now appointed another assistant for scheduling

Hutchinson question regarding PeeWee checking

Answer:

- a. No concerns yet from official's point of view.
- b. Doug Kephart expressed concern coaches are not addressing checking. Required to teach at PeeWee in practice.
- c. Brian- referenced video on USA Hockey website for body contact.
- have kids watch video

STMA comment-

Parent of 2nd year PeeWee letter read at meeting regarding outstanding job by officials for body contact. See Attached.

Association member expressed concern over PWA parents from another Association getting rowdy and unnecessarily loud.

Response: Parent code of conduct potential violation,
Referees can take action, but coaches need to address and be more proactive.

Old Business:

- A. Playoff Ice Time
Should be released by next meeting. Preliminary sent out to schedulers. Please review and comment.
- B. Squirt and U-10 drawing for playoffs 6:30 p.m. next meeting

New Business: No new business.

Sartell question to clarify game numbers for Jamborees.

Answer- Yes count each game if played full ice.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m. upon motion of Buffalo and seconded by St. Cloud. Motion carried.

Submitted by Tim Reuter



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Treasurer's Report

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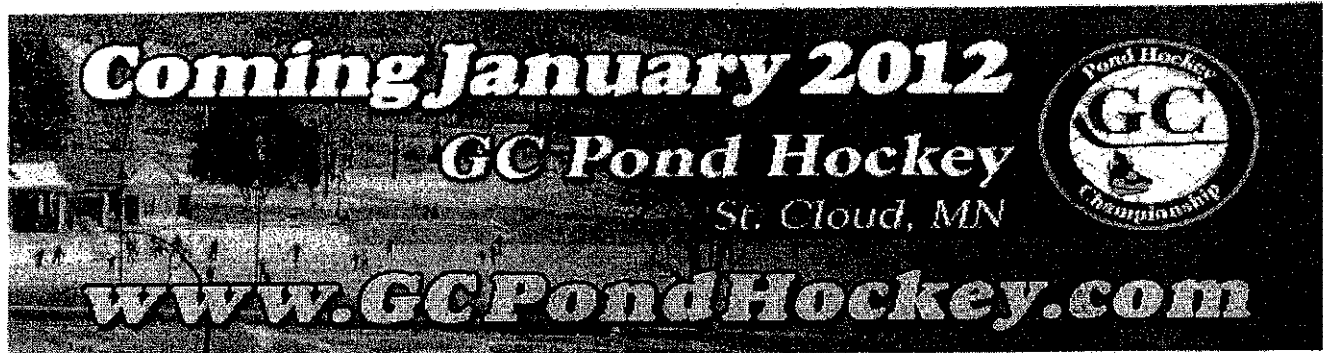
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| Checking Account (Citizens Bank) | \$47,411.36 |
| Catastrophic Failure Savings (CD – Citizens Bank) renewed 3/4/10 31 mo. 2% | \$16,097.38 |

Action Items:

MN YOUTH FOUNDATION

PRESENTS



Coming January 2012
GC Pond Hockey
St. Cloud, MN
www.GCPondHockey.com

Located in the center of downtown St Cloud, MN, Lake George is the perfect setting for a Pond Hockey tournament.

Come and enjoy the "Hockey Lodge" which will be serving hot food and your favorite beverage.

There will be five pond hockey divisions to accommodate all skill levels, Open Division, Rink Rat Division, 35+ Division, 50+ Division and Women's division.

Please check out the web site at www.gcpondhockey.com and be sure to like us on Facebook at Granite City Pond Hockey championships.

This event is brought to you by MN Youth Foundation.

Minnesota Youth Foundation is a non profit corporation that was organized in May of 2011 with the goal of making athletic activities more accessible to area youth.

Minnesota Youth Foundation's goal is to raise funds through special events and use the proceeds to benefit the local Park and Recreation Department and other area non-profit organizations that pertain to youth athletic based activities in order to promote and develop healthy habits and lifestyles.

The first such event is the Granite City Pond Hockey Championships which will be held in St. Cloud MN. at the Lake George area facility and grounds on January 20th-22nd, 2012 and will become an annual event. The intent will be to grow this event into a winter festival to include a variety of activities that will be designed to allow for more community involvement.

MN Youth Foundation will accomplish this by soliciting funds through sponsorships, contributions and donations from local, statewide and national companies. These funds will be used to acquire assets such as pond hockey rink boards, goals, shovels, ice resurfacing equipment, ect. along with various advertising media. The proceeds will then be used to enhance area youth programs.

Kurt (STMA D5 Rep)

Just a note to have you pass along to our D-5 referees. As a parent of a second year P-Wee I would like to share my viewpoint. I must admit that I was very apprehensive for the upcoming season as to how the officiating would handle the non checking agenda. This years summer and fall leagues had a mixed bag of huge discrepancy in making body contact calls. Differing interpretations from official to official.

I am please to say: the officiating thus far in our D-5 PWA league has been outstanding in the regards of keeping consistency with in game to game call making & specifically interpretation of body contact.

Our skaters are catching on to body play vs checking with minimal obscurity.

Will you please pass along my thoughts and gratitude to D-5 officials?

Sincerely,
John Kelly STMA PWA Dad



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GIRLS NOTES DECEMBER 7, 2011

1. Advance 15 Meeting: Sunday December 11, at the Kelly Inn in St. Cloud: 9:30 am.
 - A. 1997 Birthdates: I need the Names, Addresses, Phone Numbers, Parents Names for each girl born in 1997 for both 14UA and High School Teams
 - B. Send to: Doug Foster
dougfooster@mwpsales.com
612-281-5732

RETENTION/RECRUITMENT

1. Try Hockey for Free Results: 741 Participants in 44 associations. The average was 16.84 participants per association. The High participation was in Mankato, with 54 kids.
2. In October, I sent out a note to each President to reach out and contact each player/parent that didn't sign back up this season and to report back some of their findings. Please send back to me at dougfooster@mwpsales.com
I STILL NEED TO HEAR RESULTS.
3. Teleconference Call will be scheduled in the next week.