

## **District 5 Meeting Minutes**

July 10, 2012

Association(s) absent: Willmar

Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm by President Hanson.

### **Secretary's Report**

- Motion to approve – Sauk Rapids
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – STMA
- Unanimously approved

### **Treasurer's Report – Jeff Swenson**

- Detailed report of checking balance and CD numbers
- Currently compiling information for CPAs for fiscal year ending June 30, 2012
- Motion to approve – Sauk Rapids
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – STMA
- Unanimously approved

### **Granite City Pond Hockey Championships – Gary Hines and John Swanson**

- January 25-27, 2013 on Lake George in St. Cloud
- Looking at a youth level of pond hockey tournament
- Would like D5 not to schedule games or tournaments that weekend
- 8 player teams
- 4 on 4 format, two 15 minute halves
- Could play 2 to 3 games in a day
- Mites through Bantams – male/females on same team
- Youth level will just be on Friday night and Saturday
- 12 rinks will be used (60' x 120')
- 4000 sq ft heated tent
- Granite City Brewery does the food
- Registration starts July 15<sup>th</sup>
  - \$125-150/team
  - Fee progressively rises to a cap of \$225
- MN Youth Foundation runs the tournament
  - Non-profit group that gives money back to local associations for recruitment of players and outdoor rinks
- [www.gcpondhockey.com](http://www.gcpondhockey.com)

### **MN Hockey Report – Doug Kephart**

- Presidents meeting prior to the next Board meeting
  - August 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 pm – Board meeting begins at 7:00 pm
- Open Appointments
  - Girls Coordinator
  - Mite Coordinator

- Send names to Doug of people who may be interested in these positions
- Doug Foster
  - Appointed the USA Women/Girls representative for MN Hockey
- D5 Bylaw Changes
  - First reading
  - Most changes came from MN Hockey and Jerry DeMeo because of financial problems in other districts
- AA/A Process
  - AA (Buffalo, MAML, St. Cloud, STMA, Becker/Big Lake, and River Lakes)
  - A (Hutchinson, LDC, Sartell, Sauk Rapids, and Willmar)
  - Only for post-season playoffs
  - Regular season tournaments cannot be restricted
    - Host controls who plays
    - All are classified as "A" tournaments
  - Read through 2013 MN Hockey Tournaments handout
  - Read Classification Change request form
  - D5 deadline for change request if Friday, August 10, 2012
  - Approved as 1 year pilot program
- Shared D4/D5 Bantam and Pee wee leagues
  - Executive Board decided this will happen at a summer meeting
  - There will be 2 tiers to the leagues
  - "A" Regions
    - D5 has 2 seeds and D4 has 3 seeds
      - 5 teams will be seeded to Regions out of our league
    - Consists of Districts 4, 5 and 9
  - Shared league is because of the same redistricting issues from last year
- Recruitment and Retention
  - Watch for grants from MN Hockey
  - If you are doing something in this area, let Doug Kephart and know and he will try and obtain funds
- Tournament Coordinator – Jeff Carlen
  - No changes from last year
- Initial Team Declarations will be at the August 1 meeting
- Final Team Declarations date has not yet been set

#### **Old Business**

- None

#### **New Business**

- None

Meeting adjourned at 8:46 pm by Sauk Rapids

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Johnson