



Minnesota Hockey Board of Directors
Sunday, April 13, 2014
Marriott – Minneapolis, St. Louis Park

Meeting was called to order by President Dave Margenau at 8:00AM

Roll Call was taken by Recording Secretary Rhonda Madsen.

Board Members in Attendance:

President Dave Margenau	Director Scott Dornfeld	Scott Riopelle for Director Mark Elliott
Past President Dennis Green	Director Doug Kephart	Director Ralph Hayne
Vice President David Bakke	Chris Evans for Director Brad Hewitt	Director Scott Macho
Vice President Terry Evavold	Nick Nyhus for Director Rich Rakness	Director Nancy Wefler
Vice President John Perry	Director Tom Christenson	HS Girls Director Tim Morris
Vice President Scott Gray	Colleen Donovan for Director Tim Timm	Director Dave Swenson
Vice President Dave Stigen	Director Pete Hill	Director Antonia Gillen
Director Tom Mickus	Director Steve Oleheiser	Referee Section Director Eric Olson
Director Jake Reinseth	Director Dennis Bushy	

Staff Present: Executive Director Glen Andresen, Financial Administrator Kathy Hayes and Communications Marketing Assistant Derek Ricke

Minnesota District Representatives in Attendance:

Dave Margenau, Director	Steve Oleheiser, Director	John Perry, Director
Dennis Green, Director	Bruce Kruger, Risk Manager	Doug Foster, Girls/Women's' Section Rep
Toni Gillen, Disabled Hockey	Diane Ytuarte, Registrar	Steve Tatro, Referee in Chief

Guests: North Dakota Amateur Hockey Association President Greg Evanson

The voting quorum was announced. With 26 members present, simple majority is 14, two-thirds majority is 18.

Minutes for the January 26, 2014 meeting were distributed and were approved as submitted.

Agenda Additions or Changes: None

Treasurer's Report: Secretary-Treasurer DeMeo was not present, President David Margenau reported on Financial Statement through March 31. Report is unaudited and subject to adjustments. There were no significant changes since the last meeting. The available cash is \$1,760,328 as of March 31, 2014 as compared to \$1,169,171 as of December 31, 2013, which is normal with our business process. Net income increased from \$460,763 to \$529,446 during that period. The Profit & Loss Budget

versus the Actual through March 31, 2014 we've received 60% of our projected revenues against 33% of projected expenses. We expect to meet our projected budget without any deviations.

President's Report: President Margenau did not have a formal report to present, but thanked everyone for their diligent work that has been accomplished the past two days.

Executive Director's Report: Executive Director Andresen submitted a written report which is attached hereto and incorporated into these minutes.

Mr. Andresen thanked Kathy Hayes and Derek Ricke for all of their planning and behind the scenes arrangements for the banquet.

The MNH golf tournament will be held at Bunker Hills in Coon Rapids on July 22nd.

Watch for information regarding the Little Wild Learn to Play program, which will be announced in the near future.

Committee Reports

Administrative Management: President Margenau reported that the committee has not met and there was nothing to report.

Adults: Director Swenson reported that their registrations have increased and that his budgetary numbers look good.

Adult Women: Director Wefler reported that they will be having elections. Four teams participated in National's in Florida.

New Programs/Business Development: The team is in process of interviewing field members for more input on new programs.

Disabled Hockey: Director Gillen thanked Eric Olson for stepping up during the sled hockey tournament in Blaine. Thank you to the MNH Board for supporting the first disabled recognition award at the banquet.

Competition Committee: Vice President Perry submitted a written report which is attached hereto and incorporated into these minutes.

District Directors: Director Oleheiser reported for the committee.

A proposal from the Tournament Committee has been request for Regional Squirt/10U year end tournamnets to be reviewed at the Summer meeting.

Changes to the MH rest rule has been referred to the Rules Committee to bring in line with the USA Hockey rest rule. There's been request to change the designation of the Region Tournaments from North, South, East & to something different.

New Spare/Replacement Goalie forms were discussed.

If anyone is interested in participating on the Competition Committee, see John Perry.

District 1 – Director Mickus reported they are working on their affiliate agreement.

D1 is seeing growth in three out of four Associations.

Associations are taking advantage of the grants being offered.

District 2 – Director Reinseth reported that North St. Paul is in the process of co-oping with Johnson-Como.

Irondale and Moundsview are going to co-op, D2 and D10 will be involved. .

District 3 – Director Dornfeld reported that they hosted the Squirt/10U Tournament of Champions. D3 present a check to Disabled Hockey.

District 4 – Not in attendance.

District 5 – Director Kephart reported that he did not seek reelection for the District Director position. Their newly elected District Director is Steve Gipinski .

District 6 – Chris Evans reporting for Director Hewitt.

District 6 hosted the Jr. Gold State Tournament, which went well and all teams were well behaved.

The girls program in Bloomington wants to pull out and form their own affiliate, which they will be meeting with D6 this summer about.

District 8 – Nick Nyhus reporting for Director Rakness stated they have nothing to report.

District 9 – Director Christenson reported that he is working with Christian Koelling to fill their open CIC position and is working with Eric Olson to fill their open RIC position.

District 10 – Colleen Donovan reporting for Director Timm.

D10 had their annual board meeting, where Tim Timm retired as their District Director and Colleen Donovan was elected as the new District Director; Mark Osmondson will be the new President; and there were no changes on the remainder of the board. Email addresses for the new positions have been transferred over.

D10 will be working with D2 regarding the Irondale/Moundsview proposed coop.

District 10 hosted the Bantam A/AA State Tournaments, which went very well.

District 11 – Director Hill reported that tournaments will be assigned at their next meeting.

District 12 – Director Oleheiser reported that there was a hearing for abuse of officials infraction..

D12 had elections and Director Oleheiser was re-elected.

District 15 – Director Bushy reported that their annual meeting and elections will be held on May 7, 2014.

D15 has established a Hockey Committee within the District that consists of 11 members (one from each association) and will serve on the committee for a two year term. The first item on the agenda will be the handbook.

District 16 – Scott Riopelle reporting for Director Elliott stated they have nothing to report.

Director Oleheiser will send out a memo requesting feedback regarding the participation rule and open enrollment. The input gathered will be brought forth at the summer meeting.

Diversity: Director Mickus reported that they presented a \$1,000 diversity grant to the Dino Mights

Recently, Scott Harmon, Director of the Dino Mights met with, Director Mickus, VP Perry, Exec Director Andresen and President Margenau to discuss how MH might better support the Dino Mights program. One of the issues Scott raised was the requirement to provide birth certificates, it was pointed out that our current rules exempt players on House and Recreational teams from submitting proof of date of birth or proof of legal residency for non-US citizens.

Executive Committee: President Margenau reported that the committee endorsed the addition of a non-voting Legal Advisor board position which will provide recommendations to the board and committees regarding policies, rulemaking and will assist in the engagement of outside legal counsel. This new position will be referred to the Rules Committee in June for the by-law change.

Outside legal counsel will be reviewing the MH Bylaws for compliance with MN Statutes dealing with non-profit organizations on a pro-bono basis this Summer

The fall meeting will be held at Craguns in Brainerd.

We have received three requests for fielding Tier 1 teams: MN Blades - Minneapolis Storm organization; Northern Wings – Hermantown; and Northern Educate (Hockey Academy) . There will be a meeting with representatives of Northern Educate on April 14, 2014 to learn more about their request. Upon discussing the potential impact the expansion of Tier 1 hockey may have on their Minnesota community based model, the direction provided by the Executive Committee is that we should take no action on these requests until we knew the outcome of the Tier 1 USA Hockey Annual Congress agenda item.

Concerns about registration/screening/CEP certification of HP Program coaches was discussed. All HP coaches are registered and screened. Because of timing of when an HP coach is identified and the availability of CEP Clinics it is not always possible that HP coaches meet the CEP certification requirements. In the cases where coaches do not meeting the CEP certification requirements “temp cards” are issued. Fofforts will be made to have HP coaches meet the CEP certification requirements in the future.

Nick Nyhus is appointed to the position of Tournament Committee Chair after the summer meeting.

USA Hockey requested that each affiliate have an ADM Coordinator position to work with the Regional ADM. MNH has assigned co-coordinator positions to Wes Bolin, who will be responsible for the coaching and training on ice functions, and Mark Palmer, who will responsible for the communications and education to associations.

Finance and Budget: Director Kephart, on behalf of the Finance and Budget Committee, unanimously is making a motion recommending that the Board ratify the Committee’s decision to accept the proposal submitted by BMO Harris Bank to consolidate our finances in a program which will competitively meet our operational needs for checking and savings accounts and will invest all of our reserve funds in certificates of deposit (CDs) in manner that keeps them in a reasonably liquid state, while securing them per the current requirements of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.
Discussion, Vote, Motion Carried.

Girls League: Vice President Perry thanked everyone who hosted the Girls Regional Tournament.

Grievance Committee: Director Oleheiser reported that there is currently a grievance that will be addressed in the coming weeks.

High School Boys: Director Macho submitted a written report which is attached hereto and incorporated into these minutes. “Nothing Compares, No Place Like Home” campaign is now officially trademarked.
HP Programs are in progress. Received a lot of positive feedback regarding the player/parent summit.
Discussions on eliminating racial or offending remarks will be addressed with coaches, who in turn will address with players.

An article was published regarding the low attendance at the State Tournaments and the large number of players that left HS. The number of kids leaving HS continues to be monitored. There will be a rebuttal article as to the numbers that were stated in the Star Tribune article.

High School Girls: Director Morris reported that the focus has been to work with HS coaches regarding CEP certification issues.

1,200 girls have participated in MNH HP programs.

Need everyone to help increase the Girls State Tournament attendance. If possible, try not to schedule your District Tournaments during that weekend. Girls State Tournament 2015 is February 19-21; Boys State Tournament 2015 is March 4-7.

There is a struggle with coaching turnover. There are currently 12 head coaching changes to date.

Working with the MSHSL regarding Parent Education.

Working with Scott regarding hazing/harassment issues.

Hockey Operations: Vice President Evavold submitted a written report which is attached hereto and incorporated into these minutes.

Handbook: Committee Chair Halverson has nothing to report.

Jr. Gold: Director Kruger reported that the Gold Region currently has three teams and may have a fourth.

D2 staffed the play-down games, in which there were 42 teams and 47 games.

D6 hosted the State Tournament, which went well.

Juniors: Director Hayne reported that the National Tournament was held in Connecticut this year.

There are no new Junior teams in Minnesota this year. There was a new team added to the MNJHL in Ironwood, Michigan.

The Lakers team is relocating from Edina to Forest Lake for the 14-15 season..

The AAU organization has increased the number of imports (players from outside of US) to a maximum of 12 playing on a Junior team..

The league is currently restructuring. As of May 3rd, there will no longer be a President. The Commissioner will be assuming the President responsibilities as well as his own.

MIAMA: President Margenau reporting for Director Rackness.

Thanked Director Rackness for making arrangements for having the two speakers yesterday addressing the issue of Freon 12 in arena refrigeration systems and the need for state funding for assist communities/arenas to modernize their systems in the future. We need to be provided with information so that we can contact our legislators with.

Marketing and Communication: Vice President Gray submitted a written report which is attached hereto and incorporated into these minutes.

Membership/Development: A written report was submitted which is attached hereto and incorporated into these minutes.

Recreational Hockey: Director Mickus reported that there is a meeting scheduled in three weeks with all coaches.

Practices are poorly attended.

People are very happy with the communications provided with Derek's assistance.

The attendance increased at the year end festival.

Approximate 20-30 players return to association hockey from the Rec League.

We will be meeting with the Herb Brooks Foundation regarding the Recreational League. The league is growing, but ice remains the number one issue.

Referees: Referee-in-Chief Olson reported that the Referee meeting was held yesterday.

An issue of concern is complaints coming in that referees need to be sure that calls are being made. Eric affirmed that calls are being made; however, there are some behavior changes that need to be worked on. There will be education provided for the referees regarding the difference in roughing versus head contact penalties and when to apply them. There will be a change in the game misconduct and serious penalty reporting procedure. Trying to simplify the reporting process.

When officials are on the ice, they are still in development.

Dennis Alm, South VP, Brian Thul, Secretary and David Nyquist, Treasurer were re-elected.

Two supervisors have stepped down – one from D15, which John Rice will be assuming and the other from D9, which there is no replacement for as of yet.

Working with the Super Rink to set something up so when out state officials come in to work tournaments, they can stay in the dorms, providing they are available.

Dennis Alm is the liaison for the Metro League and Officials Association.

MNH is currently paying for the officials' screening costs, which is going to change and be put on the officials to pay for. It is getting harder to retain officials when more costs are being put on them. Steve from USA Hockey shared that they are seeking proposals for screening costs.

We had 111 officials working at the State Tournaments.

We will be holding a Model Experience mini-camp for upcoming officials and others interested.

MOHA Camp will be held in St. Cloud for both men and women.

Regional Coordinators: Vice President Stigen (Gold Region) reported that the Tournaments went well, with the exception in NW Minnesota where there were no hotel rooms available. In the tournament rules it states to set aside blocks of rooms and those hosting should look ahead for conflicting events being held.

Vice President Perry (Maroon Region) reported that the Tournaments went well but encourages that the information gets sent out to the hosts as soon as possible.

Working on affiliate agreements with D1.

Spare/Replacement Goalie forms were distributed for review.

Will be meeting with D6 regarding the Bloomington girls forming their own affiliate.

Committee was formed to study the AA Leagues.

Safety: On behalf of the Safety Committee, Hal Tarse submitted a written report which is attached hereto and incorporated into these minutes.

Scholarships: Vice President Gray reported that Lynn Olson is retiring as Chair of the Scholarship Committee and recognized her for her years of serving as the committee chair. The committee needs a Chair and anyone interested should contact VP Gray.

Screening: Nothing to report.

Rules: Chairman Halverson reported that the Rules Committee met in March and are bringing forward the following rule change proposals:

Bylaw change B1 proposes to Remove current combined Secretary/Treasurer position and add separate positions with brief job descriptions

ARTICLE 7 - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

[B1] **Vice Presidents:** The five four individuals serving as Vice Presidents shall be responsible for Hockey Operations, Planning, Publicity/Promotion, Gold Division Coordinator and Maroon Division Coordinator. Each Vice President shall be elected to their specific position and ensure that their area is organized and expanded with the assistance of the District Directors.

~~**Secretary/Treasurer:** The Secretary/Treasurer shall keep the records of the association, answer correspondence, issue notices of meetings and perform the duties usual to the office. In addition, he/she or his/her designee shall receive all moneys of the association and deposit same in an FDIC bank selected by the Finance Committee, and shall oversee the proper keeping of the books of accounts and the paying of all approved bills, under the general direction of the Board of Directors.~~

Secretary: The Secretary shall maintain the records of MH, issue notices of board meetings, record minutes of board meetings, preserve all official documents and perform other duties customary of the office of secretary.

Treasurer: The Treasurer shall be responsible for all MH financial activities in accordance with MH Financial Policies and perform other duties customary to the office of Treasurer.

Officers: The officers of this corporation shall be Directors at Large of the Board of Directors and shall be the President, Immediate Past President, ~~Secretary/Treasurer~~, **Secretary, Treasurer** and not more than five four Vice Presidents. Officers may be selected from the membership of the Board or any adult resident of Minnesota who supports and can further the purposes of the corporation. Separate elections shall be held for each open position, with the successful candidate being the person receiving at least a simple majority of the votes cast. If a simple majority is not reached, the candidate receiving the least votes shall be dropped and the position re-voted. The officers shall have such powers and duties as prescribed by the Board of Directors. Such officers along with two District Directors appointed by the President shall constitute the Executive Committee. An officer may also be an elected member of the Board of Directors but such officer shall be entitled to only one vote.

The Committee recommended changes defined as B1 to be approved as presented. **Motion carried Unanimously**

Rule change R1 proposed to change MH Youth Rules and Regulations, Section X to clarify first place games.

J. BREAKING OF TIES

[R1] 2. Exception: For State Tournament final (first-place) games and regional games which are either first-place games or games that seed teams directly to the state tournament, the following overtime format shall be used. The teams shall not change goals during the entire overtime.

a. A two minute rest, then a first sudden-victory overtime period – ten minutes – five on five

b. A two minute rest, then a second sudden-victory overtime period – ten minutes – five on five

c. Resurface the ice, then conduct additional ten-minute sudden-victory overtime periods, as needed, five on five, with two-minute rests between periods and resurfacing after every three periods.

This plan of play shall continue until one team scores. If the teams remain tied after three ten minute periods of sudden victory overtime, the tournament director, in the best interest of the tournament, has the option of suspending the game and completing it at a later time.

The Committee recommends change defined in R1 to be approved as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Rule change R2 proposed to change MH Youth Rules and Regulations, Section X, to place restriction on State Tournament hosts.

O. LOCATION/FORMAT/GAME SCHEDULE - The location (community and arena) of each regional and state tournament must be submitted by the hosting District Director or the cognizant Divisional Vice President [R2] to the Tournaments Committee Chair on or before the MH Summer Meeting. **Each State Tournament must be hosted at a site of an association that fielded at team at that level in the prior season.** The tournament formats, including tournament dates and game times must be submitted to the Tournaments Committee Chair no later than November 1 in the year preceding the tournament. If the above requirements are not met, the Tournaments Committee Chair shall notify the cognizant Divisional Vice President within five days following the deadline. The cognizant Divisional Vice President is responsible for resolving the problem. This resolution must be accomplished within fifteen days and the Tournaments Committee Chair is to be so notified. For Region and State tournaments with elimination-brackets, the team on the top of the bracket is home. For round-robin tournaments, the home team shall be clearly indicated.

The Committee brings forward changes defined in R2 for approval. **Motion is defeated**

Rule change R3A proposed to change MH Youth Rules and Regulations, Section XI, to require sanctioning of invitational tournaments which use arenas in more than one district to require approval of Directors from each of the District where the arenas are located.

[R3A] A. All invitational tournaments that involve teams from more than one MH district, including tournaments played outdoors on natural ice, must be sanctioned by MH. If the tournament will include teams from outside MH, then USA Hockey sanction is also required. **Any invitational tournament that includes sites in multiple districts must be approved by the District Directors of the districts involved.**

The Committee brings forward change defined as R3A for approval. **Motion is Defeated**

Rule change R3B proposes to change MH Youth Rules and Regulations, Section XI, to add the to the definition of a tournament "if monies are collected"

[R3B] B. An Association and/or a MH District may conduct special events as authorized by the District Director, provided that only teams from within that district participate. Special events must follow all rules for sanctioning invitational tournaments except that there is no sanction fee and these events are not subject to the January 15th sanctioning deadline. Any event involving three or more teams, excluding regularly scheduled league games, is considered to be an invitational tournament, unless the teams are all from the same district and/or the event has been authorized as a special event. **If any monies are collected or paid by teams or individuals, it shall be considered a tournament.**

The Committee brings forward rule change defined as R3B for approval. **Motion is Defeated**

Rule change R3C proposes to change MH Youth Rules and Regulations, Section XI, to add requirements and changes to Invitational Tournament sanctioning.

[R3C] C. The conditions for sanctioning invitational tournaments are as follows:

1. All teams participating must be registered with USA Hockey or another International Ice Hockey Federation (IIHF) affiliate such as the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association (CAHA).
2. Guaranteed Gate tournaments are allowed, with the understanding that the single team payment includes all tournament entry and spectator admission fees with no additional charges.
3. Invitational tournaments of the same age group and division cannot be held on the same weekend within a 50 mile radius of a MH state tournament. If more than one ice sheet is available at an arena complex, no invitational tournament may be held at that arena complex on the same weekend that a MH Regional or State Tournament is being held. If there is a conflict in dates, Invitational sponsors agree to refund entry fees of all teams which qualify for district, regional or state MH tournaments.
4. Officials must be USAH registered, and USAH playing rules and age classifications as modified by MH must be used.
5. MH Youth Rules and Regulations paragraphs entitled "Credentials" and "Medical Attention" in the District, Region and State Tournaments section apply to all invitational tournaments.
6. The MH fee to sanction an invitational tournament is \$100 for each division and classification (e.g. For a tournament with Squirt A, Peewee A, and Peewee B levels, the sanction fee is \$300).
7. If team(s) from outside of MH participate, a USA Hockey invitational tournament sanction fee is also required, consisting of one of the following:
 - a. A fee set by USA Hockey for registered teams from outside of MH
 - b. A fee set by USA Hockey for team(s) from other IIHF Federations (i.e. Canada).Note that the USA Hockey fee is per tournament, not per division/classification.
8. The following items must be submitted by ~~the~~ a sponsoring MH Association to the cognizant district director or the district tournament coordinator for preliminary approval:
 - a. Completed tournament application on the official MH sanction application form
 - b. Copy of proposed tournament rules, including tournament entry fee information
 - c. Tournament bracketing, with ice times
 - d. One check, payable to MH, for each application that includes the MH and USAH sanction fees.Applications submitted without the above items will be returned. Once preliminarily approved, applications will be forwarded to the MH Tournaments Committee Chair for final approval.
9. An application to host an invitational tournament must be received by the cognizant District Director or the district tournament coordinator no less than twenty-one (21) days prior to the scheduled first day of the tournament. Applications will not be accepted after January 15.
10. LATE APPLICATIONS - The MH tournament sanction fee for applications received less than twenty-one (21) days prior to the scheduled first day of the tournament will be \$200 for each level. Additionally, sanction applications received less than seven ten days prior to the start of a proposed tournament are subject to outright rejection or a fine of up to \$500 (in addition to the \$200 per level fee), as determined by the MH Tournaments Committee Chair.
11. Modifications to an approved application (such as changes in tournament rules, ice times, bracketing, or teams participating) must be submitted for review and approval by the MH Tournaments Committee Chair at least seven ten days prior to the start of the tournament.
12. The completed and approved sanction form and accompanying materials (tournament rules and bracketing) serve as a contract between the sponsoring affiliate and MH/USAH as to how the tournament will be conducted. Un-approved changes to this contract (such as changing brackets, game time, or rule substitutions) will be considered a sanction violation, subject to penalties defined below.
- 13. In the event of a tournament cancelation:**

a. The District Director or the Tournament Director for the district must be notified in writing no less than ten days before the start date of the tournament. USAH fees and late fees will not be returned.

b. The host may request a refund of MH tournament fees from the MH Tournaments Committee Chair, in writing, no later than thirty days after the start date of the tournament.

14. Hosting an unsanctioned tournament or violating MH and/or USA Hockey tournament rules will be cause for penalties to the hosting association:

a. For the first offense, the association will not be allowed to host invitational tournaments at the division/classification (Bantam A, Peewee B, etc.) at which the violation occurred for the balance of the current season and the following season.

Monetary fines may also be assessed to the association(s).

b. For the second offense within a three year period, the association will not be allowed to host or participate in invitational tournaments and MH playoffs at any level for the balance of the current season and the following season.

Monetary fines may also be assessed to the association(s).

c. In the event that the violation is considered a minor or inadvertent error, a penalty may be reduced at the discretion of the Tournaments Committee Chair and the cognizant District Director.

d. Penalized Associations may not have another association host tournaments at their sites.

Evaluation of circumstances and assessment of penalties shall be the joint responsibility of the cognizant District Director and the Tournaments Committee Chair. Disputes regarding the penalties to be assessed shall be decided by the Tournaments Committee. Committee decisions shall be considered a "decision of MH". (Refer to Bylaws Article 7, Board of Directors, District Directors Duties)

15. Teams participating in unsanctioned tournaments ~~may be suspended~~ will be subject to disciplinary action by the District, up to and including suspension from MH activities for the balance of that season and the following season.

D. EXEMPT EVENTS – Sanction Applications and sanction fees are not required for the following events:

1. MN Hockey District, Region, and State Tournaments.

2. Events involving teams from a single MN Hockey District.

The rules and bracketing to be used for either of the above events must be provided to the Tournaments Committee Chair or the District Director.

E. Interstate, National and International tournaments, refer to the MH By-Law Article entitled "Registration" and the Article Entitled "International Competition".

F. Invitational tournaments shall be scheduled so as to minimize the time a player is away from school. When preparing invitational tournament schedules, every consideration shall be given to schedule games in a manner that does not require a player to miss any school time.

1. Associations hosting invitational tournaments wherein there are games scheduled when school is in session shall advertise this fact in any promotional material used to recruit tournament participants.

2. No team traveling more than fifty miles, one way, from the tournament site shall be required to play a game that starts prior to 6:00 PM on a school day, unless the team indicates their willingness to do so in writing on their invitational tournament entry form (e-mail acceptable), and the host team plays in the same or an earlier game on the same day. The tournament host must keep these forms on file for a period of one (1) year from the tournament date for audit purposes. In the event MH performs such an audit, and the association being audited is not able to provide the appropriate tournament entry forms, that association will be deemed to be in violation of this rule.

~~3. No team traveling more than fifty miles, one way, to play in a invitational tournament shall be required to play in a game that starts prior to 6:00 pm on a school day, unless the host team and any other team from within a fifty mile radius, is playing in the same game or in an earlier game scheduled on the same day.~~

3. In the event it becomes necessary to change a tournament schedule and such change requires that a team must involuntarily play a game that will take its players away from school, that team will be allowed to withdraw from the tournament, and any fees paid by that team shall be fully refunded by the tournament host, within seven (7) days after the date of withdrawal.

4. Minnesota Hockey affiliates who authorize others within their affiliate to conduct sanctioned tournaments shall be responsible for compliance with this rule.

5. Tournament host associations who violate this rule, or any portion thereof, will lose tournament sanctioning privileges and/or the right to host a Minnesota Hockey tournament for a period of not less than one (1) year from the end of the season in which the violation occurred. **Violations could also result in monetary fines to the Association(s).**

The Committee brings forward rule change defined as R#C for approval. **The motion is Carried**

Change CC1 to the MH Code of Conduct is intended to expand the Code of Conduct to include Social Media platforms.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS CODE OF CONDUCT

[CC1] 6. Official Spokesperson Members are the stewards of the organization and advocates of its policies and programs. The official spokesperson for the Board is the chair of the Board or the chair's designee.

Whenever a Member issues a ~~written or oral~~ statement **verbally, in writing or via a social media platform** to anyone that could conceptually become public information, the statement should be identified as the personal opinion of the Member and not the official position of MH, unless specific permission to speak officially was granted by the Board. **In the case of social media, the above holds true regardless of whether Board member or representative's name is visible on the account or not.**

The Committee brings forward Code of Conduct change defined as CC1 for approval. **The motion is carried unanimously.**

Tournaments: Mr. Halverson distributed a suggested tournament rotation spreadsheet for 2014-2015. After reviewing, there were no objections to approving the 2014-2015 rotation at this time. A motion was made by John Perry to move forward with approving the 2014-2015 tournament rotation schedules. The motion was seconded by Tom Christensen. Discussion. Dennis Bushy would like to see the Peewee A North moved from D12 to D15, as the Peewee AA North is in D15, and the 14A Olympic then moved from D15 to D12. A motion was made to adopt as amended with the changes for the 2014-2015 tournament rotation. The motion to approve as amended was carried.

Old Business: President Margenau reported that we had agreed to participate in a Tier 1 and Tier 2 Peewee Regional Tournament. The objective was to provide an alternative to a National Tournament. Peewee AA winner would advance to Tier 1 and Peewee A winner would advance to Tier 2. There was an age difference, but all affiliated agreed to it. The Tournament was held March 28-30 in Sun Prairie, Wisconsin. All teams were notified and all five Peewee AA teams (1st, 2nd, 3rd, Consolation & Loser of 3rd Place) declined as they were no planning on beyond the State Tournament. Other factors included spring breaks, cost issues, late notice and travel. The Tier 1 side cancelled the tournament as all teams backed out. Tier 2 moved ahead with our Peewee A State Champion Highland Central participating in the tournament. Tournament. Feedback was that it was a good experience and there was good competition. Moving forward, some thing to look at is cost sharing or an incentive to help our teams.

New Business: Elections

Dennis Green, Nominating Committee Chair, announced that the Secretary/Treasurer position was being split. Jerry DeMeco was not seeking re-election. There were two candidates who expressed interest for the Secretary position – Becky Boldt and Hans Eisenbeis. Nominations were asked from the floor. Colleen Donovan nominated Rhonda Madsen, who accepted the nomination. Each candidate gave a briefing of their credentials. Ballots were distributed for voting and were tallied. President Margenau announce that Rhonda Madsen had been elected to the office of Secretary and thanked Ms. Boldt and Mr. Eisenbeis for their interest in serving as Secretary.

Dennis Green announced the Treasurer position was open for election. There was one interested candidate, that being Doug Kephart. President Margenau asked for nominations from the floor. Nominations were asked from the floor. There were no further nominations, President Margenau announced Doug Kephart as as the new Treasurer.

President Margenau requested that the ballot be destroyed.

President Margenau announced that the summer meeting will be held June 20-22, 2014 at the Marriott, Minneapolis. He also thanked Kathy Hayes for making the arrangements.

Dennis Bushy shared that Jim Breke, former Board of Director, passed away this morning. Jim had served as a D15 Director, MNH Vice President and Board of Director.

With no other business, President Margenau adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted

Rhonda J. Madsen, Recording Secretary