

MN D2 Hockey

Minutes of the 9/21/14 Meeting

The following association representatives were present: Highland, Mahtomedi, Roseville, White Bear Lake, Forest Lake, Stillwater, Tartan, N St Paul, Moundsview, Hudson, River Falls, Baldwin, Somerset, New Richmond.

Meeting Called to Order at 6:34 p.m. by Dave Hursh.

Motion: To approve August Meeting Minutes by *Stillwater* *second by* WBL **Motion carried.**

Motion: To approve Treasurers Report by Mahtomedi *second by* Stillwater **Motion carried.**

BOARD REPORTS

AGE LEVEL REPS – coordinator job description – keep track of league standings, collect score sheets, attend any hearings, ensure that score sheets are correct and filed by date. Excessive penalty info will be passed on to coordinator and that info. passed on to coach.

Bantam Rep- Brett will be out of town but wants all reps to know his contact information is online and he is available to take calls to answer questions.

Peewee Coordinator- Looking for one. Need one before start of season.

Squirt Rep- No report

Junior Gold Rep- No Report

Girls- Fall festival this weekend. D2 team entered.

Initiation Coordinator – Candidate interviewed prior to meeting.

PRESIDENT Report – Dave Hursh

- Hearings regarding waivers.
- Coaches meetings coming up.
- Ice hours in for A and B.
- ADM clinic – WBL, Mahtomedi, NSP didn't have any coaches there. FL was missing one., Somerset 4 coaches in attendance!

DIRECTOR Report- Jake R

- Waivers are an issue – some registrars are not following residency rules. It is registrar's responsibility to check residency and make sure the player is not playing A if residency issue exists. It's the association job. Director doesn't want phone calls about ineligible players.
- Last year we gave \$500 to the rec league. A program meant for kids who start hockey late – peewee/bantam. Low cost to start hockey. Good alternative to C hockey for those newer players. Run by D1. Everyone gets on a team.
- Metro league – possible pilot of 4-man system.
- Rule change – possible change regarding the requirement to finish all grades in one building before moving associations and playing at highest level.

REFEREE IN CHIEF – TERRY T.

- Annual seminars on ice for new referees.
- 4 man system - discussion at MN hockey about refs for metro league. Possibility of striping all 3. 3 stripes? Work going on with it and the idea of piloting a 4-man system and get data to get it changed.

D2 H REP- RON

- New official tryout yesterday, 9/20. 30 applicants. Will take about 20 new ones this year.

OLD BUSINESS

- (Discussed at August Meeting) Jr Gold Ref Fee-The fee for a 3 person system is \$165. A four person system would be \$200. Reps were asked to come back at the next meeting with their feedback on the 4 Man system.
 - Stillwater spoke with Junior Gold coach – supports the 4 man ref system. Stillwater Board supports that as well. Well worth the extra money/game. \$35 more/game.
 - Stillwater makes motion to go to 4 man ref system for junior gold A and B for games played in district 2. WBL 2nd.
 - Discussion – how many refs are used for high school games? Currently they use a different system not approved by USA hockey. Most conferences use a 2-1 system. Likely to see more of this officiating at high school level.
 - Vote – All in favor except 1. Motion carries.
- D2 Proposed Rule Change - **Stillwater** makes motion to untable motion made last month by Dan, regarding rule 4.1.3 **Mahtomedi** 2nd.
 Tabled from August Meeting – proposed change to rule 4.1.3 regarding how quickly coaches must notify Terry/level coordinator of a game misconduct or match penalty. 2 hours was proposed time at August meeting. Current rule states 24 hours.
 - What's the urgency? BC a player can play a 2nd game within 3 hours.
 - Responsible coaches should not play kid and should notify Terry.
 - What happens to a coach who plays a kid? Coach ends up at a hearing.
 - Stillwater – not sure how this is going to help. We have coaches out there that don't know the rules.
 - Roseville - Why would kid be playing in the next game with a game misconduct anyway? Not allowed.
 - Highland – Is this just D2 games?
 - Can't assume everyone has email capability on their phone, although it is very rare not to.
 - WBL- 2 hours from game completion? Yes. 2 hours seems quick. Doesn't feel there is anything wrong with the rule the way it is.
 - Stillwater – should talk about going after the head coach and making the penalty greater as shortening the time doesn't really solve the problem. Needs to be a greater point of emphasis at the coaches meeting.
 - Terry – sending an email should remind the coaches that the player can't play.
 - Pat – Agree that 2 hours isn't going to help. But coordinators need to work with Terry.
 - NSP – have coaches contact D2 reps? Reps should share this with coaches.
 - Dave – D2 need it to be direct link to Terry.

Stillwater Amend motion to require coaches to notify Terry by email within 24 hours of a game misconduct or match penalty. Change to current rule is to require email as method of communication. **Roseville** 2nd.

 - **All in favor, none opposed. Motion carries.**
- D2 Rule Change – rule 4.2 regarding discipline of actions by players or coaches before, during or after a game regardless of whether the action was penalized by the Referee.
- Squirt /U10 district tourney will be in D10 March 6-8th. Teams finishing #1,2 at the A and B levels for both boys and girls.

NEW BUSINESS

Manager meetings (Jim Sass) –

- Online scoring – at manager meeting, there will be laptops and everyone can go in and get approved on the spot. Get back to associations and tell managers. Have to have Id and password for NGIN. This will be set up by 6pm and willing to stay late.
 - Other option is to pay NGIN \$2400 to ok managers online.
- Rule change – 5 goal differential goes to running time. 6 at state playoff and regions.
 - **Highland** makes motion to go to running time with ah 6 goal differential in 3rd period. **Stillwater** 2nd.
 - Discussion - Mahtomedi comments that the kids should keep the full ice time.
 - Vote – All in favor except Mahtomedi opposed. Motion carries.
- Request for mentoring funds –
 - Mike request funds for mentoring and evaluations
 - Request went out to all reps.
 - Last year \$2,110 requested. Return any unused funds.
 - Of 125 refs, only 7 didn't get evaluated.
 - Want to take more money for mentoring side.
 - Next year will get request by August.
 - Looking for \$2300

- Stillwater makes motion to approve request for funds to not exceed \$2300 for training , mentoring etc. Mahtomedi 2nd.
- Will be added to budget.
 - Vote - All in favor. None opposed. Motion carries.
- Rule change proposal – Stillwater
 - 6 goal 3.1.6e 60 minutes– should be same in 3/1.7 - 90 minutes games. The motion was across the board.
 - Update section 2.1.5 – ref fees. Roseville 2nd. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carries.
 - Section 5.1.2 – Make motion to add Superbowl Sunday. No 2nd. Motion dies.
 - Jake – remember to go to your ice scheduler about not scheduling games on that day.
- Stillwater makes motion to donate \$500 to rec league . MV second.
 - Tartan – suggests putting ADM fines towards this. – close to \$1,000 in fines this year.
 - Tartan makes motion to put ADM fines to rec league. Mahtomedi 2nd.
 - Highland – Where is ice time? All over. Ice is donated. Are we taking over the park and rec role? Targets kids who haven't played and maybe can't afford to pay association fees.
 - State-wide program. Not D2 specific.
 - Highland makes motion to add mighty mites . No 2nd. Motion dies.
 - Vote – All in favor except Highland opposed. Motion carries to give fines from ADM Clinic this year to Rec league.
- Dave – needs fees for printing rules to hand out at coaches and managers meeting. **Stillwater** makes motion to pay for printing rules. **WBL** 2nd. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carries.
- Jake – All associations need to get an affiliate agreement signed with MN Hockey. Mail to Jake. Signed by new association president. Deadline October 1st. Scan and email to Jake.
- Jake – there is legal counsel that can give advice to associaitons.

Association Comments:

Mahtomedi – let them know that we are looking for girls goalies. U10, U12, U14. Willing to reduce rates.

MV –

Roseville – adjustments to declarations.

Stillwater – ask Roseville, FL and WBL to meet afterwards to discuss AA year-end district play off

WBL – adjustments to declarations.

Next Meeting Date: October 26th @ 6:30 @ Stadium Bar in White Bear Lake.

Adjournment:

Motion: To adjourn Meeting at 7:42 . by Tartan, *Second by* Stillwater **Motion Carried.**