



**Minnesota Hockey District 3
Monthly Board Meeting – Minutes
Zoom Video Conference
Wednesday, March 10, 2021**

x	Nicole Brodersen	District Director		Association Reps
x	Mark Brandt	President/Scheduling	x	Mike Melsha ACYHA
x	Shelly Johnson	Administrator	x	Kristi Duis Delano Area
			x	Bob Larson Hopkins
	Cheryl Myers	Social Media/Comm.		Bill Robeck Mpls & Hockey Operations
x	Machele Whitmore	Registrar	x	Brad Butler Mound Westonka
x	Neil Olson	BHRA President	x	Kity Marinac North Metro
	Matt Olsonoski	BHRA Supervisor	x	Kelly Greene Orono
x	Mike Anderson	BHRA Scheduler		Steve Fischer OMG
x	Michelle Jirik	Tourney Coord.	x	Paul Steenerson OMG
	Kendra Verbeten	HP/Tier 1/Treasurer	x	Michelle Jirik St Louis Park
x	Josh Hicks	Coach-in-Chief	x	Andy Nordseth Wayzata
	Vacant	Griev. Comm. Chair		
	Vacant	Girls Coordinator		Guests/Alternates Present:
x	Diane Margenau	Membership Devel.		
x	Greg Gibson	JGHSL		
	Todd Larson	JGHSL		

- **Call to order TIME:** 7:02
- February Minutes: Motion to approve Paul Seconded: Kelly
Correct date in Feb minutes to 2021, minutes approved with corrected date.

District 3 Director Report- Playoffs are going well. Teams that qualify for regions will receive info from Nicole.
 Post Season-If a team is quarantined, MN Hockey has determined that policy will be that the next team from would then move on. All MN Hockey members got email explaining the policy. The info is on the MN Hockey website as well.
 Everyone should be continuing with mitigation efforts: masks, social distancing, following arena rules. Some teams have had positive cases but have not had to quarantine because the coaches were following all the protocols. NOBODY should be going to a rink if experiencing any symptoms. Parents/fans should be remembering to social distance at games. No team activities.

D3 will be looking at the tourney host rotation. Will work on bringing proposal back to the board, maybe next month.

District 3 President Report- The last of the league games will be completed this Sunday for the Squirt and 10U Girls. Scheduling a virtual meeting for the ice schedulers for March 16 to discuss improvements needed for next year. At the end of the Month will start working on preparing for next year.

District 3 Administrator Report- All associations received buckets of D3 Tourney pucks and scoresheets (if needed) for playoffs. EMTs scheduled as well. I will collect white puck buckets after playoffs.

District 3 Treasurer Report- Not a lot changed from last month. Made some deposits and wrote some checks early in the month. With all going on, checks are a little late going out. All payments will be made next week. Still waiting on St Louis Park to send a revised ice bill and will get that paid and payments from a couple associations. That should wrap up the old business. Working on the 2021 District Tournament charges and will have drafts to the executive committee to review next week. Additionally, some money was moved into the money market account from checking, as we earn interest on the money market account.

D3 Associates Reports

- Supervisor of Officials: no report
- Coach in Chief: no report
- Membership and Development: no report
- Jr Gold: JGHSL season ends Friday 3/12 *Playdowns 3/15 - 3/21
*Standings & Playdown Brackets at jghsl.org. Thank to officials getting all the Jr Gold games covered.
- Girls League Coordinator:
- Grievance Committee: Another match penalty hearing held tonight. Important for coaches to teach players about kicking/match penalties.
- Scheduling Coordinator: Thank your ice schedulers for their work this year!
- Tournament Coordinator: Trophies were delivered/picked up. There was an error on about 8 trophies for the league championship ones (blue acrylic ones) that is getting fixed. The acrylics come from California so they should be there this week. Will have to work out how to get those to the teams/associations. Have squirt trophies -will schedule time to get out.
Social Media/Website: Tournament score reporting is going well. Brackets for the second round of playoffs are posted and teams have received their tournament information. Squirt and 10U brackets will be posted early next week once league play is completed. Nicole added to make sure and get arena specific rules to Cheryl-will be shared with squirts as playoffs approach. If you take pictures, please send in!
- HP/Tier 1: Spring HP is in full swing. Nominations for all four programs were sent out. Still working through some of the last-minute invites and

kinks of non-association players. This year it seems we have a high number of non-D3 winter players coming back to the district for the spring HP program. Sent a note to the program managers and they will discuss with district directors. This challenge impacts many districts in different ways. Spring breaks for many of our associations are falling in the first week of tryouts. It is not only impactful from a numbers perspective, but it is a big concern this year for people leaving MN and returning without quarantine. We have asked that anyone travelling out of state follow the MDH guidelines for out of state travel. One positive case has the potential of shutting down an entire age level. A big thank you to all the coaches for participating in the nomination meetings. Their time and continuous commitment on behalf of their programs is awesome. Thank you to the last-minute help from a couple associations in getting some player information as well. Tryouts will begin the last week of March and continue into April. We will keep D3 reps in the loop on evaluators from their associations to make sure someone is present and can advocate for the kids.

- Registrar: In lieu of the annual end of season meeting and dinner, I have sent out an email asking for feedback on the season from all association registrars. I will communicate any information they require for the upcoming year via email during the off season. I am hopeful we can meet in person for the preseason meeting in six months. Association reps, please pass on to board members, (Presidents, VPs, Coordinators, etc.) that not appropriate to reach out to ask for rules to be waived receive an award (hockey patch). I will communicate with managers, but I do not plan on replying to requests or threats from association board members.
- Hockey Operations: no report

D3 Association Representatives:

Armstrong Cooper: Discussion about region seeds and how they are determined.

Delano: Preparing to host our district tournaments, feedback so far from the tournaments has been positive. One question that came up is if D3 is planning to break the 12UB1 and 12UB2 tournament rotation up for future years or at least show the split on the rotation document that is on the website so there is not confusion from the 12U teams.

Can associations schedule scrimmages? No! 😊

Hopkins: no report

Minneapolis: no report

Mound-Westonka: no report

North Metro: Hosted February try hockey for free, we had a good turnout. Currently Hosting 12U B1 tournament, it is running smoothly.

Orono: Final preps on 12A Regions going well. Season progressing well and starting to wind down for region teams.

Osseo Maple Grove: Our Association is interested on stances other have on being quarantined from Opponents. Can we alter from what is recommended since opponent exposure would not fall under newest definition of "close contact"? What are we thinking as a district on this as playoffs begin?

St Louis Park: Getting ready for regions. Putting good system in place for spectator check-in. D3 Playoffs moving along.

Wayzata: no report

Old Business: Squirt restructuring-looking at forming a committee after the season is up and running and work on for the future and come up with ideas. Let Mark or Nicole of interest in being involved.

New Business: What is the plan for a team that qualifies for regions but may become unable to play? See MN Hockey website, also info sent to all MN Hockey members.

Adjourn TIME: 7:44 Motion: Andy Seconded: Kelly

APPROVED