

Minnesota Hockey District 3
Monthly Board Meeting – Minutes
Plymouth Community Center - Aspen Room
February 11th, 2026



	Executive Committee & Associates			Association Reps	
X	Paul Steenerson	District Director	X	Kevin Pote	ACYHA
X	Gina Hansen	President/Scheduling	X	Kim Kane	Delano Area
X	Michelle Jirik	Administrator	X	Tim Klenz	Hopkins
X	Josh Hicks	Hockey Operations	X	Matt Marsh	Minneapolis
X	Machel Whitmore	Registrar		Mike Walsh	Mound Westonka
X	Todd Sherner	Treasurer	X	Matt Kinder	Orono
X	Neil Olson	BHRA President	X	Nick Rice	OMG
X	Matt Olsonoski	BHRA Supervisor	X	Charlie McChesney	St Louis Park
X	Mike Anderson	BHRA Scheduler		Ben Norton	Wayzata
X	Michelle Jirik	Tourney Coord.			
	Chad Wieneke	HP/Tier 1 Program Dir.			
X	Josh Hicks	Coach-in-Chief		Guests/Alternates Present:	
	Tim Przybyski	Disciplinary Chair	X	Michelle Ugurlu - sub for Wayzata	
X	George Teeuwen	Girls Coordinator			
X	Paul Steenerson	Membership Devel.			
X	Greg Gibson	JGHSL			
	Todd Larson	JGHSL			
X	Andy Treno	Goalie Coordinator			
X	Michelle Ugurlu	Mite Coordinator			

Call to order TIME: 7:11pm

Approval of January 2026 Meeting Minutes:

- Time: 7:11 pm
- Motion to approve: Kim
- Seconded: Matt M
- Minutes Approved: passed

District 3 Director Report: Participated in MN Hockey meeting. Increase of \$2.00 for registration fees next season. MN Hockey will be signing a 5 year contract with GS with the 26-27 season \$8.74, 27/28 \$8.91, 28/29 \$9.09, 29/30 \$9.26, 30/31 9.43. The districts within MN Hockey are asking MN Hockey to once again help subsidize these costs. The vote will take place in April. Region seeds for U15 - 4 teams, PWAA and BAA, 1 team each. 15A teams are way down from previous years. Only 29 this season. Concussion Return to Play:+ Associations will need to



start submitting Return to Play forms to Mike Mannin, MN Hockey Safety Chair. Please remind your teams, players, coaches and parents to be good sports as we wind down the season. Seeing an uptick with poor behavior.

District 3 President Report: All, we have received a number of requests in the last few months to consider lighter enforcement of our rules. While some were worthy of consideration, I encourage you to respond to your respective organizations that these can also be teaching moments. For example, if a coach failed to report something, instead of coming back to us with a request to relax the enforcement, a coach can lead by example and tell his team that he failed to follow a rule and thus has a consequence. This isn't the only example. Thanks to all who have been working on the brackets. I apologize for the multiple changes. I have learned a lot and next year will be better. I promise. We will make some changes on timing as it is now very clear to me why we need D3 Tournament games earlier. There will be other changes but they will be communicated as we look forward to next year. District tournaments will start this Saturday. Any questions or issues with trophies and medals please email, text or call me. Please look at the brackets for which games will need to have hardware handed out. We now have the final Region Seeds for BTAA (1), PWAA (1) and 15A (4). We don't have the brackets yet but I would expect that the 15A seeds will go to two different regions but we won't be able to confirm until we see the brackets. We have the Super Series tournament awards and will distribute prior to the start of those tournaments.

District 3 Administrator Report: We have the district end of season tournament meeting tonight. Looking ahead I have the 2026-2027 calendar queued and ready to send out to the board members that need to enter their dates and then will have this ready for our May meeting.

District 3 Registrar Report: As mentioned last month, there will be a new policy for address verifications for next season. I'll notify registrars when I'm given the new standard procedure.

District 3 Treasurer Report: Met with Kendra this AM. Reviewed monthly financials. Starting preliminary budget review process. Expect email to come out soon with budget info requests. Would like to have a draft budget ready by 4/1 with a vote on the final June 1st.

GameSheet Report: Would like to have reports available to associations by the start of next season.

Associates Reports:

Supervisor of Officials: Prepping for playoffs. As we get closer to district tournaments please work to ensure fans and parents are kept separated from officials when possible. Please have site tournament directors contact supervisor of officials as soon as possible if there are any issues with on-ice officials. If there is a "difficult" game make sure a site representative escorts officials to their locker rooms for safety and another set of ears. Selections have been made for region and state tournament assignments.

Coach in Chief: no report

Membership & Development: March 7, Try Hockey for Free. Hockey is for me, Feb 27th. And ensure to look for grants with the Wild Foundation.

Jr. Gold/JGHSL: *JGHSL Playdowns-PIC/MGCC, Feb 26-Mar 1st

*JGA/JGB/JG16 State Tournament Banquet-Thursdays Mar 12 at Medina Entertainment Ctr



*JGHSL State Tournament-St. Croix Rec Center

*JGHSL Coach/Mgr Appreciation Mtg-Tuesday April 6, 6:00pm at Malcom Yards

Disciplinary Committee: No report

Tier 1/HP Director: HP Program execution is underway, association coaches at relevant levels should have received communication on the nomination process.

Girls Coordinator: Hoping to have an end of season meeting in the next month or so.

Hockey Operations: Exploring putting together a Hockey Development team for D3. Would be responsible for administering education and clinics to Associations. Have reached out to Association Hockey Directors for nominations for Coaches.

Tournament Coordinator: I am looking to transition this position over to a new person for this next season. Please let me know if you know of anyone who is interested in joining the board and getting involved at the district level. This is a great opportunity to get involved and learn about the D3 board. Prefer that they have some tournament experience but not necessarily needed. Have them reach out to me or email me.

Goalie Coordinator: Had one coach complaint with their goalie being used for EBUG without permission. Followed up with both districts and coaches. Please remind your coaches that it needs to be approved according to district guidelines and getting coach approval.

Preparing for Regional/State EBUG arms race

Mite Coordinator: No updates

D3 Association Representatives:

Armstrong Cooper: We were able to host the Minnesota Wild's "Spotlight" game at New Hope and it was super fun and a tremendous success! Our PW B1's beat Hopkins in a shootout! A few numbers are still coming in at the Mite level! The PW/Bantam "Invitational" tournament was well run by our high school parents/players! Hoping for success at the upcoming district tournaments!

Delano: Getting ready for the district tournaments that we are hosting. Overall the season has been great.

Hopkins: No issues or concerns to report. Had a successful mite day to close out the season, and wrapping things up across as the season comes to a finish. Thanks to our ACYHA partners for including us in the Wild Spotlight game! A lot of memories were created that night!

Minneapolis: The Minneapolis ice scheduler was informed on February 5th, by the park board, that the NE ice rink will be closed immediately for the duration of the season, due to a catastrophic failure of the last operational compressor. This has disrupted the schedules of most Minneapolis teams.

Mound-Westonka: Concluding season and getting ready to host PW B2. Still have plenty of pucks for the tournament, EMT lined up. Not much else to report. Great year!

Orono: Orono has secured land just to the west of its existing Morrison Ice Arena. Fundraising is fully underway...no time frame as of yet.



Osseo Maple Grove: New VP of Travel - Bryan Canfield, New President - Jason Rogowski.

Hockey Day Minnesota coming to Maple Grove! Colin is moving to a role on the planning committee.

St Louis Park: Hosting PWHL Read, Set, Skate - starts March 2

Wayzata: 4th rink getting closer. I would like to discuss squirt A teams for next year. Just finished the Association episode on You Tube...check it out.

New Business:

Treasurer: Are we continuing to use Plymouth community center for our monthly meetings? Need to reserve if so. Kendra is a resident so gets a discount. Yes we will continue to use Plymouth Community Center.

Goalie Coordinator: D3 net pegs. Propose having D3 approved net pegs, issued by Pro Peg Anchors. 20% discount when ordered as bulk. \$105 per set, \$210 per rink. Each set has an individual serial number. Propose D3 to purchase 1st set for each rink and require replacement by the association if lost.

OMGHA: Extend PW hour clock to 75 minutes - please ask your scheduler first then come back to the board with those discussions.

Old Business:

Adjourn TIME: 8:03pm

- Motion to Approve: Michelle U
- Seconded: Nick
- Approved - Yes

