



`Minnesota Hockey District 3  
 Monthly Board Meeting -Minutes  
 Plymouth Ice Center  
 Wednesday, December 11, 2019

	Nicole Brodersen	District Director		<b>Association Reps</b>
x	Mark Brandt	President/Scheduling		Mike Melsha ACYHA
x	Shelly Johnson	Administrator		Carolyn Kivisto Delano Area
	Aric Stienessen	Treasurer		Reid Paul Hopkins
	Cheryl Myers	Social Media/Comm.		Bill Robeck Mpls & Hockey Operations
x	Shelly Slattery	Registrar	x	Brad Butler Mound Westonka
x	Neil Olson	BHRA President	x	Tim Donelon North Metro
x	Matt Olsonoski	BHRA Supervisor	x	Kelly Greene Orono
	Mike Anderson	BHRA Scheduler	x	Steve Fischer OMG
x	Chad Nicholls	Tourney Coord.		Paul Steenerson OMG
		HP/Tier 1	x	Todd Dvorak St Louis Park
	Josh Hicks	Coach-in-Chief	x	Nicholas Cook Wayzata
	Ron Warren	Griev. Comm. Chair		
	Rob Roy	Girls Coordinator		
x	Diane Margenau	Membership Devel.		
	Greg Gibson	Metro League		<b>Guests/Alternates Present:</b>
	Todd Larson	Metro League	x	Kristi Duis Delano Alternate
			x	Matt Lichty Hopkins Alternate

- **Call to order TIME:** 7:01pm
  - November Minutes: Motion: to approve by Kelly Seconded: Nicholas Minutes approved
1. **District 3 Director Report**-Nicole: Held 8U and mite meeting, will send update on the meeting to all.
  2. **District 3 Administrator Report**-Shelly: Been getting scorebooks out to associations for tourneys as needed. Scheduling HP/Tier 1 info meetings with teams in all associations.
  3. **District 3 President Report**-Mark: Have started to send the D3 end of season brackets out to the schedulers to get the date and time and locations for the games. Some of the tournaments have not been able to do this yet as we are unsure of how many teams are advancing to Regional's from D3. The Squirt A tournament will not start until Monday, March 2, due to the Fargo squirt Tournament which there are several teams from D3 entered into. Also still waiting in 15U info regarding end of season. Plan to review and approve brackets in January.

Had a meeting with the schedulers and Avario to review the scheduling process this past year and discuss improvements and how to streamline the process more. One of the big issues was the scheduling of games to get them Back to Back. Other rescheduling requests have been down this year but still need to be improved on. Please remind your teams that they cannot reschedule a league game to enter a tournament or to go and scrimmage other teams. The rules that we approved this fall will be followed. If teams want to block off weekends for tourneys or scrimmages, that needs to be planned and blocked off in advance of game scheduling.

#### 4. District 3 Treasurer Report-Aric:

##### D3 Associates Reports –

- Supervisor of Officials: Remind coaches they need to email Matt if a game misconduct is assessed. This is true no matter where the game is played. Had already had four this year not reported. MLK weekend MIGHT be lifted as a black out date for scheduling scrimmages. Will let people know when confirmed.
- Registrar: Currently we have 6010 registered players, 1628 coaches and 372 teams. Mite teams are still being created and added to. We have 80 redlined individuals with the majority being mite players needing their birth certificates verified. The D3 Board Roster was due to USA Hockey on December 1st. There are still 5 board members who have not completed their SafeSport requirement and 8 who have not had their Background Screening processed. Please get those requirements done as soon as possible.  
Board members needing to be registered with USA Hockey, doing background checks and completing SafeSport will be a requirement going forward.

**Hockey Day MN**-everyone in D3 is encouraged to participate. Please put the info on your association websites. Minneapolis is hosting and all of D3 can join and help in this event. Need over 400 volunteers. Would like to encourage high school teams to volunteer as a team-please contact Shelly Slattery to set that up.

Coach in Chief: Finished up District 3 CEP classes Sunday. approximately 200 coaches. Thanks to Thomas Johnson for running Level 1, and Matt Margenau for running ice sessions all Fall. Thanks to speakers Hans Skulstad, Bill Manuel, and David Prokop for presenting to coaches.

- Membership and Development: Not too late to receive materials from USA Hockey for the February, Try Hockey For Free. Membership Tutorial -

Recruiting of new players into your association should always be an ongoing process. At this time of the year it might be beneficial to recruit Varsity and Junior Varsity players to visit local elementary schools. Players read to lower grade students from books pertaining to hockey such as the Brady Brady series. Wearing their high school jerseys they can distribute tickets to an upcoming game for each student in the room. Visits can be organized by an association's membership chairperson for a board member.

- Metro League: \*Metro Hockey League has changed name to Junior Gold High School League (JGHSL) (jghsl.org) \*JGHSL started league play Dec 2nd \*JGHSL Playdowns will be at PIC: Tuesday Feb 25th-Sunday March 1st. \*D3 has 2-JGA teams, 8-JGB and 2-JG16
- Girls League Coordinator: no report
- Grievance Committee: no report
- Scheduling Coordinator: see President's report
- Tournament Coordinator: no report
- Social Media/Website: We are finishing up the last few coach and manager registrations. It has taken an unnecessarily long time to get these completed, so we will look at deadlines and other ways to get registrations wrapped up quicker next year. Score reporting is going very well. Missing scores are way down from last year. There are still instances where FPP are not getting posted to standings accurately. A common link hasn't been found yet, but Avario (Autolce) is continuing to look into it and look for solutions.
- HP/Tier 1: Quick update: 1. Thank you again to the board for their generous donation to the D3 Walleye 14U Girls team. 2. Working out details for the spring training for the girl's team. 3. Had second meeting of the HP Planning Committee and working on establishing a solid off-ice training program to be implemented across all teams for the Tier One fall 2020 season. Working to redefine 4. Had a round of coach interviews for fall 2020 coaching positions. 5. Ice time should be posted this week for the spring HP and fall development sessions.
- Hockey Operations: no report

##### **5. D3 Association Representatives:**

Armstrong Cooper: First Invitational tournament held at New Hope IA last weekend, good success. Season is moving forward with new Hockey Ops coaches training (classroom and on ice) held last week.

Delano: no report

Hopkins: season rolling along. Just completed the Hopkins Thanksgiving tournament. Partnered with Full Strength to run some of the travel teams dry land sessions.

Minneapolis: no report

Mound-Westonka: Fire and Ice fund raiser- January 11th at Fletcher's, Search continues for Operations Director.

North Metro: Successfully hosted the 37th Annual Pirate Classic tournament over Thanksgiving weekend. Shared Hockey Day MN volunteer request with association members. Season is in full swing.

Orono: Had successful Pancake Breakfast and Fall Faceoff fundraisers this year. Working through scheduling issues Starting to discuss changes we want to make for next year (operations & evals) Looking for gambling to be running by summer or early fall

Osseo Maple Grove: no report

St Louis Park: The MN Wild will be practicing at the ROC on Jan 2 from 10:00-11:30. This is a free event. Come early!

Wayzata: WYHA finalized registrations at end of November and we've had a record number of skaters registered in the association (1160), based in part to our improvements in understanding the streamlining the New Skater program. We are introducing game streaming cameras at PIC and Wayzata Central for live streaming, PIC C is live and the rest will be introduced this month. WYHA / PIC has been chosen as host of 2021 USA Hockey National Tournament. One area of improvement we will focus on for 20-21 is separating duties for registrar, so we would be interested in discussing with other D3 associations on how they separate role and responsibilities.

#### **6. Old Business:**

##### **New Business:**

#### **7. Adjourn TIME: 7:27pm**

Motion: Nicholas    Seconded: Steven