



November 11, 2008

The monthly meeting of the Minnesota Hockey District 3 Beltline Hockey League was held on November 11, 2008, at the Crystal Community Center.

President Mark Brand called the meeting to order.

Those present:

John Perry – Director
Mark Brandt – President
Diane Margenau – Administrator
Jim Gates – Supervisor of Officials
John Sparling – President, Beltline Referees
Dave Nyquist – Secretary, Beltline Referees
Scott Dornfeld – Tournament Coordinator
Amy Johnson – Girl's Coordinator
Kelly Bonner – Asst. Registrar
Gene Ferrel – ACE Coordinator
David Margenau – MH, Maroon Vice President

Representatives:

Ed Szalapski - Blake
Alex Becker - Wayzata
Jon Piazza – Armstrong Cooper
Tony Cleveland - Orono
Brad Davis - Hopkins
Joe Arko – St. Louis Park

MINUTES –

MOTION: Brad Davis moved to accept the October Minutes are presented.

Alex Becker seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

REFEREES – Jim Gates, John Sparling reporting.

1. The coaches meeting went very well.
2. Will be addressing coaches at the D3 CEP clinics.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT – John Perry reporting.

1. There have been 2 roster verification meetings.
2. John inquired if any D3 associations have hosted a MH clinic. Wayzata stated that they had and Armstrong Cooper and St. Louis Park were hoping to. John encouraged all associations to take advantage of these great clinics offered by instructors from MH.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Mark Brandt reporting.

1. Mark stated that both the Coaches and Managers meetings went very well. He said he had some concern over the length of the Managers meeting and would look into ways of shortening it for next year.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Diane Margenau reporting.

1. Diane stated that there had been one change in the D3 calendar. The dates for the Squirt tournaments were changed. The calendar on the web site will reflect the change.
2. Diane shared information on the program “Heads Up” which deals with concussion injuries.
3. A discussion was held in regard to including Washburn/Richfield games in our league standings. It was decided that because early in the season the decision was made to include these games even though most of the Washburn/Richfield teams will participate in post season play in District 1.
4. An amended copy of the tournament hosts was distributed.
5. The Squirt and 10U D3 tournament brackets were selected.

ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS –

BLAKE – Ed Szalapski reporting.

1. Having a great time.

ARMSTRONG COOPER – Jon Piazza reporting.

1. Teams have all been selected.

HOPKINS – Brad Davis reporting.

1. Squirts have been playing in an in-house league which ended October 30.

ORONO – Tony Cleveland reporting.

1. Have 11 19U players who will probably join up with Wayzata.
2. Won't know if there will be an Orono Junior Gold team until after the conclusion of the football season.

WAYZATA – Alex Becker reporting.

1. Annual fund-raiser this coming Friday.
2. Teams are all rostered.

ST. LOUIS PARK – Joe Arko reporting.

1. Have 165 mites registered for this year. Numbers are up at every level.
2. Will probably lose some players at the Bantam level to the high school team.
3. The high school coach is very involved with the program which is really helping.

C LEAGUE – Mark Brandt reporting for Lynn Brandt

1. As a reminder, be sure to send all schedules to the referee scheduler in District 1 for all their home games.
2. Mandatory coaches/managers meeting next Monday.
3. There are quite a few bantam team, they will be playing a 22 game schedule.

REGISTRAR – John Perry reporting for Lynn Brandt

1. New system appears to be working very well.

S.K.A.T.E. – Sandy Sullivan reporting.

1. Nothing new to report.

GIRLS LEAGUE – Amy Johnson reporting.

1. Teams are all formed and scheduling is complete for all but the 19 UB's, which is being administered by D6. Wayzata and OMGHA are working together to optimize the two teams in D3. With Orono, Wayzata has a full team. OMGHA is still looking for more players and a goalie. Wayzata continues to search for a coach, but has interest from a Whitecaps player and two Dads.
2. Will be scheduling a D3 8U Organizational meeting.
3. Have not yet scheduled the next Girl's Coordinator's meeting.
4. OMGHA has scheduled a free skate on November 15 to see if anyone would be interested in signing up for their 19 UB team.

TOURNAMENTS – Scott Dornfeld reporting.

1. Applications are coming in. Working on returning them in a timely manner.

ACE COORDINATOR – Gene Ferrel reporting.

1. Gene will be putting a link on the D3 web site, ACE page, for student coaches.
2. Level 3 CEP clinic next week at Brooklyn Park.
3. Met with coaches and managers at their recent meeting. Encouraged managers to have players participate in the MH essay contest. Topic this year is, "What Does Team Work Mean To Me". Also encouraged managers to submit names of coaches for coaches awards.
4. Kemp's, as a Corporate Sponsor for MH, is donating \$.05 of sales for chocolate milk.

MITES – Mark Brandt reporting.

1. Events are scheduled and everything appears to be going well.

OLD BUSINESS –

POINT STREAK – Mark Brandt

1. Mark inquired if there was any further discussion concerning Point Streak and the presentation from last month's meeting. He continued by stating that the timing was wrong to do anything this year but that he planned to pursue this more between now and next season.

NEW BUSINESS –

RECRUITING COMMITTEE – Scott Dornfeld, Dave Margenau reporting.

1. Minnesota Hockey has formed a Recruiting Committee whose purpose will be to interact with associations, gathering and sharing ideas for recruiting and retaining hockey players. Scott Dornfeld will be on this committee

representing D3. Their first state wide meeting will be in St. Cloud, December 14, 2008. Scott may be contacting you or someone in your association for ideas on what works for your each of your associations. Kemp's is sponsoring this program.

Joe Arko said that St. Louis Park has been successful in getting more players the last couple of years. The association offers free registration and equipment for new players. Distributed information in local churches. Found through study that hockey can be less expensive than soccer or basketball.

Amy Johnson said that Wayzata has a movie geared toward recruiting girls.

OMGHA 8U JAMBOREE – Tony Cleveland inquired as to whether or not OMGHA was going to host an 8U Jamboree? Not sure. It was noted that if teams were to participate they would have to be registered as a C traveling team.

MOTION: Ed Szalapski moved to adjourn the meeting.

Jon Piazza seconded.

The motion carried unanimously.

President Brandt adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Diane Margenau – Administrator

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