



Date: September 17, 2011
To: MN Hockey Board of Directors
From: Eric Olson, MN Hockey Referee Section Director
Re: Referee Report

MHOA and Minnkota Camp

This year MHOA held our annual MHOA Camp held in conjunction with the CCM/Reebok Boys Advance 15 festival in St. Cloud. There were 12 camp participants and 5 instructors. Thank you to John Perry for helping MHOA be a part of this camp.

We held our Minnkota Advanced Camp June 25 – 30. There were 15 participants, all from Minnesota, and 6 instructors.

MHOA Fall Meeting

MHOA held its fall meeting on August 20th in Shakopee. We have moved our meeting earlier in the year to accommodate the seminar season. In conjunction with the meeting we hosted a seminar instructor training session.

DOS Seminar

I had the privilege to instruct at the District Officiating Seminar that was held in Duluth, June 26th – 28th. There were 39 participants that devoted an entire weekend to learn more about becoming better officials.

Seminars

We are already underway with the seminar season in Minnesota. As of today, we have completed 6 seminars around the state. There are 56 dates that we will be holding seminars with the last seminar taking place November 21 in Baudette. We have put together a seminar team to facilitate all level 3 seminars in Minnesota. This is in response to the poor pass rate of closed book exams last year. By having the same group present all of the seminars the same message is being presented to every official regardless where they are attending a level 3 seminar.

Rule Enforcement Memo:

We again this year will be stressing the need for officials to crack down on high hits and check from behinds, regardless of location on the ice. It is our intent to help curb those dangerous hits that could lead to concussions.

This concludes my report.

Respectfully submitted,

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