

January 11, 2012

The January meeting of the District 3 Beltline Hockey League was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by President Todd Elmer at the Crystal Community Center.

Those Present:

Scott Dornfeld – Director
Amy Johnson – Girls Coordinator
Jim Gates – Referee in Chief
John Sparling – BHRA President
Todd Elmer - President
Gene Ferrel – Ace
Sandy Pofelr -

Representatives

Mike Hoben – OMGHA
Michelle Hjelle – Crow River
Josh LeVoir – ACYHA
Chad Nicholls – St Louis Park
Mark Brandt – Wayzata Alternate
Nancy Lyons – NMYHA
Carrie Lee Starry – Wayzata
Jamie Lowe – Orono
Hans Eisenbeis – Minneapolis
Pat Greely – Hopkins

Minutes – Josh LeVoir motion made to accept December Minutes as presented.
Michelle Hjelle second – The motion carried unanimously.

Referee’s Report – Jim Gates

1. See attached handed out Game Misconduct Summary as of Jan 9 2012

Being proactive in the check from behind rule – Meeting with Ref’s making sure that the call is made if there is a check from behind. Should see a change in how games are called.

Down from last year.

BHRA – John Sparling

1. Referee scrimmage will be on 3/31 at New Hope Ice Arena – We ask the Bantam A Coaches to ref the scrimmage.
2. Joint with D6 have Charity Golf Tournament for Bill Leslie – Ref in Chief on 6/8/12 at Stonebrook Golf Course, more details later. Waiting on Tournament Info for February make sure you get tournament information to Mike application deadline 1/15/12.

Director – Scott Dornfeld

1. Couple of Meetings in St. Cloud for Coaches Education Program. Thank you for all the information you all sent me.

Highlights from meeting

Want to make process less time consuming.
Shorten online modules.
Working on the repetitiveness for the online and the in person class.
Working on lag time for update on website.
Less cost for both online and in person class.
Looking at having 2 year cards for Level 1 & 2.
Make online modules available after they have been taken.

These are all on USA hockey’s radar and are being looked at. Any questions, let me know.

2. Lots of free information available from USA Hockey I will ask Diane to put on website.
3. Will be having GM meeting for the High Performance 15 – John Perry will be asking for permission to send out invitations in February.
4. District Director Meeting coming up – Looking at redistricting Crow River out of D3 to D5 their has been a lot of emails going back and forth – I would like to see them stay in D3
5. Looking for putting a deadline in place for all waivers consistent with all districts – if they can not come up with a consensus we will put one in place for D3.
6. Everything is going good.

D3 President - Todd Elmer

1. Went to Wild game enjoyed watching the mites skate in between periods from one of our district teams – noticed coach on ice without a helmet. Talked with the President of association.

Administrator Report – Scott Dornfeld for Diane Margenau

1. Our February meeting will take place Wednesday February 15th at 7:00 Crystal Community Center. The first hour will be a seeding meeting and then we will have regular meeting after at 8:00
2. Happy Birthday to Diane
3. No Treasurer Report

Orono – Jamie Lowe

1. 3/10/12 will be our mite jamboree – We have 271 in our travel program compared with 248 last year so we are quite strong at our levels, looking at adding a Junior Gold Program – we waived out 7 players this year to other Junior Gold Programs.

Armstrong Cooper – Josh LeVoir

1. Construction has started new lights on the half of the south rink.
2. Wondering about status of U10B year end tournament.

Minneapolis Storm – Hans Eisenbeis

1. Talk about the association following “The Jobs Pledge”. Will give helmet stickers to any team if they make a donation – can find the link through the STORM website.
2. Looking to change the behavior or making the players more aware.
3. Todd Elmer – D3 or MN Hockey has not discussed following “The Jobs Pledge”

Crow River – Michelle Hjelle

1. Who do we submit the Player Maker /Hat Trick /Zero Hockey award sheets too? – Lynn Brandt address on the form.
2. Redistricting is a serious situation for our association if it passes it may have a serious consequence for them, such as a drop in enrollment – drive time to game will almost double, the arena is non profit may hurt high school program, may lose kids to basketball . We do not want to move to D5 – Please email us supporting us to stay in D3 and cc Scott Dornfeld. Amy Johnson loves having Crow River in the district helps the girls program.

Wayzata – Kari Starry

1. Monthly association meeting got bumped a week. Need a Peewee and Squirt C team for upcoming tournament.
2. Having 2 A teams - overall coaches have had to coach a different way basically really have to work to win, change in strategy.

Wayzata – Mark Brandt

1. The 2 A teams are truly balanced. Parent complaints have gotten better as the season has progressed had to make adjustments – better quality games more competition. Players have gotten better – it's been better for the other associations as well. The key has been to make the 2 teams balanced coaches are buying into it they are emphasizing skills. Both squirt A have a lot of shared ice together.

North Metro - Nancy Lyons

No Report

Hopkins – Pat Greely

1. 1/21/12 Hopkins High School girl's team will play Minnetonka on Lake Minnetonka. – trying to organize the mite girls playing at the smaller rinks surrounding the main rink.
2. Would like to see the C league move more main stream with the A&B travel teams thinks it will be better for both parents and players.

St. Louis Park – Chad Nicholls

1. Mites skated at intermission of Wild game, had a great time.
2. Had hearing for bantam player for slashing incident. Thought process was great was wondering if the notes would be posted so the player could read everything that was said. ACYHA Josh LeVoir also asked about this said he was getting a lot of emails from the parents wanting to know what the punishment was.

OMGHA - Mike Hoben

1. Added more C teams this year.
2. Preparing for our 32 team peewee tournament. Doing more education with parents and coaches on code of conduct, more education on checking from behind.
3. JABS fundraiser.
4. Charity game for Coach that passed away last year. Made blankets for charity sent to Indian reservation in South Dakota.

Ace Coordinator – Gene Ferrell

1. The online extension for CEP renewal expires at the end of January.
2. Dave Margenau posted an article on the MN Hockey website “Get back to Basics”

Need to educate parents on conduct – unruly very emotional act less than adult in most situations.
3. Much discussion among the group with regards to youth hockey & high school hockey , rules, checking, referees.

Registrar

1. 1/23/11 6:00 Plymouth Ice Arena is the roster verification for the re-rostering of the 3x3 mite teams to 5x5. Website date is incorrect.

Mite Report

1. Had the boys scheduling last Sunday for the 5x5 and this Sunday we will do the girls 5x5.

Coach in Chief

No Report

C League –

1. Next season we will not have a separate league it will be combined with the A&B traveling leagues. Want to bring Bantam C league games in D3 up to 1 ½ hours like the A&B . If we do not have enough bantam c teams in the district and they have to play in a different district, then they will have to play whatever the other district does. It was also asked that the games line up with the A&B schedules as well. Todd said they will look into it.

R&R

No Report

Girls Coordinator – Amy Johnson

No Report

Grievance Committee Report

1. Held hearing for St Louis Park player for slashing incident. We came up with what we thought was a fair and appropriate penalty for the player, Scott Dornfeld agreed there will be no more discussion on this it’s a private matter and closed.

Jim Gates made a motion to adjourn meeting Mike Hoben 2nd meeting adjourned at 8:24 pm