



**Minnesota Hockey District 3  
Monthly Board Meeting – Minutes  
Plymouth Ice Center  
Wednesday, November 14 2018**

**Members Present:**

<b>District 3 Staff and BHRA Staff</b>	<b>Association Representatives</b>
X Nicole Brodersen – D3 Director	X Mike Melsha – Armstrong Cooper
Ron Walsh – D3 President	X Carolyn Kivisto – Delano
X Aric Stienessen- Treasurer	X Reid Paul – Hopkins
X Shelly Johnson – D3 Administrator	X Bill Robeck – Minneapolis
X Cheryl Meyers- Social Media	X Dean Swanson – Mound Westonka
X Stephen Perry, HP/Tier 1	X Tim Donelon – North Metro
X Rob Roy – D3 Girls Coordinator	X Kelly Greene – Orono
Mike Anderson – BHRA, Scheduler	Brian Blashack – OMGHA
X Neil Olson – BHRA, President	X Jeff Brandt – OMGHA (alt)
X Matt Olsonoski – BHRA, Supervisor	X Todd Dvorack– St Louis Park
Nick Dornfeld – BHRA, Secretary	X Mark Brandt – Wayzata
Tim Przybylski – BHRA, DOD	Greg Gibson Metro - League Liason
Chad Nicholls – D3 Tournaments	
Jay Knip – D3 Scheduler	
X Shelly Slattery – D3 Registrar	
Todd Larson – Metro League	
Diane Margenau – D3 Membership Dir.	
Josh Hicks – D3 Coach in Chief	
<b>Guests:</b>	

- 1. Call to order** 6:48
- 2. Consent Agenda**
  - October Minutes motion to approve-Mark B, seconded Jeff B, approved
- 3. District 3 Director Report-Nicole:** Mite meeting scheduled following this meeting (11/14). Have been working with mite coordinators. Will talk about 3x3. Mites don't play "games" but have competitions focused on development and fun. The fall meetings went well, thank you to all that helped and presented. Stressed to coaches to utilize D3 association reps as first point of contact for issues, questions, concerns. The manager fall presentation is on the website. Have not yet verified head coach attendance- head coaches are required to attend. Requirement has been in place for awhile now. We will be transitioning to new scoresheet entry system utilizing autoice. Asking for patience as we move into this more automated process. Also asking for patience with ice schedulers where certain dates were not blacked out as unavailable for games. Will be working on that for next season. Thank you to Mark B for all his work on autoice.

4. **District 3 Administrator's Report-Shelly:** Fall meetings are done! New format went well. Meetings were a bit shorter than historically have been. Coach break out groups had great participation. Have ideas to improve and make better next time-particularly the manager meeting and how to make the breakouts work and flow. Just received first match penalty for the season.
5. **District 3 President's Report-Ron:** no report
6. **District 3 Treasurer's Report-Aric:** Everything is on track as budgeted.
7. **D3 Associates Reports –**

- Supervisor of Officials: Please remind team managers officials need to be paid before taking the ice for any scrimmages. To date (11/12/2018) we have 9 game misconducts and 1 match penalty that have been assessed to D3 players.  
*Neil-* Effective December 1, refs will no longer take checks from non D3 teams. Already have had checks bounce. Please let team managers know. A message will be going out from Mike via the manager registration info.  
*Mark B* asked what game rules will 10U be following (D10 or D3)? D3 and D10 both hosting end of season tourneys. Need a better understanding of game times upfront to plan better. Note that sometimes it is not know what district will be hosting the league. Should try and get info sooner. With 15U starting games December 1 and ending Feb 9, it is difficult to get games scheduled in that window of time with many teams having three tourneys.
- Registrar: We currently have 5794 players and 1446 coaches rostered to 332 teams. Please be sure that your associations know that Student Coach forms must be sent to me at the time the student coach is added to the roster and is not allowed to participate with the team until the roster has been approved with the student coach listed. Skills Coaches – (Members of the Association) must be registered with USA Hockey, SafeSport current, Screening current and should have the age specific module for the highest level they are coaching. High School Coaches are considered members of the association. Skills Coaches – (Hired from a Company) If they are hired from a company they only need to pass a background screening. Either MN Hockey's or their employers is one is required. Each association should be sending me a spreadsheet listing all of the skills coaches.
- Coach in Chief: CEP was held at Brooklyn Park Community Center 11/11. 80 Level 1 coaches and 68 Level 3 coaches attended. Thanks to Kendra Verbeten, Steve Carroll, Hans Skulstad, Eric Johnson, and Sean Goldsworthy for presenting. Last CEP clinics are scheduled for 12/9. Level 1 is filled, no new seats will be added. Still room for level 2 and 3.
- Membership and Development: no report
- Girls League Coordinator: 15U -- Girls Leagues for our 15UA and 15UB have been setup with D6 hosting both leagues 12U -- D3 will be hosting our own

12UA and 12UB leagues 10U -- D3 will be hosting a 10UB2 league, with D10 teams joining. Our 10UB team will form their own league, and our 10UA will be forming a league with D10.

- Grievance Committee:
- Scheduling Coordinator: Mark B reported there was an ice scheduler meeting last night (Nov 13). This year went ok and next year will be even better. Have the benefit of sharing ideas. Met with autoice to discuss what schedulers liked and what could be improved. Need to figure out issue with back to back games. Biggest hangup is game rescheduling. Stephen from AI is working on pulling it together to include officials. Ice schedulers have been great. Game counts are up this year for BAA and PWAA, would be good to know this ahead of time next year.
- Tournament Coordinator:
- A.C.E. Coordinator:
- Social Media/Website: The new score submission process will be released some time this week. There will no longer be a delay in standings updates once it is in place. Managers must be registered with D3 in order to access the new submission page. I will bring a list of coaches and managers still in need of registering with D3 to the meeting. Website updates have taken a back seat to the score submission testing but will resume once that's up and running smoothly. PWAA not up yet, won't be for a couple days, waiting on out of district games. Maybe 30-31 managers still need to register on D3 site.
- HP/Tier 1: Have the schedule for spring. Will be working on getting skills sessions scheduled and selecting coaches.

## **8. D3 Association Representatives:**

Armstrong Cooper: About 40 participated in Try Hockey for Free. 55 mini mites registered.

Delano: Season up and running. Looking for input from other associations on Dryland programs for each level. Coach created? Level appropriate programs? Contracted out? Responses:ACYHA does dryland and ice back to back -the HS coaches run it. Orono -coaches do it. There are also USA hockey online resources.

Hopkins: Girls tourney over the weekend. Try Hockey for free-7 new registrations. Overall up about 20 kids this year.

Minneapolis: 1) Ice Scheduler has a list of feedback she provided to AutoIce & other schedulers at last night's ice scheduling review 2) Season has started, everything moving along well 3) Association is participating in Linklete (Corey Koskie) tryout survey for parents and players

Mound-Westonka: 17 kids participated in Try Hockey For Free on 11/10/18.

North Metro: no report

Orono: Pancake breakfast was very successful this past weekend. We are not going to have a 15U team this year now due to 6 taken for HS varsity. Teams off to a good start overall, and seeing success at some levels that were not expected.

Osseo Maple Grove: Tryouts are completed and went well. All teams are formed with the exception of JG, which will wait until HS tryouts are completed. As of right now, OMGHA will not be having a U19 team. We have about 5 players that need homes.

St Louis Park: We are not sponsoring a junior gold B team this year. Need 260 D3 patches for jerseys.

Wayzata: Over 1100 skaters this year. Also an increase at mite level. Tryouts are ever with the exception of Jr Gold.

9. **Old Business:** Still need to work on TIER 1 coach language for rules and regs over the next couple weeks. Have coaches identified to return
10. **New Business:** 1) Invitational tournament calendar, consistency on the website with association and team name designations. 2) What is the District's plan for scheduling Mite games?-Mite meeting tonight after the board meeting to go over mite plan. 3) Officials need completed coach roster. 4) Registrar support.- Registrars are not always getting info from associations -regarding what teams they will have. Coaches get upset if not on the roster-but issues are not having required things done to be on the roster (safesport, CEP, etc). There are a lot of new registrars and don't want people to quit because of a rough first year.
11. **Adjourn** 7:50 motion by Mark B