District 10 General Meeting Monday, January 7, 2008

President John Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Board Members Not Present: Dick Hanson, Mike Denardo, Donn Berkeland, Hank Weurtz, Sue Andrus, Chuck Fitzer and Doug Messerli.

Associations Not Present: Becker/Big Lake, Hinckley, Princeton and St. Cloud

Guests in attendance: Dave Margenau, MN Hockey Maroon VP

Minutes from the general meeting on December 3, 2007: Noted that Centennial was in attendance. Motion made to accept the minutes, seconded and passed.

Treasurer's Report:

- A full-itemized Treasurer's Report is available for review at the conclusion of the meeting. Motion made to approve the Treasurer's Report, seconded and passed.
- The first half billing was sent out a week before Christmas. Only nine (9) checks have been received to date.
- The second half billing will be sent out the first part of February.

Dave Margenau, MN Hockey

- Invited all Associations to join a membership to Sports Alliance of MN, which is free of charge. A membership packet was distributed to all Associations. The Sports Alliance of MN is an organization to provide a healthy and safe environment for kids.
- Wendy's Sponsorship for every Wild burger purchased 25 cents goes to MN Hockey.
- Wendy's Game-Day Sweepstakes complete an entry form for a chance to win 30 tickets to a Wild home game, participate in an on-ice intermission with their youth team and also receive one hour of ice time at the Xcel Energy Center.

Presidents Report:

- Welcome Doug Fosters, the Girls Rep and President of District 5.
- <u>Communications</u>: Questions concerning leagues, please contact the appropriate league coordinator. If the league coordinator is unavailable, then contact the Youth, Girls or Jr. Gold Coordinator.
- Tournament Rosters: Need to turn into your respective league coordinators.
- Bad Weather Policy: Handout was distributed.
- <u>Mite Policy</u>: At the summer Presidents meeting, the associations approved language to the mite policy for the coming season. See page 28 of the D10 Handbook.
- <u>Squirt & Girls 10U</u>: Coordinators need 3 copies of each team's calendar to include games, scrimmages, tournaments and practices. There is a 35 game cap; 37 with a home and away game scheduled with Grantsburg.
- <u>Schedules on Web Site/Team Pages</u>: The D-10 web site is the **Official** site for the league schedules. We are asking you to link to this site to prevent any miscommunication or misinformation.
- Rescheduling Procedure: The rescheduling of games is done through the league coordinators. Lee Holum, Jeff Zwerdling and Roger Sundeen are to be contacted by the coordinators only after the rescheduled game has been approved.

• <u>Upcoming Dates</u>:

- A handout of tournament locations was distributed. Have your workers ready for the tournaments. Worker passes will be distributed at the February 4th meeting. Arenas have the hours for tournaments. See the handbook for tournament staffing. One shift = Two games, in which a pass will be given.
- February 16th is the tournament kick-off breakfast meeting at Broadway Pizza in Elk River at 9 AM. All Presidents and Association Reps are invited to attend. Please RSVP to John Miller by February 10th.

District Directors Report:

- There is a State meeting in 2 weeks. Agenda items include the revisiting of game limits, the waiver policy, private schools and the practice to game ratios. Verbage in the handbook needs clarification on what the definition of community based is.
- We need to look at recruitment and retention within our district by promoting our product and the best way to advertise. Please share any ideas you may have with Tim Timm.
- MN Hockey season ends after the last game of the MN Hockey State Tournament.

VP – Administration:

- Competition Committee will be reviewing the levels of play and evaluating the talent.
- Please have your Squirt C teams email their scores to d10jrgold@hotmail.com (Mark Osmondson).
- D10 Tournament rosters are needed as soon as possible.

VP – Scheduler:

- Most brackets have been completed for the tournament.
- Games listed as AM, Noon, and PM
- Email Jeff if you'd like to know your ice hours.

Tournament Coordinator:

- January 15th is the last night any application for tournaments will be accepted.
- Hall of Fame Tournament generated \$14,000 that will be sent to the Hockey Hall of Fame.

Supervisor of Officials:

• Kelly OBrien is refereeing the 18U Women's Tournament in Canada.

Referee Scheduler: Due to the power outage at Cook Arena, 3 games were cancelled. Two of those games have already been rescheduled.

ACE Coordinator (Reported by Tim Timm): Any needs or questions regarding ACE or HEP should be directed to Donn Berkeland. Only 6 out of 18 Associations have ordered HEP information.

D10 Playoff Coordinator: If you are assigned to work at Anoka for the tournament, please be there and have your workers there as well. Associations assigned to Anoka include North Branch, Anoka, Centennial, Coon Rapids, Mora, Sauk Rapids, Becker/Big Lake and St. Francis.

Jr Gold Coordinator:

• There were problems encountered with scheduling (what was scheduled versus what is on the website – John Lawson is working to get this issue corrected). The Jr. Gold managers were sent schedules and that is what should be used.

- Five coaches were missing at the coaches meeting.
- Managers meeting is scheduled for December 4th at 7 PM, at Anoka.

League Coordinator Reports: League Coordinators gave there respective reports.

Association Reports:

- Andover stated how honored they were to be able to display the Iraqi Freedom Flag shadowbox at their arena.
- Blaine continues to have ongoing parent issues.
- Coon Rapids will be building a new Community Center by 2010 with a new rink and dry land training center.
- Mora's outdoor Mite Jamboree has been completed, with the Bantams coming up next.
- Spring Lake Park is looking for D-Mite teams for their Jamboree.

Unfinished Business – None.

New Business/Items from the Floor:

- Only 6 Associations have registered for the SKATE program to date. John Miller will resend the SKATE website to all Associations. D-10 will be providing gifts again this year to the SKATE program.
- HEP/Fair Play Points: Give all proposals/ideas to Craig Turner and/or Tim Timm and the Committee will take into consideration and review.

The Operation Iraqi Freedom flag display will be moved to the St. Cloud arena.

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Rhonda J. Madsen