

**District 10
General Meeting
Monday, February 4, 2008**

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

Board Members Not Present: Rhonda Madsen, Lee Hollom, Jay Fladebo, Chuck Fitzer, Scott Meyer and Rick Jelinek.

Associations Not Present: Becker/Big Lake, Blaine, Centennial, Elk River, Hinckley, North Branch, Princeton, St. Cloud and St. Francis.

Guests in attendance: Carol Carlson, Sue Sentieri, Larry Hendrickson and Mike Riley.

Motion made to accept the minutes from the general meeting on January 7, 2008, 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.

Guest Sue Sentieri and Carol Carlson were present to discuss Cyber Sport and on-line registration. They went through some of the features and indicated that they would like more associations taking advantage of this and that they would be willing to come to board meetings to explain the process. They also have a presentation that can be done in powerpoint.

Guests Larry Hendrickson and Mike Riley from the Herb Brooks Training Center came to discuss the training options that they can provide. They have training for coaches and players and focus on age appropriate training for players. They indicated that their training is top notch and affordable.

Presidents Report:

- Communications: Questions concerning leagues, please contact the appropriate league coordinator. If the league coordinator is unavailable, then contact the Youth, Girls or Jr. Gold Coordinator. If there have been any changes in your governing boards, notify John Miller as soon as possible.
- League, Tournament and all Penalty Assessments: All bills must be paid before any association teams can advance to the District Tournament.
- District Tournament Workforce: Please review the requirements for the staffing of District tournaments. The information is on pages 40 and 41 in the D-10 Handbook. Be aware of the fines that can be assessed to those associations that fall short. Please make sure that you have qualified people for each position.
- District Tournament Kickoff Breakfast: On February 16, 2008 at 9 AM at Broadway Pizza in Elk River all presidents and association reps are invited to attend. Please RSVP by Sunday, February 10, 2008.
- Conduct During Tournament: Let's make an effort to control the conduct of all during the tournament. The coaches, players, and associations have worked hard to get to this point. Let's remember why we are here and not ruin the experience for everyone.
- Tournament Policy: While the fair play point is not in effect for the District Tournament, I would like to remind everyone that the zero tolerance policy is still in effect. If a spectator is removed from a District Tournament game, that removal is for the remainder

of the District Tournament for ALL SITES and WILL NOT receive a refund of their ticket price.

- Game Cap Violation Fines: The associations are responsible for monitoring their teams. The policy on the game cap violation fines was handed out at the April 07 Annual Meeting. Totals will be added as each team completes the District Tournament.

District Directors Report:

- Discernment Meeting: MN Hockey is working on a survey that will be live on the MH website. This survey will encompass questions that the Directors and Executive Board feel that we need input on. We have a company that has volunteered their time to put this together. They will gather all information and report back to the MH board. We are hoping to have this on the website by February 18, 2008.
- Squirt 35 Game Cap: This is an issue that comes up many times during the year. This is not a new rule. This is a MH rule that has been in place for many years. It will not be waived for any team. Associations need to start looking at how many tournaments they let the squirt and 10U's enter. I would like to see a 3 tournament cap at this level. They need to start working on skills, not game play. D-10 will impose a fine on any association that allows teams that are under a game cap format to exceed the limit.
- District Help for Tournament Playoffs: If you are a host association for the district playoffs, you should check the D-10 handbook right away. You will find all of the information that you will need for the playoff help on page 39. It is important that at least 2 persons handle the cash and ticket area. This is where the district gets a large amount of money for operations. Let's make sure you have the best possible help you can. Please train your clock keepers before the district playoffs start.
- Super Sunday: This year Super Sunday will be at Anoka and Blaine. Youth at Anoka and the girls at Fogerty.
- Blue Puck: I sent out an email regarding this issue. This is an USA Hockey rule. Please follow it – do not get caught not using the blue puck.

VP – Administration: Nothing to report

VP – Scheduler: Tournament brackets are all on the website with the exception of a couple. Workers passes will be distributed after the meeting.

Tournament Coordinator: Needs to see a few associations after the meeting to finalize D-10 tournament workers.

Coach in Chief: Nothing to report

Ace Coordinator: Nothing to report

Supervisor of Officials: Nothing to report

Youth Coordinator: Nothing to report

Girls Coordinator: Nothing to report

Special Hockey Coordinator: Sue attended a special hockey game and enjoyed seeing the smiles on all of the kids faces and would like to give them some pins from D-10. Craig Turner supplied her with pins and she will hand them out to the players.

Jr. Gold Coordinator: Season is going well.

Invitation Tournaments: Craig has a spreadsheet of all tournaments held in D-10.

SKATE: Nothing to report

League Coordinator Reports:

- League Coordinators gave there respective reports.
- All coordinators are working on finalizing standings and getting their information ready for the playoff book.
- If you have not submitted your rosters to Kim, please do so ASAP. Any rosters not submitted will be omitted from the playoff book.

Association Reports:

- Mora had an outdoor tournament on January 18-20th. It was a huge success and the only complaint was that some teams that had to play their game inside had wanted to play outside. There will be an article about this in the MN Hockey Journal.

New Business/Items from the Floor:

- Tim Timm indicated that if there are issues with your association and members are not happy with the process, they should fill out a grievance. Anything coming to D-10 or MN Hockey MUST be in writing – not in an email – but must be written and signed. Also, make sure you have a grievance policy in your association by-laws.
- John Miller indicated that Rhonda Madsen would not be returning on the board. John appreciated all of the work she has done for D-10 the past 10 years.

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kim Mellem/Rhonda J. Madsen