District 10 General Meeting October 1, 2007

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

Board Members Present: John Miller, Mark Osmondson, Jeff Zwerdling, Rhonda Madsen, Rick Wesp, Bruce Carlson, Lee Hollom, Bill Andrus, Hank Weurtz, Sue Andrus, Howard Dye, Dan Sinn, Doug Messerli, Scott Meyer, Cyndy Poulton, Cheryl Mechelke, Goeff Law, Colleen Donovan, and Kim Mellem.

Associations Present: Andover, Anoka, Becker/Big Lake, Cambridge/Isanti, Centennial, Champlin Park, Chisago Lakes, Coon Rapids, Elk River, Mora, North Branch, Pine City, Princeton, Rogers, Sauk Rapids, Spring Lake Park, St. Cloud, and St. Francis

Minutes from the last meeting, dated September 10, 2007: Motion made to accept the minutes, seconded, passed.

Treasurers Report: A full itemized Treasurer's Report is available for review at the conclusion of the meeting. Motion to approve the Treasurer's report, seconded, passed.

Presidents Report: A detailed handout was distributed with the following information:

Communications – report any changes in your boards; questions concerning leagues are to be addressed to the appropriate league coordinator.

Team Declarations – done via email to save time, and review levels of play in the handbook when determining your declarations.

Scheduling – There will be **no game changes from October 21 – November 6.** After the November coaches meeting for that level, game reschedules are made through and are approved by the league coordinator.

Mandatory Coaches Meetings – are scheduled for November 6 (A & B1 Bantams and Peewees), November 7 (all Girls 14U and 12U, B2 & C Bantam and Peewees) and November 8 (all Squirts and Girls 10U). Meetings will be held at the Champlin Legion beginning at 7:00 PM. On the night of a teams meeting, no scrimmages for that level are to be scheduled. Appropriate disciplinary sanctions may be imposed on those who fail to attend these meetings.

Mite Policy – during a summer presidents meeting, the associations approved language to the mite policy, which was distributed and will be in place for the upcoming season.

Hardship Scholarship Policy – Associations should review and/or consider a hardship scholarship policy. This is an association level issue, not D-10.

District Directors Report: A detailed handout was distributed with the following information:

Waivers – please review the specific policy on waivers in the handbook. Only the District Director will be allowed to grant them.

Day-to-Day Operations – please call John Miller, President or Mark Osmondson, Vice President for day-to-day issues.

HEP information was available.

Minnesota Hockey – the state meeting was held and went well:

- o Make sure that all paid employees are 1099'd.
- o D-10 had 6,273 kids registered last year.
- o The MH golf tournament raised \$4,300 for scholarships.
- o Certificates of Insurance can be obtained through Bruce Kruger (763-478-4671).
- o USA Hockey has updated their website.
- o Coaches Association is looking at a longer season. It is imperative that you contact your arena and find out how this will impact them. If I don't hear from you by 10/05/07, I will take the position that ice will not be a problem for you to retain.

Mites - Roster changes will be allowed until 01/30/07 for mites. All changes must be based on the skills program that was agreed upon at the summer Presidents meeting.

Teams – Last year the associations asked the district to help get the C-program going. D-10 put a lot of time and effort into this. What happened to the associations commitment?

Background Check Forms – if you have not submitted your coaches and board you cannot be with the kids. Everyone that has any contact with the kids and is over the age of 18 must be screened.

VP Scheduler: If emailing anyone in the district, please note which association you are with.

Ice Schedulers; please email Jeff with your name, phone number and association. Again, no game changes 10/21/07 - 11/06-07.

Supervisor of Officials: Nothing to report

Referee Scheduler: If you have a scrimmage scheduled, call or email for ref coverage.

D-10 Playoff Coordinator: Contact Rick Wesp for D-10 patches.

Youth Coordinator: Nothing to report.

Jr. Gold Coordinator: Team declarations will be after the high school tryouts. Final declarations will be due before Thanksgiving.

Special/Disabled Hockey Coordinator: There has been contact made with Janelle Gustafson at Courage Center.

Susie Miller, Edina, is having their first skate this Saturday for the disabled. Please let everyone know that anyone with a physical or mental disability that would be interested in skating should contact Sue Andrus.

Cost is \$150 per skater.

We are looking for equipment.

Hall of Fame: The Hall of Fame Tournament will be held November 8-11 and is currently full. Volunteers are needed. Contact Craig Turner.

Association Reports:

Anoka – is looking for 14U (they currently have 5) and Peewee C Players.

Becker – is looking for a Squirt goalie; and has one 14U player that needs a place to play.

Centennial – and email will be going out to all presidents regarding the Squirt C scheduling meeting; the 19U team needs players.

Chisago Lakes – is looking Peewee goalies.

Coon Rapids – Barb Anderson, peewee mom, has been diagnosed with cancer. Two fundraisers have occurred where \$20,000 has been raised. This Saturday at Short Stop in Coon Rapids there will be another fundraiser. It will be \$10 at the door with a raffle. 100% of the proceeds go to the family. All information is posted on the Coon Rapids website.

North Branch – has co-oped with St. Francis.

Rogers – is looking for goalies at all levels.

St. Cloud – is looking for a Bantam goalie.

Unfinished Business:

Annual 07-08 Guides were distributed.

Mark Osmondson asked associations to provide the name of their high school's Athletic Director to him.

Final Team Declarations

D-6 will sponsor the 19U's

If you need players, the website has all of the Association Presidents listed.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting, seconded, passed.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Rhonda J. Madsen, D-10 Secretary.