

DISTRICT 10

Regular Board Meeting – November 3rd, 2008

7:00pm – Champlin Arena

Members/Officers not in attendance: John Miller, Jeff Zwerdling, Dick Hanson, Lee Hollom, Sue Andrus, Chuck Fitzer, Dan Sinn, John Lawson, Cheryl Mechelke, Colleen Donovan, Karl Rasmussen

Associations not in attendance: Becker/Big Lake, Chisago Lakes, Hinkley, Princeton, Sauk Rapids, Spring Lake Park

Guests in attendance: Mike Snee

Meeting called to order at 7:03pm by VP – Mark Osmondson

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes from the October meeting as written.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the Treasurer's Report. A full – itemized Treasurer's Report is available for review at the conclusion of the meeting. Roger indicated that the bills have been sent out for half of what you will owe. The other half will be billed out in February.

D10 President-John Miller. Mark Osmondson gave this report in John's absence.

- **Communications:** If there has been any change in your governing boards, get the changes to me as soon as possible. Most communications are done by e-mail. Questions concerning leagues please contact the appropriate league coordinator, if the coordinator is unavailable then either the Youth, Girls or Jr.Gold coordinator. If you contact me I usually send to the coordinator.
- **Schedulers and Registrars:** Thank you for your effort and dedication. For the Ice Schedulers with the number of games you are scheduling and also keeping the number of single games at a very low number. For the Registrars, with out your hard work and diligence the teams would not be able to play. I also want to thank all District 10 board members who helped with the roster sign-offs and did a great job of checking the rosters
- **Schedules on web sites/team pages:** The District 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. From the District Handbook: **NOTE:** Failure to show up for a game with your team without just cause will result in the coach and possibly the association being disciplined by the District 10 board of directors. This discipline could be as severe as the coach being banned from coaching and the association fined. The League Coordinator must approve any reason you feel is just cause to not play a scheduled game. Page 22 Sec.E. For the teams that miss a game, all rescheduling penalties will apply in addition to the disciplinary actions mentioned above.
- **Rescheduling Procedure:** The rescheduling of games is done through the league coordinators after the coaches meetings. Lee Holom, Jeff Zwerdling and Roger Sundeen are to be contacted only by the coordinators and only after the rescheduled game has been approved.
- **Coaches Meetings:** Tuesday Nov.4, 2008-Bantam B2&C, Peewee B2&C, Girls 12U. Wednesday Nov.5 2008, Squirt A, B1 &B2 and Girls 10U. Both meetings are at the Champlin Legion and start at 7PM. These meetings are mandatory for the head coach and team manager.

D10 Director – Tim Timm

- 2 nights left for mandatory coach/manager meetings. Everything going well.
- Book sign off went great. Please thank your registration directors for all of their hard work. We did not have to red-line very many players from rosters and that is a testament of the great job your registration directors are doing!
- We have had 100 game changes already! IF you need to re-schedule a game, follow the D10 policy. Make sure you are contact your League Coordinators first.
- I want to thank Craig Turner for his hard work and dedication to the Hall of Fame tournament this past weekend. He, Rhonda Madsen, Dick Hanson, Hank Wuertz and Kim Mellem were there the whole weekend helping out. Thanks to all of the D10 members that were there!

D10 VP Administration – Mark Osmondson

- Need declaration information from about 8 associations as to how many U8 and SQC teams you will carry.
- Introduced Mike Snee – new Executive Director for MN Hockey.
 - Mike just wanted to express his gratitude for all of the work that everyone in D10 does. He stopped by the HOF tournament this past weekend and was also able to see the book sign-off process. Mike’s mission with MN Hockey is team retention and recruitment. He is also here to support us with any needs we may have.
 - Mike discussed the KEMP’S promotion. It is a 96 oz jug of milk that will have the MN Hockey and MN WILD logo on it. .05 cents from each jug sold will go to MN Hockey.

D10 VP Scheduler – Jeff Zwerdling

- Not in attendance.

D10 Coach-in-Chief – Karl Rasmussen

- Not in attendance

D10 ACE Coordinator – Donn Berkland

- 6 associations have still not provided him with material needs. Donn will email those associations with a reminder.
- Donn will also be emailing the associations that have to follow up with coaching certification issues. He will send one email to each association with the list of coaches that need to get current, get copies of cards, etc.

D10 Supervisor of Officials – Bruce Carlson

- Season is slightly underway and Bruce has already received a few reports. He will indicate at the next 2 coach/manager meetings the process of game reports, etc.

D10 Referee Scheduler – Lee Hollom

- Not in attendance

D10 Playoff Coordinator-Rick Wesp

- Nothing to report

D10 Youth Coordinator-Bill Andrus

- Nothing to report

D10 Special Hockey Coordinator-Sue Andrus

- Centennial team is filling up. Will be working with Rogers and that area to try and get an additional team formed. If you know of anyone that would benefit from this program – please send them Sue’s information.

D10 Girl’s Coordinator-Jay Fladebo

- Nothing to report

D10 Jr. Gold Coordinator –Hank Wuertz

- December 6th will be a coaching certification for Jr. Gold only.
- December 1st will be a scheduling meeting
- December 7th – Mandatory coaches/managers meeting.
- Please consider assigning a Jr. Gold Coordinator to your board. This will assist the District in player retention.

D10 Invitational Tournaments-Craig Turner

- Tournament applications are coming in nicely but he did want to remind directors that if there is a serious injury – you MUST fill out a catastrophic injury report.
- Craig also wanted to mention that a past D10 resident – Bill Gable has cancer. We wish him well.
- Also wanted to remind everyone that if there is a situation arises – you can fill out a game report. This is the best way to ensure attention to the matter and it’s a good idea to have the issues in writing.

D10 Hall of Fame Tournament-Craig & Hank

- Gates were down this year but we are still hoping to donate close to \$15,000.00.
- In addition to thanking the D10 help – Craig also wanted to thank Nova Care (Donn Berkeland) and all of the Refs for donating their time.

D10 SKATE Coordinator-Cyndy Poulton

- Nothing to report

Association Reports:

- Anoka – Would like to address the U14 registration timeline at the Summer Presidents meetings.
- Blaine – Had a question regarding girl’s on boy’s teams and the locker room issues. Tim explained the policy and will email it out as well.
- Camb/Isanti – wanted to thank Tim for all of his help with the waivers.
- Champlin – numbers are up about 5% for most levels.

- Coon Rapids – wondering if MN Hockey or D10 would ever think about mandating a day off. Ie – the MSHSL has Sunday’s as a mandated day off. Tim followed up this comment with a suggestion to ALL associations to keep an eye on how much the teams are on/off the ice for events. He mentioned that one team had over 60 events in about 70 days.
- Elk River – Thought they may have a decline in numbers but actually grew. About 75 new mites. Tryouts went well. Also wanted Tim to comment on the scrimmage rules for SQ and U10. Tim said that if the coaches are on the ice just calling icing/offsides, then it’s a scrimmage. You MUST be ‘teaching’ while you are on the ice.
- Mora – only 2 tryout issues.
- North Branch – They put together a mite promotion (\$40.00 total cost) and they saw their numbers jump significantly.
- Pine City – Mites doing well. #’s are better than expected. They also increased the number of players in their girls league.
- Rogers – declared two PWB1 teams at the beginning of tryouts. After tryouts – there were some parents that wanted it changed to a strong & weak team but they stayed with the original plan and kept them even. ☺
- St. Cloud – had coaching clinic that went very well. Also doing the HEP stuff with all of the levels.

Mark Osmondson led the group through initial Jr. Gold/U16 declarations.

Items from the floor:

Tim Timm indicated that a questionnaire went out to all associations regarding retention and recruitment and we have only received about 6 or 7 of them back. It is VERY important to fill these out and get them back to us. Tim will re-send it and told everyone to make sure they get it back to John Miller asap.

Tim also mentioned that we had a few families actually physically move, lease or rent JUST to get their child on a different team.

Tim asked Mike Snee (from MN Hockey) if he could look into the equipment grant again. Mike said he would and that he would also look into the ‘starter’ equipment packages as well.

Kim Mellem thanked Champlin Park and Coon Rapids for their dedication to helping place some U14 girls.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm.

Minutes recorded by D10 Secretary, Kim Mellem

