

April 16, 2007 7:00pm
District 10 Annual General Meeting
Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order 7:03pm by District 10 President John Miller

Roll Call Associations:

Roll Call Board Members:

John Miller asked if there were any corrections to the April 2006 Annual General Meeting minutes which are posted on the District 10 web site. There were none, so he asked for approval, motion to accept by Tim Timm, 2nd by John Lawson. Motion approved.

Presentation by Manny Guerera and Susie Miller about the Disabled Hockey program. Represented by Chris Winkle (coach from Centennial).

Manny informed us about sled hockey, amputee hockey and hearing impaired hockey for disabled youth in the state of MN. He also brought us up to speed with other states that have programs, he pointed out the benefits for these kids.

They need help growing the program with the following from the associations.

1. Advertise on local association websites.
2. Donating ice time for activities.
3. Financial donations (sponsor).

Susie pointed out there were 37 skaters this past season, two teams were hosted, one by Blaine and the other by Edina. With the program in place, spreading the word to as many people possible will help them increase participation.

For 07/08 season, they are striving to have three teams, likely Centennial, Edina and Woodbury.

There was a motion from Jeff Zwerdling for the District 10 to donate \$5,000 to the disabled hockey program, 2nd by Howard Dye. Vote taken, motion passed.

President's Report: John Miller

Thanked the associations, referees and District 10 board members for all their help with making this past season a success.

Thanked Brad Erickson and Colleen Muske who resigned their positions on the District 10 board.

John discussed the "Time Line For Items" special attention to sending in updated board member info.

District 10 Directors Report: Tim Timm

Tim reviewed "Director Notes" special attention to the associations to take their "affiliate agreement", fill it out and return to him before the spring MN hockey meeting.

Reel in the mite program! Tim asked all associations to eliminate tryouts for these levels. He informed them of mite parents already asking for waivers, (no waivers for any mite). Mite teams are putting too much emphasis on games and not enough on development.

Tim thanked everyone for all their hard work.

Treasurer's Report: Roger Sundeen

Roger explained balance sheet, asked for questions (none) motion by John Lawson to accept, 2nd by Cindy Poulton. Treasurer's report accepted.

VP Scheduling Report: Jeff Zwerdling

Stated that the district would not take on Squirt "C" this next season. The reason is we need to get the Bantam and PeeWee "C" levels to where they need to be first.

No cross district "A" Bantam games planned for 07/08, all within District 10.

Jeff reviewed the "no free period" for game changes. Black out dates are from the scheduling meeting until the coaches/mgrs meeting.

Lisa Hockert (Centennial) asked if U14 Girls tryouts conflict with HS girls tryouts, would it be possible to have this level scheduled at a later time. It was pointed out the Bantams in the outlying associations have had this problem for years and have dealt with it in a manner to still have their teams/schedules run smoothly. It was also noted that it could be looked at if problems increase.

Invitational Tournament Coordinator Report: Craig Turner

The Hall of Fame tournament held in Nov 2006 is donating \$10,000 to the MN Hockey hall of Fame.

This years Hall of Fame Hockey tournament will be held the 2nd weekend in November & will have "A" Bantam, "A" PeeWee & U12 "A" Girls divisions.

District 10 Tournament Coordinator Report: Rick Wesp

Rick was not present but asked Mark Osmondson to thank all the associations who sent workers to Blaine and Anoka for the District 10 playoffs. He also wanted to thank Anoka & Isanti for Regional Tournament help and Champlin Park for the Jr Gold "A" State Tournament help.

Jr Gold Coordinator Report: Hank Wuertz

Hank informed the members of a Metro Hockey League project that may drop the U16 level. The MHL is working toward making a smooth transition from Bantam to High School. Jr Gold coaches brought this up at the March coaches meeting to be considered.

A special MHL meeting April 17, 2007 will discuss this option further.

It was pointed out by Lisa Hockert (Centennial) that they would not be in favor of dropping the U16 program

The following District 10 League Coordinators reported on their leagues in District, Regional and State Tournament play:

Youth Coordinator Bill Andrus:

Very good season, thanks.

A Bantam: Doug Messerli:

Very good representation from District 10 at Regional and State Tournaments.

B1 Bantam: Craig Turner:

3 teams @ Regions, 2 @ State,

Scott Meyer:

Very good tournament.

A PeeWee (John M)

Regions: Elk River 1st, Rogers 2nd, Champlin Park 3rd.

B1 PeeWee (John M)

Elk River and Andover played

A Squirt (John M)

Elk River 1st, Blaine 2nd

Bill Andrus:

B1Squirt Spring Lake Park 1st, Princeton 2nd, Champlin Park 3rd

B2 Squirt Elk River Red 1st, Blaine White 2nd

U10A Blaine 1st, Andover 2nd, East Wright Co 3rd

U10B Centennial 1st, Spring Lake Park 2nd, Coon Rapids vs Princeton for consolation.

U12A Centennial 1st, ER runner up Centennial State Champs, ER 3rd at State

U14A Centennial 1st, E Wright Co 2nd, Blaine 3rd

John Miller made the statement that although we had a lot of success with our teams, we still need to put the teams at the correct competitive level, too many teams are playing at too high of a level.

John Lawson:

Champlin Park Jr Gold A played in the State tournament.

Nominations for 07/08 District 10 board:

Nominations from the floor were asked by John Miller, nothing from the floor, motion for a white ballot was made by Bill Andrus, 2nd by John Lawson, motion approved.

The following people were reelected to the District 10 Board for another 2-year term:

John Miller, Jeff Zwerdling, Roger Sundeen, Hank Wuertz, Mark Osmondson, Donn Berkeland, Dan Sinn, Howard Dye, Rick Jelinek, Craig Turner, John Lawson, Chuck Fitzer & Cindy Poulton

The following people were newly elected members to the District 10 Board for a 2-year term:

Cheryl Mechelke, Colleen Donovan

There are still 3 open positions to be yet filled on the District 10 Board.

John Miller was reelected by the District 10 board to serve as President for the 07/08 season.

John Miller asked for any arena info changes to be sent to Doug Messerli so he can update the handbook.

Skate Program: Cindy Poulton

Donations to the Association who participated were handed out. Money was collected from fines and penalties.

New Business:

07/08 tentative schedule was handed out.

John referred to "time line for items"

Lisa Hockert volunteered to assemble the agenda for the summer President meetings. She will also set up dates and location.

Tim Timm asked to have associations to work towards keeping all the U19 eligible girls playing in that league.

Tim also noted he was in favor of keeping the U16 Jr Gold program.

Introduction of new association presidents, John Haller from Sauk Rapids and Laurie Seifert-Kissner from St Cloud.

Tim also mentioned that the associations who merged last year for various levels were very successful. He is working with a few others who have requested help for the 07/08 season. He said if you have a thought about it, call him.

Items from the floor:

Sauk Rapids asked about the HS coaches and volunteer HS kids who help at practices if the registration fee had been discussed. Tim stated it would likely be discussed at the MN Hockey summer mtg.

AAA coaches are asking for copies of USA hockey roster, DON'T ALLOW THEM TO SEE IT! Personal information is to be kept confidential. Refer to Carol Carlson if they persist.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Tim Timm, 2nd by John Lawson. Motion approved, meeting ended 8:50pm

Minutes submitted by Mark Osmondson