

District 6 Meeting Minutes
Nov. 10th, 2009

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm

Directors present: Brian Bellgraph, Tobin Boyd, Jean Laxton, Dave Stankewicz, Cathy Gorski, and Jim Klinesmith. **Not Present;** Paul Tiefenthal

District associations present: GRAHA, EGRAHA, Big Rapids, Berrien Springs, Chelsea, Adrian, AAAHA, Kentwood, Holland, Battle Creek, Jackson, Southside, CC Pride, West MI JV, West Shore, KOHA, GLAHA, Rockford, HAWKS and S2.

Guest Present: Art Kale-D-6 RIC and Shirley Decker-USA Hockey D-6 Registrar

Minutes for October reviewed and approved by district council.

Financial report: Presented and reviewed by district council. No concerns noted at this time.

STAR/Hearings: Hearings- There is an Ann Arbor Bantam B hearing on Monday, 16th in Lansing, Chelsea was informed that they may appeal their hearing findings to the D-6 Directors. It will then be presented to the State play-off meetings in Southgate on Dec. 5th to be voted on at that time. Currently all teams with in the Chelsea Association are ineligible for Districts and State play-offs.

STAR-No STAR Incident Reports filed at this time

Update from D-6 RIC: Art Kale reported that there were a couple of match penalties over the past couple of weeks. One incident that he wanted to note was that any incident that occurs off the ice is NOT the responsibility of the referees. Such incidents should be handled by the rink manager and/or ice director of that site. Please, if you have any issues with referees, contact the local RIC with these concerns.

ACE Director: Brian Bellgraph reported that there was a meeting on Nov. 7th. Only 4 associations and 2 JV teams showed up. There will be a student coaching seminar at Grand Valley on Dec 1st. at 6pm. If you have any questions or concerns with coaches, please contact Brain.

Old Business:

- ✓ **Hockey Day in Michigan:** Please look for emails sent from Mike Slobonik regarding events for this day. Please make sure ALL cross ice programs are registered with USA Hockey.
- ✓ **Team counts:** A spread sheet was sent around at meeting for associations to review and correct if necessary.
- ✓ **Trophies and Medals for districts:** There were two businesses that presented medal ideas and one business for trophies. Standale Recognition was voted on by district council to make District 6 Tournament trophies and medals.
- ✓ **ADM presentation:** The ADM presentation will be Dec. 9, 2009 at Kentwood High School at 6pm. Please encourage your associations, board members, and parent to attend this important meeting. Bob Mancini from USA Hockey will be in for the meeting.

- ✓ **2010-2011 Hockey Season Registration:** Registration dates will change back to Sept. 1st thru Aug. 31st.
- ✓ **Hosting Tournaments:** All associations and/or rinks that plan to host a tournament, please remember that you need to obtain a sanction number. Any questions, please contact Bob Yohe.

New Business:

- ✓ **Review Team/Player Exception Requests:** All team exceptions are due by Nov. 15th, 2009. All player exceptions are due by Dec. 1st, 2009.
- ✓ **Review Intent to enter District Tournament:** Each team that enters the District 6 Tournament need to have their \$400.00 deposit sent in by Dec. 1st, 2009. Any team that has entered and wishes to withdraw from the tournament need to do so prior to Dec. 1st, 2009. If any team withdraws from the tournament after Dec. 1st, 2009, will face penalties to the coaches, team manager, and all players.
- ✓ **Credential Requirement Forms for District/State:** All forms can be found on the MAHA D-6 website. Please make sure each team completes these forms properly.
- ✓ **Review MAHA State Playoff sites, dates, and locations:** Peewee A was awarded to District 7 and Midget AA was awarded to District 3.
- ✓ **Review MAHA Runner-up Play-offs:** The schedule for the Runners-up tournament will be posted on the website in Dec.
- ✓ **Rule Change Proposal for MAHA:** All rule proposal changes need to be submitted by Dec. 8th, 2009. Any questions, please contact a Jim Klinessmith.

Next council meeting – Dec. 8th, 2009 at Coral Gables, Lansing at 7:00pm