

MICHIGAN AMATEUR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION DISTRICT 2



OCTOBER 21, 2003 MEETING MINUTES

Directors: Mickey Jesue (Chair) Doug Diroff
 Rick Frescura Debbie Beatty
 Gary Wojowuzski Debbie Zimmerman
 Gordon Lietz

Council: Bob Brayman
 Jerry Ralko

Registration

Rick noted that registration went very well this year. Things that still need to be done:

- Instructional Programs still need to be registered. Please try to complete by the end of October.
- Exception letters must be turned in by November 15th. These letters are only needed for teams that have been flagged.
- District forms are available from Rick if lost or misplaced.
- For player leaving for High School, write one letter with all players leaving to Rick stating the team name, number (registration number), player name, number of games played and date they stopped participation.

Rick discussed the process for releasing a player. Players must be released in a timely manner. Normally no longer than 24 hours after requested. The only exception to this is if the player owes money or has equipment that hasn't been returned.

The top area of the release form is filled out by the Head Coach. The middle portion is completed by the association representative. The bottom portion is completed by the USA Hockey Registrar. White and pink copies go to the player, yellow is forwarded to USA Hockey Registrar and the gold remains with the releasing team. When the player finds a new team, he is not allowed to practice with the team until he signs the roster. The player has a 72-hour wait period to play games. This begins when Rick signs the roster. Rick will normally note the date the player can play his first game to eliminate any confusion.

Coaching & Referee Clinics

Remaining clinic dates were review. They are also available on the MAHA and District 2 web-sites. Debbie stated that she needed more help from the association ACE Coordinators. There has been only a couple of coordinators show up to help at the

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clinics. She also stressed that no cash is accepted at the clinic. Checks only or you will be turned away. If the clinic is paid for online, be sure to print the electronic receipt and bring to the clinic.

Doug reported on the level 3 renewal clinic that will be held in Livonia on December 13th. An application is available via the MAHA web page in the CEP section.

Referee's

Roy Finger reported that the Mini-Mite/Mite Christmas tournament being held in Dearborn is going to be used to train 50 new level 1 referees. They will be shadowed by an experienced referee in a hands on training format. Everyone thought this was a great way to help level 1 referee's get their feet wet.

New Business

Mickey and Doug discussed the USA Hockey Sled program. Plans were reviewed for accumulating a set of sleds that will be available in D2. The DISC has offered to store the sleds when not in use. Doug mentioned that many associations have already pledged to buy a sled but more are needed. Any association interested in donating a sled should contact Doug.

Mickey suggested that D2 request a grant to assist with implementing the sled program. The group agreed that this would be a great use of the grant process.

November Meeting

Next months meeting will be November 18th and will be held at the Ice Box beginning at 7:30PM.