

Minnesota Hockey - District 16  
Winter 2021-22 Meeting – February 14, 2022  
Sparky's 218 Grill – Red Lake Falls, MN

Prior to official meeting start a toast was held in the memory of Lew Erickson from Roseau who passed away in January. Lew was a longtime leader in the Roseau hockey program and District 16. Thanks for all you did for our area players Lew.

- I. Meeting called to order at 4:00pm
- II. Roll Call: Associations present: Bagley, Bemidji, Crookston, East Grand Forks, Hallock, Lake of the Woods, Red Lake Falls, Roseau, Thief River Falls, Walker and Warroad  
Associations Absent: None
- III. Agenda Additions – None at this time.
- IV. Approve Fall minutes: Warroad – Moved / LOW – Second. Motion approved.
- V. Upcoming Spring State Meeting – April 22-24 in Golden Valley. Elections will be held for President, VP of Marketing, Women's Director, Disabled Director and USAH Girls/Women's Rep. USA Hockey fees to increase next year - \$15 for 5-6 year old players and a tiered fee format for 7 year old through adult players. LOW questioned what USA Hockey's plan is for additional fees. Send Elliott any items you would like discussed, if you or someone from your association is interested in a board position and/or if someone from your association is interested in attending. Summer meeting will be June 24-26 in Minneapolis and Fall meeting will be in Bemidji on September 16-18.
- VI. District, Region and State Tournament Hosts – All host site prepared for district tournaments. Warroad has trophies for all hosts to take back with them. Team participation fee is \$300 as set in 2021. No admission charge for parents or fans. The expectations for visiting teams leaving locker rooms clean was discussed and will be added to Spring meeting agenda. Abuse of Officials was discussed and any issues will be dealt with severely – such as no regional tournament opportunity for an offending team/coaches/parents. Reminded all that advance to complete EBUG paperwork if needed. Information is on website. Completed seeding for all district tournaments. Questions on the process for squirts and girls 10U since all teams do not play each other. Idea of a Fall Jamboree was discussed. Also discussed possibility of having parent of visiting team work in their team's penalty box. Both of those discussions will continue. All tournament scores should be text to Dragich @ 218-791-0229. Website will be updated at scored are reported. Our district will send two teams to the West Regional Tournaments. No regional tournaments in District 16 this year. Duluth is hosting a Northern Regional for PWB2 teams. D16 will send two teams. Lake of the Woods and East Grand Forks are both prepared to host MN Hockey State Tournaments. Both will have banquets on Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup>.
- VII. Committee Reports:
  1. Stats – Mike Peterson – not present.
  2. District Webpage – send any information/updates to Peterson, Dragich or Elliott.
  3. Coach-In-Chief – Jay Hardwick – not present.
  4. ACE Coordinator – Garrett Bitzer – not present.
  5. Referees – Ron Laturi – not present.
  6. HP Programs – Boulianne reported Spring program registration is ongoing, coaches mostly in place.
  7. HP 15 Girls – Need a person or persons to replace Tom Murphy.
  8. Risk Manager – Elliott said reports are to be sent to Travis Johnson.
  9. Girls Hockey – Nothing
  10. Retention-Recruitment – Sherri Olson of Duluth is person to contact with questions or if looking for ideas.
- VIII. Old Business:
  1. Mark Elliott – added email address – [elliottm@paulbunyan.net](mailto:elliottm@paulbunyan.net).
  2. Association Contacts – should all be sent to Mark Elliott and updated as changes occur.
  3. Non-rostered players – if needing to use a spare/emergency goalie let Elliott know prior so he can sign off on it.
  4. Mite Travel games – Schedules must be sent to Elliott for approval.
- IX. New Business:
  1. Gamesheet – system is probably here to stay. All associations should get onboard.
- X. Other Business:
  1. **Spring Meeting** – Will be held in Crookston on Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> 4:00pm at a place to be determined.
- XI. With no further business Bemidji moved to adjourn meeting, seconded by Roseau. Motion carried.