

**Blaine Youth Hockey Association**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**December 17, 2007, 7:00 pm, Fogerty Arena**

**Attendees:** Kristi Zamrzla, Brad Slawson, Shannon Gilbert, Jon Ketola, Scott Penn, Todd Erne, Tom Bloyer and Mike Brodzinski (arrived at 7:37 pm).

Kristi Zamrzla called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Motion made (Bloyer), seconded (Erne) to approve the December 17, 2007 agenda. Motion carried.**

**Charitable Gambling Report:** Rich Nordlund was not present. Amy Klochie presented the report on his behalf. The receipts were down for the month of October but were higher in November. With the way December was looking the receipts should be good too. Bingo is going really well. **Motion made (Slawson), seconded (Gilbert) to approve the Charitable Gambling Report for November 2007. Motion carried. Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Slawson) to approve the Charitable Gambling Expenses for January 2007. Motion carried.**

Brad Slawson brought up electronic bingo and he will be getting some information for Rich and Amy to look over. Brad gave their names to the company making the electronic components so they will be contacted.

**Secretary's Report:**

**Motion made (Penn), seconded (Bloyer) to approve the November 19, 2007 meeting minutes. Motion carried.**

The last newsletter went out the end of November and the next newsletter will go out in March, 2008. She also spoke to the volunteer issues as well. **Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Penn) to amend the volunteer policy to include the penalty box, clock and score book duties as counted volunteer hours. Motion failed. Roll call vote was called for. Those who voted for the motion were Shannon Gilbert and Scott Penn. Those who voted against were Brad Slawson, Todd Erne, Jon Ketola and Tom Bloyer.**

**Open Forum**

The question was brought up about if the letter went out to the people who still have outstanding ice bills. Jon indicated that he had collected about \$6,000.00. He has 4 on a payment plan currently. The letters went out about one week after the last meeting. The top 10 – 15 people on the list have not paid. He sent out the first ice bills also and our outstanding amount could potentially increase. Jon sent out duplicate letters to the coaches for the outstanding ice bills to notify them which kids may be pulled from the ice.

**Treasurer's Report:**

**Beginning Balance (August): \$102,484.43**

**Income: \$48,911.23**

**Expenses: \$37,911.92**

**Ending Balance: \$113,483.74**

The High School programs have not been paid the amounts that were voted payable to them. We still owe the Schwan's Super Rink for 2 months of ice yet and the Herb Brooks programs. The information was sent to Legacy. The outstanding deposits will be credited tomorrow through the bank. Payment for the non-parent head coaches will go out.

**Vice President's Report:**

Brad Slawson reported that the Operations Committee will meet in January to discuss the suggestions for next years' tryouts and having coordinators at each level of play from Squirts through Junior Gold. He again indicated he is trying to facilitate an informational meeting for the electronic bingo.

## **President's Report:**

Kristi wanted to put out a big thank you to Becky and Randy for all their help with the tournament. Everything went very smoothly. Blaine PeeWees and U14 each won their prospective tournaments. The silent auction items were all bid upon and purchased. BYHA will get a percentage of the amount taken in by that vendor.

Kristi thanked Jon Ketola for agreeing to be the Junior Gold B team. She asked if the Mite level goalies were provided sticks. In the past the B level goalies would be provided sticks if they were passing the goalie position around between players. Kristi Zamrzla asked Todd Erne about any plans for goalie development planned for this year. He is looking into it. We do reduce the cost of play to the goalies.

The Ice Scheduler's, Bill Marshall's, term is up this year. BYHA needs someone to take his position. Bill has agreed to help the next coordinator during next year. District 10 will put out a list of the coaches they have copies of their CEP cards. All coaches have to have their cards in.

Kristi gave kudos to the C-squirt Blue team for the compliment on their good behavior at their tournament. This was put on the website.

## **Coordinators' Reports:**

**Ice Scheduler** – Bill Marshall – Bill was not present.

**Fundraising** – Denise Linderholm and Julie Milligan – There was no report.

**Sponsorship** – Todd Erne – Todd questioned the sponsorship banner in Fogerty North and asked if we could take it down as it is outdated. He indicated that the Super Rink hung a banner in our rink and they can do that per the contract. Kristi noted that she liked the banners hanging in Super Rink 8.

**Volunteer Coordinator** – Shannon Gilbert – Report given during the Secretary's Report.

## **Director's Reports:**

**Girls Traveling** – Randy Thunstrom – Not present. A meeting will be scheduled with the U14 team.

**Boys Traveling** – Mike Brodzinski – Mike offered a thank you to Jon Ketola for agreeing to coach the Junior Gold B team. They had to cut 2 kids from that level as they had not played hockey before. A refund is owed to the families of those players. The B-1 teams are having good seasons. The A Bantams are currently listed as #1. The B2 Bantam teams are struggling some. They have lost some players to injuries. For future reference, Mike indicated that we will have to look at the numbers we have available first and then look at the talent we have available prior to setting teams.

**In-house** – Scott Penn – The outdoor ice has started today. The schedule has been posted on the website. There have been some websites for teams that have been locked and not viewable. Kristi put out a reminder that per District 10, the websites need to remain unlocked. Pictures are done and the security was good. There were not any complaints from the High School this year.

The ice on the ice store, can a mite team get ice from there? It was discussed and agreed that if the mite team picks up the ice within 72 hours of the ice time the ice is free. If they take it more than 72 hours in advance, the team will be billed for those hours. Brad asked Bill Marshall and Bill indicated he agreed with the 72 hour time frame.

**ACE Coordinator / Development** – Todd Erne – Todd has a card from the GDI group and he will look into what they have available for Goalie Development. Andover is looking for Goalie clinics also. He is going to look into running something together. Andover is agreeable to this idea.

**Equipment** – Tom Bloyer – There are right handed goalie catcher's in the equipment room. There are jerseys in the office that need to be moved to the equipment room.

## Old Business

A) No Old Business for discussion.

## New Business

- A) **The SKATE Committee Budget:** Judy Rotzien sent the budget to be looked at by the Board and approved. District 10 has not given us any of the SKATE supplies yet (Certificates, bag tags, a T-shirt and a small gift). **Motion made (Penn), seconded (Gilbert) to approve the SKATE budget as presented. Motion passed.** It was brought up about BYHA doing our own program and not going through District 10.
- B) **Boys' High School FSN night:** There was a request from the Boy's High School team to cover the cost of the youth that wear their Blaine Hockey Jerseys to the FSN night on 01/19/2008 game against Maple Grove. The High School team is planning fan give-aways, a costume contest and a food drive for that night. Last year this night cost BYHA \$300 - \$400 for the youth that attended. **Motion made (Slawson), seconded (Brodzinski) to pay for the youth admissions for the youth wearing Blaine jerseys. Motion passed.**

**Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Penn) to close the meeting. Motion carried.** A break was also called for at this time. The meeting was reconvened at 8:25 pm.

Mike Brodzinski left the meeting at 8:30 pm.

Outstanding ice bills were discussed. There was one request for hardship.

**Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Slawson) to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.