

Blaine Youth Hockey Association
Board Meeting Minutes
January 19, 2009, 7:00 pm, Fogerty Arena

Attendees: Todd Erne, Brad Slawson, Shannon Gilbert, Tom Bloyer, Mike Brodzinski, Randy Thunstrom, Chuck Taylor and Scott Ullan. Gretchen Severin arrived at 7:30pm.

Todd Erne called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Motion made (Slawson), seconded (Taylor) to approve the January, 19, 2009 agenda. Motion carried.

SKATE Coordinator: Michelle Larson gave the State form to Chuck Taylor to send in for SKATE. The SKATE program will be held at the Blaine High School Auditorium on 05/05/2009. Michelle presented the budget to the board. **Motion made (Slawson), seconded (Thunstrom) to approve the presented budget without the gift cards for the honorees. Motion carried.**

Charitable Gambling: Suzanne Slawson reported that charitable gambling donated \$34,000 this month to BYHA. The final audit is in from Steve Kolb. The monthly expense will increase the next month to account for the additional advertising Suzanne. The cap on advertising per the state law is \$5000. The MEGA BINGO will hopefully be up and running in February. Suzanne indicated she will need to hire extra help for auditing the games. She will pay about \$10.00 per hour and the worker(s) will get between 6-8 hours per week or about \$12,000 per year and they have to be a member of BYHA. **Motion (Slawson), seconded (Ullan) to hire help for auditing the charitable gambling games. Motion carried. Motion made (Slawson), seconded (Thunstrom) to approve the December 2008 Charitable Gambling Report. Motion carried. Motion made (Gilbert), Seconded (Bloyer) to approve the February 2009 Charitable Gambling Expense Report. Motion carried.**

Motion made (Slawson), seconded (Brodzinski) to approve the December 22, 2008 minutes. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report: Shannon Gilbert reported that the volunteer hours will be posted soon on the website for the District 10 tournaments. There have also been some great articles submitted this year from the Team Reporters. Thank you Team Reporters. The SKATE meeting is scheduled for 01/25/2009 from 1:00pm to 3:00pm in the Conference Room at Fogerty Arena. The team managers or a representative from each team needs to be present at this meeting. Mark Mortenson will be setting up an apparel committee to work on jerseys and association wide sweat suits. A reminder was put out for the volunteers to submit their volunteer time on the forms on the website so I can more easily log in the volunteer times.

Thanks went out to Mike Laciskey for the scoreboard directions. There has been a lot of positive feedback

Treasurer's Report – Chuck Taylor reported that the year end audits are done. The changes shown in the net assets are due to the decrease in used equipment. Brad Slawson asked if Steve Kolb could come to a meeting. Chuck will look into that. We recovered \$8,000 - \$9000 in the collections so far. The ice payments have been coming in from this season's billings.

Vice President's Report – Brad Slawson reported that he met with Paul from the Super Rink and he wanted to talk about more advertising.

President's Report – Todd Erne- Gretchen Severin attended the District 10 meeting for him and the discussion there was about the District 10 Tournaments.

Open Forum – There were no comments for Open Forum.

Ice Scheduler - Bill Marshall indicated we are about the same place we were last year with the ice. The Centennial trade did not cost us anything and we did not lose any prime hours really in the trade. Todd Erne spoke up about selling the share of Centennial. We will eat some ice time from the cancelled tournaments this season but we have sold some of that ice. We also burned some hours around Christmas and Thanksgiving. We have burned about 70 hours so far and that is less than what we burned last year. The second week in February he will assign more ice based on what teams make the district tournaments.

Traveling Director – Mike Brodzinski reported that there have been no complaints that have come in through the level coordinators this season. We have had a couple of ejections. He congratulated the A PeeWee's on their great season! He indicated that there are discount cards that were placed in the coordinators mailboxes that need to be handed out.

In-House Director – Tom Bloyer reported that all of the mite teams have been signed up for their prospective Jamborees. There has been one girl who has quit her A Mite team.

Ace/Development Coordinator: The Fogerty Dryland and the FHIT programs are going well this year. The extra hours are being posted on the website so that teams can pick them up as needed. The Jr. Gold team has picked up 2 hours at FHIT and if additional hours become available, they will go to the Jr. Gold. The FHIT person is at the Fogerty Dryland for the Mite players. The mentoring program with the high school players is moving forward. There will be 2-3 players per team assigned and those players will be meeting with the coaches. The A-Mites are skating between periods at the high school hockey games. TJ Huber is putting on a Mite Goalie clinic on 01/24/2009 from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm at Fogerty. Kraig Stumo will be notifying the Mite coaches and Scott Ullan will be putting it on the website.

Old Business

No old business presented.

New Business

No new business presented.

Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Thunstrom) to close the session. Motion carried. The session was closed at 7:45 pm.

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Adding a board member to be responsible for the sponsorship activities was discussed.

Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Severin) to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.