

Blaine Youth Hockey Association
Board Meeting Minutes
June 21, 2008, 7:00 pm, Fogerty Arena

Attendees: Todd Erne, Shannon Gilbert, Tom Bloyer, Chuck Taylor (7:06 pm), Mike Brodzinski, Randy Thunstrom.

Not Present: Brad Slawson, Scott Ullan and Gretchen Severin.

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

Motion made (Thunstrom), seconded (Gilbert) to approve the June 21, 2008 agenda. Motion carried.

Charitable Gambling Report: Kelly Patrin presented the Charitable Gambling report. The income is down from last year and this month has been slow too. They have put in a \$5.00 game at Tasty Pizza and that has been very popular. BeBop is doing well but Bingo and the meat raffle have not been doing very well. The charitable gambling group is in the hole by \$3000 - \$4000 to cover payroll. Kelly has talked to Ray about stopping the Bingo. Brad will talk to Ray about the Bingo. Paul at Ole Piper bought the tanning salon next door and is expanding his bar. In the remodeling, he is asking for a new booth. They have started construction and the booth will not be enclosed starting next Thursday. Todd Erne will call him tomorrow and discuss the remodel. **Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Bloyer) to approve the Charitable Gambling Report for May 2008. Motion carried. Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Thunstrom) to approve the Charitable Gambling Expenses for July 2008. Motion carried.**

Motion made (Taylor), seconded (Gilbert) to approve the May 23, 2008 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report – Shannon Gilbert reported that the decorating for the Blaine's Blazin' 4th Parade on June 28, 2008 will take place on Thursday and Friday at Tom Dreshar's shop. Our float is to line up at 10:30 am in spot number A18. The newsletter was discussed and it was postponed to July 15 for the new deadline. The newsletter would contain the registration information, coaches' applications and letters from the board members

Treasurer's Report:

Chuck Taylor reported that the outstanding ice bill amounts will be going to collections if they are not paid in full by August will be sent to a collection agency. Online registration will be in use this year and if the account shows an outstanding bill the online registration won't let you register. The bills for next season will be more structured with a standardized billing amount. The bills will be itemized and broken down per child and on family accounts. He is also preparing a credit and use policy for the concession stand workers.

Vice President's Report: No report.

President's Report: Scott Ullan attended the District 10 meeting. Centennial wants to swap hours again this year and they will agree again to pay the difference in the cost of the ice. Spring Lake Park also wants to buy ice from us also. Last year they purchased about 200 hours and they are interested in at least that amount this year.

Coordinators' Reports:

Ice Scheduler – Not present.

Tournament Scheduler – Ross and Kristi Huttenun. They will schedule tournaments and block hotels. They will also organize the BYHA sponsored tournaments. The coordinators from each age level will work with them in scheduling for each of the teams in their age group. BYHA will be sponsoring 4 tournaments over 2 different weekends. In mid-December there will be a Squirt B1 and B2 tournament and the 3rd weekend of January there will be a U12 and a PeeWee B1 tournament.

Fundraising – Denise Linderholm and Julie Milligan – They ordered 50 cases of special order candy bars and 50 cases of regular candy bars. BYHA typically goes through 150 – 200 cases of candy bars per year. They are sent 30 day COD. BYHA pays \$25 per case and the members pay \$50 per case. The additional \$25 dollars goes

toward their family's ice bill. Last year BYHA also sold \$17,000 in frozen food from Clubs Choice. This year they asked us about making the frozen food fund raiser mandatory. If the fundraiser were mandatory BYHA would get a \$2000 check from the Club Choice company plus a percentage to the organization of every \$ sold. We are the only association that does not require mandatory fundraiser. Todd Erne asked if the representative from Club Choice could come in and go over their proposal with the board. The fundraising will be put in a line item at registration and members will see their fundraising listed on their bills. Julie and Denise asked that no one but the 2 of them hand out any of the fundraising candy or products so they are better able to track the sales.

Sponsorship – No report.

Director's Reports:

Girls Traveling – Randy Thunstrom – He is having coordinators for all of the levels of play, U8, U10, U12 and U14. He talked to Rob at Fogerty and he has the hours set aside for the girls tryouts. Spring Lake Park will partner with St. Anthony this year and Randy is looking into using some of their players to fill in our teams. There are more U14 kids this year than ever. He does have 3 of the 5 outstanding Roster books in his possession. He will email out the preliminary numbers of skaters at each level by birth date.

Boys Traveling – Mike Brodzinski – Mike and Todd have spoken with a coach who is interested in coaching the Junior Gold level as a non-parent coach. He coached in New Jersey for 7 years. Shannon Gilbert asked about what pay was negotiated with this coach. Mike indicated that pay for that position had not been discussed but the coach is very qualified. Chuck Taylor suggested we need to write a policy around the payment structure for non parent coaches. Mike will move forward with negotiations with this coach. Julie Milligan asked if BYHA was going to have a U16 level this next season. The numbers of the players will have to be looked to determine the levels BYHA will be offering this year. Mike also has found an A-Bantam non parent coach who is interested but is looking for a teaching job and if he can find one in this area he would like to coach for BYHA. The level coordinators Mike has lined up are: Bantams – Craig Voltin, PeeWee/Bantam – Rich Balk. Chuck Taylor wants an organizational chart.

The coaches' applications are due in by July 15th. There are some applications in already.

In-house – Tom Bloyer – He has contracted with Sports Star Photography again for the team and individual photos this year. We received a \$1282.00 refund from them last year. He is scheduling the photo nights at the Blaine high school again over 2 nights. He will give the dates to Bill Marshall so the ice can be coordinated around the picture nights. He has a meeting planned with Scott Penn and will get more information from Scott Ullan regarding the mite program.

ACE Coordinator / Development – Scott Ullan – Not present.

Equipment – Gretchen Severin – Not present.

Open Forum:

Rich Balk asked about the waiver up process and that was explained. The numbers of skaters was discussed and it was explained that BYHA has to declare the number of teams we are going to have at each level with District 10 prior to the completion of the registration process. We do have the opportunity to fine tune our teams but the initial declaration has to be made earlier than registration. Having a meeting prior to tryouts to go over the tryout process was discussed. It was also discussed that a person should only be able to manage one team per season.

Old Business: No Old Business for discussion.

New Business: No New Business for discussion

Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Thunstrom) to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 pm.