

Blaine Youth Hockey Association
Board Meeting Minutes
December 22, 2008, 7:00 pm, Fogerty Arena

Attendees: Todd Erne, Brad Slawson, Gretchen Severin, Shannon Gilbert, Tom Bloyer, Mike Brodzinski.

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

Motion made (Severin), seconded (Brodzinski) to approve the December 22, 2008 agenda. Motion carried.

Charitable Gambling: Suzanne Slawson reported that BeBops has closed on 11/09/2008 but they are hoping to re-open in February. Broadway has opened and they are doing really well. They have made over \$22,000 in the time they have been opened. The response to Christina with the state from our organization was ready for sending. \$700 from our general fund will be paid for the penalties. Suzanne Slawson will contact Chuck Taylor regarding the payment of the fine. There are a couple of sites that are interested in talking to us about coming in for charitable gambling. Suzanne will continue to work on those. Bonuses to the pull tab workers will be paid on Wed., 12/24/2008 totalling \$1975.00. **Motion made (Severin), seconded (Brodzinski) to approve the November 2008 Charitable Gambling Report. Motion carried. Motion made (Slawson), Seconded (Severin) to approve the January 2009 Charitable Gambling Expense Report. Motion carried.**

Treasurer's Report – Chuck Taylor was not present.

Vice President's Report – Brad Slawson reported that several of the coaches both parent and non-parent have not been paid or credited yet for this season. This will be brought to Chuck Taylor's attention.

President's Report – Todd Erne- no report.

Open Forum – Tom Dreshar and Mike Lacisky spoke on behalf of Soderville Athletic Association and asked if they could put a link on our website. The also asked if BYHA wanted to put a sign up on their field at the homerun fence. Todd Erne confirmed that it was a home run sign and the field specified was the U13 – U19 field on Crosstown. **Motion made (Brodzinski), seconded (Slawson) to spend \$300.00 to put up a sign on the SAA Crosstown field. Motion carried.** Tom and Mike will contact Chuck Taylor regarding the web link and the sign.

Tom Dreshar also asked about the BYHA Golf Tournament. He asked if BYHA knew when it was being scheduled for and who was in charge of the planning. Todd Erne spoke about adding another Board member to handle the sponsorship, tournament, and CG issues. Tom agreed that if the tournament was held earlier, he would be willing to run the tournament. Questions were brought up about the Moundsview/Irondale Tournament at the Super Rink. We questioned if anyone knew how much money they made. Todd Erne will look into that.

Mike Lacisky asked if there were any instructions written anywhere for the clocks in both Fogerty North and South. He volunteered to write clear instructions on the workings of both clocks and asked if that would count for his 5 volunteer hours. BYHA agreed that the task would count for the 5 hours.

A B-Mite coach asked if there was anyway BYHA could put into policy some way for a mite to move levels after the initiation if it was felt by the coaches that the child should have been placed at either a higher or a lower level. He gave the example of an interim period for the mites. It was confirmed that the rosters weren't finalized until 12/31 of the season. The board agreed to look into it but indicated that it was too late to implement new policy this season.

Tom Bloyer and Kraig Stumo both think an expo at the jamboree would be a great way for parents to see what is available to skaters for the summer.

Registrar - Amy Pigeon indicated that there were about 10 – 12 coaches that needed to re-certify by 12/31/2008 in CEP in order to remain on the BYHA benches. If those coaches don't get certified and they remain on the bench, that team could have to forfeit all their games after that deadline. Tim Timm with District 10 was very pleased with the way the BYHA registration went this year and how organized our registrars were.

Traveling Director – Mike Brodzinski reported that the BYHA teams are overall doing very well this year in their records. The A-PeeWee's have moved into the 5th ranking in the state.

In-House Director – Tom Bloyer reported that Kraig Stumo was doing a great job of lining up all the jamborees for the Mite teams.

Equipment – Gretchen Severin requested the rolling racks again for the equipment room. Once that is in and the jersey's can be organized BYHA will also organize the central cage into an office space for the Association records. Mark Mortenson agreed to head the committee for jerseys and association sweat suits. He will need 4-5 people on the committee with him. As far as jerseys, the U10 and the Squirts need jerseys the worst, next the PeeWees and then on up the line. The design will need to stay the same as we aren't able to buy all new jerseys with a new look. The committee will get the bids and then work on the warm up designs too.

Old Business

A. Registration Records: A discussion was held about whether BYHA should shred all the birth certificates and request new ones every year. It was agreed that for this next year we will keep the process the same. We will make sure to advertise that the team books need to be returned at the end of the season.

New Business

No new business presented.

Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Slawson) to close the session. Motion carried. The session was closed at 7:48 pm. Coaching issues, hardship and behavior issues were discussed.

Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Severin) to open the session. Motion carried. Kraig Stumo came in and presented that he had set up the A-Mites to play between periods at the High School Games on 1/15/2009 and 2/7/2009. He needed to get the checks from Chuck to pay for the registrations at the jamborees for the mite teams.

Motion made (Severin), seconded (Gilbert) to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:18 pm.