

Blaine Youth Hockey Association
Board Meeting Minutes
March 22, 2010, 7:00 pm, Fogerty Arena

Attendees: Todd Erne, Chuck Taylor, Shannon Gilbert, Gretchen Severin, Greg Broos, Scott Ullan, Brad Slawson and Kraig Stumo.

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

Motion made (Severin), seconded (Ullan) to approve the March 22, 2010 agenda. Motion carried.

Charitable Gambling: Suzanne Slawson reported that they contributed \$28,000 to BYHA. They were able to donate this as the taxes were lower that month due to a credit they can take on all the unused tickets. Bamboo Betty's has been approved by the city and we will be able to begin selling there as soon as the state gives the okay.

Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Taylor) to allow Suzanne Slawson to sign her own checks. Motion carried. Motion made (Severin), seconded (Gilbert) to approve the February 2010 Charitable Gambling Report. Motion carried. Motion made (Severin), seconded (Gilbert) to approve the April 2010 Charitable Gambling Expenses. Motion carried.

Motion made (Severin), seconded (Broos) to approve the February 15, 2010 minutes. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report: Shannon Gilbert reported that all was ready for the SKATE Program the following evening. She invited the membership to attend the program even if they didn't have a child that qualified. Shannon requested follow up on the registration with the Secretary of State of Minnesota so we make sure the bank has that information. Shannon ran through the remaining volunteer activities and confirmed the end date for completing your activities is the Annual Meeting. The annual meeting was discussed and agenda items were reviewed. It was determined that an Ops meeting should be scheduled to go over the final details for that meeting.

Treasurer's Report – Chuck Taylor handed out the list of the last group of outstanding ice bills to be sent to collections. BYHA currently has \$33,000 in collections and about \$127,000 in outstanding ice bills. The Mite bills went out about 2 weeks ago and make up about \$20,000 of that receivable amount. Chuck confirmed for Todd Erne that he could run a program to estimate the year's ice bills and require the members to pay up front. There was discussion surrounding ways to correct the outstanding ice bill problem. Chuck estimated about \$20,000 of the outstanding amount will be uncollectable. There may also be other changes to the registration fees. Options will be discussed at the Annual Meeting along with the Profit and Loss report.

Vice President's Report – Brad Slawson questioned Jim Corbett's camp being listed on the website. It was pointed out that we have put non-BYHA sponsored camps on our website before like STP. It was noted that players participating in the BYHA Academy will have to register with USA Hockey first. The problem of insurance arises with the first time players in BYHA as they are not covered by the Insurance provided by USA Hockey. The ice scheduling was discussed and some of the downfalls of our website set up in the beginning of the season were discussed, the problems with the District 10 program, etc. The ice scheduling was also put on the agenda for the Ops meeting. Gretchen Severin continues to work on billing issues with the Coon Rapids Mixed team.

President's Report – Todd Erne had no report as there was not a District 10 meeting.

Open Forum – Tom Dreshar noted the Golf Tournament is scheduled for 06/13/2010. There will be a 2:30 pm shotgun start. It will be held at the same location and cost the same fee. Tom asked for some seed money for the golf tournament – about \$500.00. They will collect their own volunteers. They are having a meeting on 03/29/2010.

Bill Marshall asked about the \$350 for the Jr. Gold Registration. It was confirmed for him that he was credited \$100 back on his billing.

Troy Wolens noted that the Jr. Gold A team finished 9th overall. They had 3 tournaments and were involved in all 3 championship games. He again suggested opening the program up to other players. They were asked to provide the volunteers for the District girls Advanced 15 Tournament again. They will get to keep the locker room they

are in and will get to paint it this year. 3 of their players were picked for the Metro Allstar game Wednesday at 7:00 in Tartan. They would like a liaison to the board for this level. They also want BYHA to sponsor the Junior Gold B tournament again next year.

Fundraising Coordinator – Julie Milligan asked if we wanted Jeff, the Frozen Food Rep, presenting at the Annual Meeting. The board agreed he should come and present the mandatory fundraising proposal.

Registrar – Amy Pigeon reported that she has collected about half the roster books so far. She requested that it be put on the website that skaters need to be registered with USA hockey by 07/31/2010.

Boys' Traveling Director – Mike Brodzinski was not present but Brad Slawson congratulated the B1 Bantam's taking 2nd in State and the A Bantams going to Regions.

Girls' Traveling Director – Gretchen Severin reported the girls teams had great seasons this year. The U14A girls took 2nd in state against a tough Edina team. Congratulations were given. U12A missed Regions with a loss to Anoka. U10A took first in Districts, U10 B White took 2nd in Districts, and the U10B Blue had a semifinal loss. She is putting a recruiting event together for 04/18/2010. A bring a friend event. Steve Guider will be there from the High School team. She notes there are a good number of girls in the mite programs.

BYHA pays for the ice between the Regional and State Tournaments for the BYHA teams attending those events. **Motion made (Severin), seconded (Slawson) to cover the ice times for the BYHA teams that advanced to those tournaments for the time frame between the regional and the state tournament. Motion carried.**

In-house Director – Kraig Stumo reported that all the MITE teams were competitive this year. They appeared to be playing at the same level as the kids from other associations. He will set up an equipment date with Greg Broos to return equipment. He is also scheduling a year end meeting with the Mite coaches. He sent out an email to each team regarding the return of the roster books. He also requested the Mite families complete the coaches' evaluations.

Ace Coordinator – Scott Ullan reported the Academy schedule is posted. They have 150 skaters registered with the program. There are 23-26 hours scheduled for the spring session. He is meeting with the coaches that volunteered to go over the ice assignments. Scott reported the Dryland facility has 572 hours to schedule and of that time, 50 hours was used by BYHA and 62 hours was used by SLP. He is looking into more ways we can use more of that room. He also noted the Bauer recall on sticks for lead in the paint. This was posted on the website too.

Equipment Director – Greg Broos reported that BYHA members have been buying jerseys currently about 3 kids per team have bought their jerseys. He has those checks. He will have the information on the new jerseys at the May meeting.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Motion made (Slawson), seconded (Ullan) to close the session. Motion carried and the session was closed at 8:14 pm.

Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Stumo) to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:49 pm.