

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

Attendees: Todd Erne, Brad Slawson, Shannon Gilbert, Chuck Taylor, Mike Brodzinski, Kraig Stumo, and Scott Ullan.

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

Motion made (Ullan), seconded (Gilbert) to approve the October 19, 2009 agenda. Motion carried.

Charitable Gambling: Suzanne Slawson reported that 165 tickets were stolen from BeBops on 10/13/2009. The police were called and a note went out to the other sites in the area to watch for these tickets. The serial numbers were distributed for that game for identification purposes. The charitable gambling organization donated \$18,000 to BYHA this month. Route 65 quit bingo. Broadway started a second night per week in Bingo. We are just out of the negative at Route 65. They want to put a wheel at Route 65. This will cost more than \$5000 as we have to have surveillance on the wheel. **Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Ullan) to approve the September 2009 Charitable Gambling Report. Motion carried. Motion made (Slawson), seconded (Gilbert) to approve the November 2009 Charitable Gambling Expenses. Motion carried.**

Steve Kolb presented the information on the General Fund audit. The audit went well. We wrote off all the equipment this last year. He reviewed the cash flow in the audit. We had a net loss of \$40,244.00. Chuck Taylor is working on rewriting our bond and decreasing the interest by 2%.

Motion made (Ullan), seconded (Taylor) to approve the September 14 & 21, 2009 minutes. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report: Shannon Gilbert reported that the Manager's meeting had been held on 10/13/2009. All the information was given out in binders. There were several motions to note that were voted on via email: 1) **Motion made (Severin), to petition Peyton Parent to play up on the U10 team. The motion failed as there was no second.** 2) **Motion made (Taylor), seconded (Gilbert) to approve the Policy and Procedure Handbook for 2009/2010 Season. Motion carried.** 3) **Motion made (Stumo), seconded (Broos) to waive in a Centennial player at the A Mite level as she had missed the Centennial registration. Motion carried.**

Treasurer's Report – Chuck Taylor reported that we only have about \$10,000 in outstanding collectables. We have paid all the bills and have no outstanding bills. We also have some cash in the bank. We have opened a separate bank account for the Junior Gold. BYHA has paid \$52,000 in tournament fees this year.

Vice President's Report – Brad Slawson reported that the tryout process was reviewed at the last OPS meeting on 10/18/2009.

President's Report – Todd Erne introduced District 10 to discuss the Jr. Coop. with other District 10 associations. District 10 is backing a Coop. with Spring LakePark, St. Francis. Anoka coops and has had success with it. District 10 would support BYHA as a host association. Dave Aus spoke to the importance of the U16 and Jr. Gold teams. He will be handing out the Jr. Gold information at his tryouts for the high school team. The Jr. Gold A coach, Troy Wolens, wants to coop but wants to make sure he has the board approval before he moves forward with contacting other associations.

Ice Scheduler – Darrin Johnson indicated that all the games were scheduled and the coaches and managers will be getting the schedules at their coaches meetings. The mites games will be scheduled in Rogers on 10/28/2009. Kraig Stumo will attend the scheduling and will bring a couple of the Mite coaches with him. He will be scheduling for 6 – A mite teams, 4 – B mite teams, 2 – C mite teams, 1 U8 team, and 1 D mite team. The ice will be scheduled for the mites to share. Most of the games have been scheduled as away games for the traveling teams so we aren't using as much home ice for the games as we have before. District 10 gives the ice schedulers a list of games and where those games have to be played. BYHA has a lot of ice to get rid of this year. The Jr. Gold/Bantam tournament has been filled.

Dave Aus thanked Darrin Johnson for his help with the ice. He has some dates to announce: 12/21/2009 is Youth Night against Minnetonka. FSN will be there too to film the game. 1/5/2010 is the FSN game from Duluth East.

Dave Aus also presented a request for money from BYHA to help cover the expenses throughout their year. There are always increased costs when the team makes the State Tournament. Jeannie passed out a budget and the monetary request. They offered to have the HS Boys Hockey team help with skating at all the levels. They have a mentorship program in mind for Squirts, PeeWees, and Bantams. There is also an A mite program and open skate they will help with.

Open Forum – Sue Osbeck called for a review of the complete tryout process. Ken Zepeda has a daughter on the U10 team and wants his daughter to switch teams with another girl on the other team. This will be discussed at closed session.

There was a question regarding how the Bantam level got to the level of teams they have: A, B1, 2 B2's. There was a request for an explanation of why some of the kids wanted out.

Registrar – Amy Pigeon reported that she received some information on development from USA Hockey. She passed that on to Scott Ullan. The PeeWee A team will have their rosters signed off early for their early season tournament. The USA registrar refuses to sign off early unless a team has an early tournament.

Girls Traveling Director – Gretchen Severin had no report.

Boys Traveling Director – Mike Brodzinski reported that all the teams were up and running. Most of the coaches have registered with USA Hockey but there are still some that have not. All coaches need to register with USA Hockey. Amy is still working on catching all of the coaches and assistants who aren't registered with USA Hockey.

In-house Director – Kraig Stumo reported there were 175 kids at the initiation skate. He expects between 10- and 12 more to register after the initiation skates. The girls' numbers are huge this year at the Mite level. There will be a coaches meeting following the initiation skate to pull together the teams.

ACE/Development Director – Scott Ullan reports that GDI has contracted with us for 10 - 2 hour sessions. The motion was made via email: **Motion made (Ullan), seconded (Severin) to appoint Andy Berthume as the new goalie coordinator. Motion carried.** Scott announced this appointment. Andy is tracking the attendance and he is also going to practices to watch the coaches. All the goalies are welcome at the GDI sessions. FHIT has offered a special price for each team if they want to sign up themselves. Scott is also looking into a checking clinic, maybe Scott Bjugstad, and what such a clinic would cost.

Old Business

No old business presented.

New Business

No new business presented.

Motion made (Slawson), seconded (Brodzinski) to close the session at 8:37 pm. Motion carried.

Motion made (Slawson), seconded (Gilbert) to deny the switching of U10 teams by 2 players. Motion carried.

Motion made (Slawson), seconded (Ullan) to donate \$5000 to the Boys High School Hockey team with an extra \$2500 if the team makes the state tournament minus any money any HS players owed BYHA and that the team has to use the Charitable Gambling establishments for the carb. Load nights. Motion carried.

Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Ullan) to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:51 pm.