

BYHA Monthly Board Meeting

March 21, 2011 at 7:00 pm

Fogerty Arena, Blaine, MN

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm by Brad Slawson.

Motion made (Broos), seconded (Ullan) to approve the March 21, 2011 meeting agenda. Motion carried.

Charitable Gambling Report: Suzanne Slawson reported that Wild Bills was now opened. The charitable gambling organization had gotten their money back from the state this month so next month's contribution to BYHA will be higher. The CG got a thank you card from the East Bethel Seniors for the money they donated to the Senior Center there. The CG audit is coming up on 03/31/2011. The board members will be divided up and will each do 2 bars. The pull tabs will be closing their inventories so the board members will just have to count the games. Wild Bills will be done Friday morning but the other bars will be done Thursday night. Suzanne is working to sign up Fatboys and Hunters Inn too. This would be a total of 9 bars for BYHA. **Motion made (Slawson), seconded (Gilbert) to approve the February Charitable Gambling Report. The motion carried. Motion made (Slawson), seconded (Gilbert) to approve the April Charitable Gambling Expense Report. Motion carried.**

Secretary's Report: Shannon Gilbert reported on the plans for the SKATE Program to be held on 03/29/2011.

Treasurer's Report: Chuck Taylor reviewed the balance sheet. He is working on the SKATE program to make sure the packet cards are purchased. He gave an overview of last years accounting expenses and income. BYHA had \$355,000 in billed ice this last year.

Vice President's Report: Brad Slawson reported there was an Ops meeting held and there was discussion held about the burned ice. This will be addressed by the board in closed session. BYHA burns on average about 100 hours of ice. Teams that moved on ere discussed. Bantam A team took 6th place in State, PeeWee A team took 5th place in state. The PW A coach, Brian Nstrom bought jerseys for the team and bleached his hair. The following teams made the Regional Tournaments: U12A, U14A, Bantam A, PW A, PWB1 Blue. The Jr. Gold A team made the playoffs this year also.

Todd Erne asked if there had been a change in the allocation of ice this year. Gretchen indicated there had not been any changes in the allocation but this year BYHA was not able to give back the ice like they have been able to in the past. We also did not trade the Centennial ice hours with them for the SR 8 times but kept the ice times at the Centennial Arena.

A lot of different ideas were given regarding how to better use the ice. Most teams used less ice this year than in prior years by about 10 hours less.

President's Report: Gretchen Severin thanked the volunteers that helped with the District and Regional Tournaments that Fogerty hosted and we staffed. The D10 Annual meeting is scheduled for 04/04/2011. The presidents' meeting will be held the first week of April too. They will review D10 policies and any changes or suggestions for next season. She is already prepared to discuss the use of 3 officials for the Bantam level. If any of the membership have issues they want brought up, please email

Gretchen with your ideas and suggestions. She will bring those to the Presidents' meeting. The Blaine HS Boosters have requested \$5000 be donated to their organization.

Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Slawson) to donate \$5000 to the HS Boosters for the 2010/2011 Season minus any amounts that may still be owed to BYHA by any current HS players. Motion carried.

Open Forum: The Golf Tournament Committee reported they moved the venue to Majestic for this year. They have 2 requests: 1) that BYHA donate 2 free registrations for the 2011/2012 season; and 2) those who sign up early have their volunteer hours waived. **Motion made (Slawson), seconded (Taylor) to donate 2 free registrations to this year's golf tournament. Motion carried. Motion made (Slawson), seconded (Broos) to waive volunteer hours for those who sign up for early registration for the golf tournament. Motion carried.**

Coordinators:

Ice Scheduler: Brad Slawson reviewed the issues we have struggled with this season and the options we discussed to solve some of the issues. Gretchen Severin reviewed the process and timelines the schedules can be released. The ice contracts only run through the end of February so additional ice has to be found for any teams making post District playoffs.

Several Mite coaches voiced their complaints about the scheduling. They would like to get schedules earlier and for a longer time frame. They want an open forum with coaches to address ideas and options.

The BYHA policy for parents who misbehave at BYHA events was discussed.

Questions were asked regarding the academy scheduling. People were angry about the short notice for the start of the academy.

Tom Dreshar brought up having a paid person in a position to manage operations. They could handle collections, tournaments, and scheduling.

Girls' Traveling Director: Tom Johann thanked this year's coaches for their time. He also thanked the U12A coach for remaining calm in the face of an angry parent. He spoke to the U12 parental issues. He also spoke about the Blaine PD program where the police will come and volunteer to help with tournaments and help with the kids.

Boys' Traveling Director: Mike noted the teams that continued on to the Regional tournaments and State tournaments. He also noted the HS went to the State tournament again. He also spoke about possibly moving our tryout dates back one week or so to be more in line with the other associations in our district. It would also help some of the conflict during the football season. **Motion made (Slawson), seconded (Gilbert) to pay for the PW A and Bantam A ice between the Regional Tournament and the State Tournament.**

Inhouse Director: Kraig Stumo reported that all the Mite Jamborees are done. He is planning a coaches meeting to get feedback on this year's season. He also attended the Centennial Board Meeting. There was discussion of putting a combined Centennial/Blaine logo at center ice at the Centennial Arena. Blaine is also going to see about getting a banner hung in that arena.

Ace Development Coordinator: Scott Ullan reported that 40 kids have registered at the academy so far. Last year there were about 140 kids total in the academy. He is looking into setting up the program for the Bantams/Pewees program with Chris Carrol and Ryan running an on and off ice program.

USA Hockey has a vote coming up regarding the checking in the PW level. At this time the vote looks to pass. CEP training will change this upcoming year. Every level will be coached by a level 1. They are reviewing the tag up off sides rule too.

Equipment Director: Greg Broos reported he has received all the traveling jerseys back from all the teams. He will send out a blast email to mites regarding their jersey return dates. The Jr. Gold teams still have practice jerseys out. The jerseys all came back in good condition. He is still looking at continuing to update the Mite goalie sets.

Chuck Taylor brought up the Annual Meeting that is scheduled for 04/18/2011. There are 4 board members up for re-election.

Motion made (Broos), seconded (Ullan) to close this session. Motion carried. Session closed at 8:45 pm.

The Ice scheduling was discussed. **Motion made (Slawson), seconded (Brodzinski) to offer Bill Marshall the ice scheduling job for \$4000 and a \$1000 bonus if the burned ice is under 100 hours and offer Darin Johnson the assistant ice scheduler position for one free skater and if the burned ice is under 100 hours, a \$1000 bonus. Motion carried.**

Kraig Stumo has agreed to attend the Centennial Arena board meetings. They will also schedule a meeting with coaches and the ice schedulers before the annual meeting.

Discussed Suzanne's performance with the charitable gambling organization and an increase in pay. **Motion made (Broos), seconded (Taylor) to give Suzanne Slawson a raise this year to \$25,000 annually. Motion carried. Brad Slawson wanted it noted he abstained from this vote.**

Parental conduct issues were discussed for the U12 and Mite parent issues. Tom Johann will draft a letter to send to the parents.

Motion made (Slawson), seconded (Gilbert) to pay Chris Carrolls and Ryan \$25.00 per hour for the PW/Bantam academy. Motion carried.

Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Broos) to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.