

BYHA Monthly Board Meeting

September 13, 2010 at 7:00 pm

Fogerty Arena, Blaine, MN

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm. Board members present were Gretchen Severin, Brad Kraig Stumo.

The September agenda was reviewed. **A motion was made (Ullan), and seconded (Slawson) to approve the monthly agenda. Motion carried.**

Charitable Gambling Report: Suzanne Slawson presented the CG report and expense projection. CG donated \$45,000 to BYHA last month. Majors was bought out and Wild Bill's Sports Saloon is moving in there. They would like to talk to us about coming back in with CG. They are moving in in 12/10 or 01/11. **Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Brodzinski) to approve the August Charitable Gambling Report. The motion carried. Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Ullan) to approve the October Charitable Gambling Expense Report. Motion carried.**

Secretary's Report: Shannon Gilbert presented the July 19, 2010 meeting minutes and the August 16, 2010 meeting minutes. **Motion made (Broos), seconded (Slawson) to approve the July 19, 2010 minutes. Motion carried. Motion made (Ullan), seconded (Broos) to approve the August 16, 2010 minutes. Motion carried.** Shannon reviewed the suggested policy changes for the 2010 – 2011 Policy and Procedure Manual. Key changes were made to the Waive up section, Residency section, Registration section, Goalie credit section, and the billing section. The dates were also changed to reflect the updated ages of the skaters for each level. **Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Ullan) to approve the proposed policy changes. Motion carried.** The SKATE budget was presented for the 2011 SKATE program. **Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Ullan) to approve the SKATE budget for a total of \$5020.75 for the 2011 SKATE program. Motion carried.** The Volunteer policy was reviewed and the posting of volunteer opportunities was also reviewed. Most opportunities will be posted on the website and blast e-mailed to the membership. Volunteers will be placed on a first come first serve basis for the opportunities available. The Traveling Team Managers Meeting was scheduled for 7:00 on Tuesday, 10/12/2010 at Fogerty Arena.

Treasurer's Report: Chuck Taylor reviewed the balance sheet. We currently have \$25,000 in outstanding ice bills from last season. We have paid for 50% of the new jerseys to date. Chuck presented the suggested credits for coordinators and coaches pay. **Motion made (Slawson), seconded (Gilbert) to approve the suggested credits for the 2011 season. Motion carried.**

Vice President's Report: Brad Slawson reviewed the issues in front of the board with tryouts, setting up locker room attendants. He reviewed tryout waive up procedures and the reason for the new policy. He explained the Minnesota Hockey rule of 2/3 age appropriate per team.

President's report: Gretchen Severin reviewed the new USA Hockey locker room supervision policy for any Association events. We will have to provide adults for this supervision and they will have to have background checks done and be rostered. 2 adults will have to be present also for any disciplinary action being taken against a player as well. There is now a zero tolerance for cell phones or any other picture taking equipment in the locker rooms. Team declarations at District 10 were held this night also and we are working on registration, team numbers, and skaters for each level to be able to declare most appropriate levels.

Open Forum: Gretchen Severin read the waive up petitions we have received up to this meeting. Mite to Squirt petitions = 11, Squirt to PW = 4, PW to Bantams = 2 (goalies), U8 to U10 = 4, U10 to U12 = 1. She also reviewed the skater numbers for each level: Squirts = 66 skaters of which 8 are goalies; PW = 73 skaters of which 7 are goalies; Bantams = 66 skaters of which 4 are goalies; U14 = 10 skaters of which 1 is a goalie (4 coming from Princeton); U12=25 of which 2 are goalies; U10=20 skaters of which 1 is a goalie. These numbers are age eligible only.

Don Meager with the Boys HS Blueliners reviewed their mentorship program and requested feedback on the programs that were in place from last year – mentorship, Bengal buddies, etc. Cindy Fussy is the coordinator for the mentorship program. She will work with Scott Ullan to coordinate 2 practices and 2 games to be spread over the season. Kraig Stumo wants the A mites to skate between periods again like last year. Positive feedback on the programs run last year was given by the board and membership alike.

Brent Russell asked about ice time, team practice times, and the number of kids at each level.

Troy Wolens discussed where his daughter would be playing this upcoming season Bantams vs. U14. The board moved the decision to the Closed Session. The decision will be made at this meeting.

Brent Russell asked how many B1 teams BYHA would be having at the PW level. Gretchen Severin indicated we were waiting to see where the talent pools were at that level.

Coordinators:

Ice Scheduler: Darin Johnson needs the number of teams at each level and an updated list of the scheduled tournaments for scheduling the practices and games for the upcoming season.

Fundraising Coordinator: Julie Milligan was not present but it was noted that the late frozen food pick up is scheduled for 10/30/2010 at Fogerty Arena.

Tournament Coordinator: Kristi Huttunen noted that the Jr. Gold A & B team's and the Girls team's tournaments are scheduled. The Bantams, PWs, and Squirts are mostly done. They would like to know the coaches so they can contact them about the scheduled tournaments.

Registrar: Amy Pigeon was not present. Gretchen Severin reviewed who was improperly registered and how and what they needed to do to properly register. She also noted that Amy needs an assistant and if anyone was interested in that position to let Amy know.

Girls' Traveling Director: Tom Johann had no report.

Boys' Traveling Director: Mike Brodzinski reviewed the tryout policy and noted the schedules were set. No additional news regarding tryouts at this point. Scott Ullan will schedule EMT's for the tryouts. We will not schedule any ice times over MEA weekend.

Inhouse Director: Kraig Stumo reported he interviewed 3 photography companies regarding our pictures. We will be going with the same group we have been going with for the last several years. They will have a table set up at picture night to show what products they have available to our members. Initiation skates are set for 10/9-10/2010 and 10/16-17/2010. He attended the Mite Meeting and the blue puck will still be used at that level. The levels are changing this year, however, the A Mites will now become the D Mites and the D Mites from last year will now be the A Mites. The total number of games any of the mites can play this year is 15 but this number, unlike last year, does not count the Jamboree games or the cross ice games. Flyers are going into the schools this week promoting BYHA.

ACE Coordinator/Development Director: Scott Ullan reported CEP training registration was messed up by USA Hockey in that they only allowed 50 registrations and there is actually room for 100. Coaches can arrive an hour early and still register onsite for this training. The Blaine Hockey Academy has 140 registered skaters this off season. They did not get jerseys this year but will have jerseys for next year's academy.

Equipment Director: Greg Broos reported the new game jerseys have been ordered. BYHA will be going with solid colored socks this year, navy blue or white. **Motion made (Slawson), seconded (Taylor) to purchase 700 sets of socks at \$7.00 per set for \$4900. Motion carried.** Greg is getting bids on goalie equipment for the mite level. We will be purchasing 10 sets. The bids are being gotten from the 3 sponsors. Greg will need volunteers once the new jerseys come in to help in the equipment room.

District 10: Tom Dreshar attended for Gretchen this evening.

Old Business: There was no Old Business noted.

New Business: There was no New Business brought to the board.

Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Ullan) to close the session. Motion carried. The session was closed at 8:54 pm.

Motion made (Ullan), seconded (Broos) to appoint Rick Swanstrom as the U14 A Head Coach. Motion carried.

Motion made (Brodzinski), seconded (Gilbert) that under the new policy, all petitions to waive up are granted. Motion carried.

Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Ullan) to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:42 pm.