

BYHA Annual Membership Board Meeting

April 21, 2014 at 7:00 pm

Schwan's Center, Blaine, MN

Attendance: Gretchen Severin, Greg Broos, Jamie Chester, Brad Meehan, Shannon Gilbert, Brad Slawson, Chuck Taylor, and Brian Bunes.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Gretchen Severin.

Motion made (Gilbert) and seconded (Slawson) to approve the 04/21/2014 Annual Meeting Agenda. Motion carried.

Charitable Gambling Coordinator: Suzanne Slawson reported the BYHA Charitable Gambling was first in the state in profit with \$650,000 year to date. This is the largest amount ever donated to BYHA from the charitable gambling organization. We had 2 audits this year and passed both the Federal and the State with flying colors. Gretchen Severin reviewed the Charitable Gambling rules regarding use of the donated money. It paid all the tournaments this year, in season development, academy, and goalie development and equipment. We also support several other organizations and city activities as well. An overview of the changes we are proposing to the city was gone over. **Motion made (Gilbert) and seconded (Taylor) to approve the March 2014 Charitable Gambling Report. Motion carried. Motion made (Gilbert) and seconded (Taylor) to approve the Charitable Gambling expense report for May. Motion carried.**

Board Director Reports:

Equipment Director: Greg Broos reported that he has been a director now for 5 years in the equipment director role. He tracks and manages all the equipment for the teams. He has pushed for new socks this year and there has been a positive flow of feedback regarding the new style sock. He is also continuing to update the goalie equipment BYHA lets younger members use during the season.

ACE and Development Director: Brad Meehan reported that he is responsible for the CEP program for all the coaches in our program. He has worked with Acceleration North in getting the in season development programs up and running for all levels. He has been working also with MEGA Goaltending for our program's goalie development events. There has been a lot of positive feedback regarding the training and skill development that BYHA has been moving forward with over the last year. He has sent out health articles to the players and families of our association. He has also been involved in the academy planning. He requests everyone be involved in completing the survey regarding this past year.

In-House Director: Brian Bunes reported he works with Brad Meehan on the Cub Program and has been working to increase the numbers in our program. He wants to thank all the mite coaches and parents as well as the Bantam Mentor's to the Mite teams. The past year has been very successful. The numbers

are up this year. The Mite program is still following the ADM model. They were allowed tournaments this year and we have purchased new cross ice boards. His focus will remain on increasing our numbers and retention especially in the girls program. He did have goalie training in the Mites this year also.

Boys Traveling Director: Jamie Chester reported on all the success BYHA boys teams have had over the last season. All the boys traveling teams went on to District play this last year. 5 teams were eligible for regions and all attended. The PW B1 and Bantam B1 teams went on to the State Tournament. Next year's team projections are similar to this past year's numbers. There maybe one additional team at the Bantam or PW level. The Blue Line Buddies went well this year. We have started the Summer Skills Camps already for the PW and Bantam levels. There are good numbers in that program. The program is run by Acceleration North.

Girls Traveling Director: Kraig Stumo reported he has been the Girls Traveling Director for 2 years. He wants to thank the coaches from this past year. He also wants to extend a thank you to Connie Sullivan and Jennifer Argeros for their work on the tournament coordinations this past year. He reviewed the success the girls program had this past year: The U19 team lost the consolation championship game at the State Tournament; U14A team took 3rd place in State; U14B team lost the consolation championship game at the State Tournament; U12 A went to the Regional Tournament; U12B team lost the consolation semi finals at State; U10A were the consolation champions at Districts and U10B team played in the District Tournament. Kraig reviewed the projected numbers for next year and he is looking to find some additional skaters. He has spoken to both Spring Lake Park and St. Francis. Rick Swanstrom has been appointed as the U14 A head coach already. Randy Hanson has been appointed as the Girl's Goalie Coordinator. Brandon Koontz is the Boy's Goalie Coordinator.

Secretary: Shannon Gilbert gave a brief overview of her 8 year history on the board and the duties that are under the responsibility of the Secretary. She reviewed the SKATE Program, the volunteer oversight, minutes and history of the board and the keeping of all the records. She also reviewed the managers meetings, tryout duties, registration duties, and several miscellaneous things that go on throughout the season.

Treasurer: Chuck Taylor reported it has been a good season financially for BYHA. He reviewed that there has been a flat fee instated for the In house players and about a third of the cost of their program was subsidized. BYHA covered the tournament costs for the teams last year. We are the only association that does that. We spent \$55,000 in training for our skaters, \$85,000 in tournament fees. Our current accounts last year were \$465,416 and this year \$401,199. We have no outstanding debt and all our bills are paid to current. Last year our accounts outstanding in receivables were \$145,000 and this year outstanding is \$133,000. Each year the balance sheet is on the website. Profit and Loss is also online at year end (unaudited). Chuck also reported on his involvement in the Jr. Gold program. We had a Jr. Gold A, B, and U16 team this last season and all went to the playoffs. The U16's went on to place 3rd in the State Tournament. The Jr. Gold program has had a presence in the State Tournament for the last 3 years and has been in the top ranked teams in the state. Chuck Taylor was presented with the "Make It Happen" award this year with regard to his work in the Jr. Gold Program.

Vice President: Brad Slawson reported he has been on the board for 12 years now and 2 of those years have been as a non – parent. Hockey preparation for next season is already underway. He thanked the parents for being involved in our program. His role as Vice President is in the Hockey Operations including tryouts, ice times, tournaments, etc. We are the feeder program for the HS Programs.

President: Gretchen Severin reported she has been the president for the last 4 years. She gave an overview of her role, liaison to D10 and the changes at the D10 level. Tim Timm stepped down and Colleen Donovan is now the D10 Administrator/Director. There are also new D10 board members this year. With all the changes, Gretchen is now one of the more senior members of D10 board. She hosted the D10 presidents meetings this past off season. The A vs AA issues have continued to be discussed. She also attends misconduct hearings with D10. For the 2013-2014 season BYHA had 0 hearings. We had a great season this year and she enjoyed watching all the teams. She appreciated all the compliments she received from other associations regarding our program.

Gretchen reviewed the Election of Board Members process. There are 4 spots up for election this year: Gretchen Severin, Brad Slawson, Brad Meehan, and Chuck Taylor. Out of compliance for the ongoing yearly elections, 3 will be for the 3 year terms and the 4th elected by votes will serve 1 year and will be up for election again next year. She reviewed the time commitment needed to be a good productive board member. Ben Vold requested having the elections for specific positions instead of having the board place the positions as it does now.

Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Slawson) to open the nominations. Motion carried.

Brad Slawson
Gretchen Severin
Chuck Taylow
Brad Meehan
Tom Crowley
Mark Nowicki

Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Broos) to close nominations. Motion carried.

Speeches from the candidates were heard in reverse order.

Open Forum:

Jr. Gold Golf Tournament was discussed. \$90 registration fee until May 16th and after that \$100 until deadline of June 1st.

Blueliners Golf Tournament was discussed and is being held on August 1st.

Jaela O'Brien and Wyatt Klute benefits were discussed and information given out.

The Girls numbers were reviewed again and coop'ing with other associations was discussed.

There was discussion surrounding the tryout process and changes that may be made to that procedure.

The new board members were announced as Gretchen Severin, Chuck Taylor, Brad Meehan, and Tom Crowley.

Motion made (Gilbert), seconded (Taylor) to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:42 pm.