

**BYHA Monthly Board Meeting**

**March 21, 2016 7:00 pm**

**Fogerty Arena, Blaine, MN**

Attendance: Fred Hendrickson, Jamie Chester, Kraig Stumo, Chuck Taylor, Erick Sutherland, Gretchen Severin, Brian Hauck, Brad Meehan

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by Brian Bunes

**Motion made (Hendrickson) second (Stumo) to approve the 03/21/2016 Agenda. Motion carried.**

**Charitable Gambling Coordinator:** Suzanne reported that the contribution for the month was \$85,000. Suzanne also wanted to discuss where we were going to do the annual pull tab audits. We decided what board members were doing the audit and what sites they were covering. **Motion made (Stumo) second (Chester) to approve the February charitable gambling report. Motion carried. Motion made (Taylor) second (Hendrickson) to approve the proposed expense report for April. Motion carried.**

**Motion made (Meehan) second (Chester) to approve the February monthly board meeting minutes. Motion carried.**

**Secretary's Report:** Fre reported on a bunch of motions by email over the month.

**Motion made (Bunes) second (Sutherland) to continue the equipment voucher program for new players and for any new player signing up for academy. Motion carried.**

**Motion made (Chester) second (Hauck) to sponsor a team pizza party for the bantam AA's for making it to state. Motion carried.**

**Motion made (Chester) second (Bunes) to approve paying for the state banquet fees for the bantam AA's. \$10/player and \$15/coach. Motion carried.**

**Motion made (Sutherland) second (Hendrickson) to put an ad in the Blaine Youth Soccer Program. Motion carried.**

**Motion made (Stumo) second (Meehan) to pay for the fees of the U19 state banquet. Motion carried.**

**Motion made (Chester) second (Bunes) to pay for signage up to \$10,000 in Super Rink 7 and Fogerty. Motion carried.**

**Motion made (Hauck) second (Stumo) to make a donation to Fogerty Arena to replace the rubber matting. All American came in with a proposal of \$6,500/month to do the work. Motion carried.**

Fred also reported that the annual meeting is scheduled for April 18<sup>th</sup> at Gradient Financial Center.

**Treasurer's Report:** Chuck is preparing year ice bills and is working with Bill Marshall on this.

**Vice President's Report:** Brian reported on the operations meeting held earlier in the month. We discussed the teams who advanced to regions and state and also the upcoming summer programs. The coaches evaluations went out for the boys and in-house programs.

**President's Report:** There wasn't a D10 meeting this month so there is nothing to report.

**Open Forum:** The Girls High School Soccer coach came to make a donation request for soccer equipment including balls, bags and video equipment. The video equipment they want to purchase will cost \$4,000. Their request is for \$3,000. This will be considered in closed session.

Lisa Karnowski made a donation request to help pay for an interpreter for a deaf child who is playing baseball in the Coon Rapids/Andover Little League. The cost they are incurring is \$3,500 which they weren't expecting. In exchange for donations they will put up signage at their ball parks promoting Blaine Hockey. This will be considered in closed session.

There was another donation request for the 2016 all night party for the seniors. It will be held on June 7<sup>th</sup> right after graduation. They are hoping for a turnout of 250 to 300 students. This will be considered in closed session.

**Ice Scheduler:** Bill handed out the year-end recap of ice hours. He noted that the ice used per team is close to years past. We did burn 161 hours of ice this year. We sold a lot fewer hours this year compared to last year. Super Sunday was also early this year so that impacted ice usage. We also didn't have as many teams move on as in past years.

**SKATE Coordinator:** Jessica reported that the SKATE event is ready to go for Friday the 25<sup>th</sup>. We have 266 kids that qualified for the SKATE event which is up over last year.

**Registrar:** No report

**Volunteer Coordinator:** No report

**Fundraising:** No report

**Tournaments:** No report

**Girls' Traveling Director:** Kraig reported that he is working on numbers for next year. The U19 team won the State Consolation Championship. The U19 coaches are interested in coming back next year. Rick Swanstrom, the U15 coach is also interested in coming back for another year.

Gretchen talked about the merger with SLP. Their high school is currently in a 2 year co-op with Coon Rapids. We have 1 year left with our merger with SLP at the youth level. Coon Rapids is also co-oping with Champlin Park at the youth level. Our high school program has good numbers now but in the near future we will have difficulty putting together a high school and JV roster with just Blaine girls. Gretchen has reached out to the high school coach and athletic director to have a meeting and go over numbers in

the future and discuss the possibility of high schools merging for girls hockey in the future. We do want to look at a long term solution and stay with Spring Lake Park at the youth level. We have been trying to recruit more girls into the program but our numbers are still pretty weak at the mite levels. The bottom line is that we could field teams but we wouldn't have girls playing at the appropriate level which is not what we want from a development standpoint.

**Boys' Traveling Director:** Jamie reported that the bantam AA won the State Consolation Championship. He is working on summer programs such as Summer Skills, STP and the Bjugstad camp in August. Tryout ice is already set up for next year. He is also taking coach applications for next year.

The U16 Blue Junior Gold Team took second in the state tournament losing in overtime but they had a very successful season!

**In-house Director:** Brian was not present but Gretchen reported for him. Cubs and mites seasons are completed. Academy schedules are going out. Brian is expecting lower numbers this year since squirts and U10's will be in the Summer Skills program. We are only allowing Blaine skaters this year with the exception of Spring Lake Park girls since they are merged with us. The Academy numbers were too high last year so Brian took measures to reduce the numbers.

**ACE Coordinator/Development Director:** Brad reported that he has been talking with MEGA, FHIT and Acceleration North for next year's training programs. We are making a change this summer due to a lack of goalies in Academy. Right now there are 4 goalies registered. MEGA will not be doing the training this summer but Bart Palmgren has agreed to take the program over for the summer.

**Equipment Director:** Eric reported that equipment is being turned in. He is assigning gear out for the summer. He is also working on jersey orders mostly on the boys side since we haven't made a decision on the girls jerseys yet.

**Old Business:**

No old business noted.

**New Business:**

No new business.

**Motion made (Meehan) second (Sutherland) to close the session. Motion carried.** Session closed at 7:50pm

**Closed Session:**

**Motion made (Stumo) second (Hauck) to donate \$1,000 to the Blaine High School all night party. Motion carried.**

**Motion made (Stumo) second (Sutherland) to appoint John Bauer to the Fogerty Arena Board. Motion carried.**

**Motion made (Sutherland) second (Meehan) to donate \$3,000 to the Blaine High School Soccer Program contingent on us getting advertising. This will be split between the boys and girls programs. Motion carried.**

**The request for the donation to pay for an interpreter for Coon Rapids/Andover Baseball Association was tabled.**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm.**