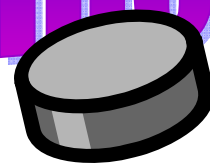




# Bison Blueline

December 2008



## Volunteer Opportunity!!

The Gambling Committee needs volunteers. They meet one time per month, some financial background is a plus. Please contact Thona Olson if you are interested at Thonamn7@aol.com.

Our association is only as strong as our volunteers!!

## Special Thank You!!

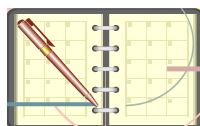
To those members who participated in the fertilizer fundraiser! CentraSota presented a \$1,725 check to BYHA in December!

**THANK YOU!!**

## Finance Advisory Committee

A committee will be formed to look at overall finances, fee structure, creating revenue and checks and balances. This will be an advisory committee only and cannot create policy.

Please contact Cheryl Zitur at 763-416-7139 if you are interested.



## BYHA's 2008 Schedule of Events!!

Hockey Operations Meeting Monday, Jan 12 at 7:00 pm

BYHA Nov Board Meeting Wednesday, Jan 14 at 7:00 pm

## Buffalo Junior Gold Home Hockey Schedule

### Date/Time

Sunday, 12/14/08, 8:15pm, New Arena  
 Monday, 12/29/08, 8:45pm, New Arena  
 Tuesday, 12/30/08, 9:00pm, New Arena  
 Saturday, 1/3/09, 7:00pm, Peterson  
 Sunday, 1/4/09, 7:45pm, New Arena  
 Sunday, 1/11/09, 5:30pm, New Arena  
 Friday, 1/16/09, 8:00pm, New Arena  
 Saturday, 1/17/09, 5:45pm, New Arena  
 Sunday, 1/18/09, 5:45pm, New Arena  
 Friday, 1/23/09, 9:15pm, New Arena  
 Friday, 2/6/09, 8:30pm, New Arena  
 Sunday, 2/8/09, 8:00pm, New Arena  
 Sunday, 2/15/09, 7:45pm, New Arena  
 Sunday, 2/22/09, 7:00pm, New Arena

### Opponent

Elk River  
 Minnetonka  
 Osseo/Maple Grove #1  
 Edina #2  
 Prior Lake  
 River Valley, WI  
 Burnsville  
 Eden Prairie  
 Wayzata #2  
 Osseo/Maple Grove #2  
 Wayzata #1  
 Edina #1  
 Tartan  
 Crow River



**Quote of the Month:** Awards become corroded, friends gather no dust. *Jesse Owens*



# BYHA Administration



BOARD OF DIRECTORS		
Position: Name	Phone	Term Expires
President: Donnie Thompson	763.682.0238	April, 2010
Vice President: Steve Pearson	612.916.1161	April, 2009
Secretary/Director: Brenda McDonald	763.684.1338	April, 2009
Secretary/Director: Leslie O'Neill	763.232.6329	April, 2010
Treasurer: Cheryl Zitur	763.416.7139	April, 2011
Director: Bob Furneisen	952.250.9878	April, 2010
Director: Scott Goodmanson	763.682.5512	April, 2009
Director: Bill Anderson	763.682.9462	April, 2011
Director: Mark Worner	763.497.3826	April, 2011
Director: Rick Mueller	763.498.8255	April, 2010

HOCKEY DEVELOPMENT BOARD		
Position: Name	Phone	Term Expires
HOC Director/VP: Bob Driver	763.477.9093	May, 2010
Director of Hockey Development: Jim Rooney	—	May, 2009
Coaching Director: Mike MacMillan	612.247.0507	—
ACE/HEP & Assistant Coaching Coordinator: Dan Ackmann	763.682.1332	—
Tryout Director: Eric Lindvall	763.498.7931	May, 2009
Scheduling Director: Jeff Carlen/Tom Crane	320-493-0876	May, 2009
A, B, C Director: Bill VanBergan	763.682.1624	May, 2010
Squirt Director: Tom McDonald	763.684.1338	May, 2010
Girls Director: Bob Driver	763.477.9093	May, 2009
U8 Director: Shawn Oberg	763.477.5428	May, 2010
Boys High School Coach: Mike MacMillan	612.247.0507	—
Girls High School Coach: Ray Dahlof	763.684.2079	—
BYHA President: Donnie Thompson	763.682.0238	April, 2010

VOLUNTEERS	
Position: Name	Phone
D5 Rep: Steve Pearson	612.916.1161
Metro Rep: Jim Cooper	763.628.4684
Equipment Manager: Derek Gale	952.292.5375
Fundraising Coordinator: Heidi Quiring	763.497.8476
Marketing Coordinator: Bob Furneisen	763.682.3841
Picture Coordinator: Kellie Martinson	763.682.7054
Purchasing Coordinator: Donnie Thompson	763.682.0238
Registration Coordinator: Monica Kunkel	763.682.6391
S.K.A.T.E. Coordinator: Kim Wahl	763.682.5817
Sponsor Coordinator: Bob Furneisen	763.682.3841
Initiation Level Team Manager Coordinator: Deb Lee	763.682.7776
Squirt and Above Level Team Manager Coordinator: Kari Magaard	763.477.4069
Tournament Coordinator: Missy Otten	612.282.5848
Volunteer Coordinator: Stephanie Kohnen	763.498.8574
Website Administrator: Shawn Oberg	763.477.5428
Billing Managers: April Schmidt ( <i>Billing</i> ) Anne Morehouse ( <i>Deposits</i> ) Joan McNamara ( <i>Cash Receipts</i> )	763.682-4262 763.498-8900 763.682.2120
Hall of Fame Committee Chair: Chris Bonnell	763.684.1366



## December Board Meeting



- Gambling Report:

Profit of about \$15,000 for the month of November. One employee was let go. A lot of employee squabbling. Request for expense coverage at \$34,850 for December expenses. Steve motioned to approve. Cheryl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously.

Gambling committee members cannot play pull tabs from our booth. We are due for another compliance review. Everything has been submitted for review. We need a few more members on the gambling committee.

The meeting was called to order at 7:28 PM.

- President's Report:

Donnie not here.

- Secretary's Report:

Steve motioned to approve the secretary's report, Mark 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously.

- Treasurer Report:

All wreaths and Kwik Trip invoices are paid. City paid up through October. Have about \$38,000 in the bank. \$83,000 in receivables to collect. About \$30,000 of receivables are 45+ days old. Calls are being made to collect. Budgeting/finance committee needs to get formed and started. All members must be paid through November or arrangements made no later than 12/31/2008 or skaters will not be allowed to be on the ice after 12/31/08 until accounts are in good standing.

- Registration Report:

Squirts re-rostering is complete. Jr. Gold is still adding players –current numbers stand at 19. All rosters are finalized on December 31—no players may be added after this date. Coaches must have appropriate level certification by December 31 or will have to be removed from the roster.

- Tournament Report:

Missy stills needs a 6<sup>th</sup> C team for PW tourney in January. She thinks there should be more members looking for tournaments for all the teams. This is too large a task for one person to handle adequately.

- Fundraising Report:

Heidi not here. Thona said Heidi did a fantastic job with the wreaths. We are looking for somewhere to host wreath distribution for next year. We have already sold about 200 Papa Murphys coupons.

- Manager Report:

Squirt/U10 and above - Kari Magaard not here.

Mite/Mini-mite - Deb Lee not here.

- Equipment Report:

Derek Gale was not here. Oberg said still equipment missing. In need of four more sets of goalie gear. He will send out an email to try to get the missing gear accounted for.

- Volunteer Report:

Stephanie Kohnen not here.

- Metro Report:

We have a Metro Rep!

- Hockey Operations Report:

Squirt teams have been selected. Coach MacMillan has met with the PeeWee coaches about systems, philosophy, etc. Then will work through the rest of the coaches. Ray will meet with girls coaches. There is a protocol to handle issues with players and coaches. This can be found in the BYHA handbook which is on the website. Bob Driver has been recommended for the Squirt A coaching position. Brenda motioned, Cheryl 2<sup>nd</sup>, Steve and Bob vote no, all others yea, motion passed.

Dryland – coaches get 2 weeks to schedule their dryland otherwise Jeff Carlen will add for them. Scheduling out till January and by end of week should be complete for the season. Lots of discussion on changes of ice time. Jeff Carlen says 7 days out and Mark Worner would like to see no changes at all. Please continue to check website for changes. Tryouts – much discussion of how to better tryouts and/or add rankings. Squirts are split – Tom McDonald did a great job. Trying to get U14 team again next year and in talks with Elk River. Crow River U10, U12, U14 talking with Ed Roethke about their teams. We want to know their vision and how they are going to build their system. U10B tournament going to Hibbing rather than Sauk Rapids. Clinic coaches wanted to donate their \$3,500 for dryland equipment – Bob Driver will generate list by next meeting.

- Sponsor Report:

Nothing.

- Old Business:

The criminal investigation into the theft from BYHA over the past couple of years has taken longer than previously thought but it is ongoing. Criminal charges are expected to be filed before the year's end. We have submitted a claim with our insurance company for the loss as well. It will be several months before we have a final answer to how much money we will be able to recover from the insurance company, the banks, and from court ordered restitution. Rest assured we will aggressively pursue all avenues to recover as much as we possibly can for all BYHA members. Anyone who believes they may have relevant information about this case is encouraged to call Det. Barrett Chrissis with the Buffalo Police Department at 628-5976.



## December Board Meeting



- **New Business:**

First aid kits need to be purchased by each team – minimal supplies and kept in the box during games.

Centra Sota came with a check for \$1,725 to BYHA.

- **Marketing Report:**

Nothing.

- **District 5 Report:**

The Secretary's report it is on the web.

Treasurer's report shows a total account balance of \$50,438.94.

Mike Snee was at the meeting and was introduced as the new MN Hockey Executive Director. There was a long discussion that too many associations are not following the rules. D-5 has already levied \$2,700 in fines this year for rules violations. These violations range from late team roster submissions to failing to have tournaments sanctioned. Most of the fines were a result of associations or D-5 reps not knowing what they were supposed to do. They are not generally a result of intentional disregard for the rules. Rosters must be signed by December 31<sup>st</sup>. No exceptions. Tournament registrations must be in and approved by January 15, 2009. If they are late, they will not be approved and the association that intended to have the tournament will have a very bad day.

Equipment reminder - Helmets must be on the kids until they leave the ice. They may not be removed after the game UNTIL THEY ARE OFF THE ICE. Mouth guards work best when inside the mouth, please make sure that the coaches are covering this with the kids. The referees will give one warning to the bench if mouth guards are not in or are being chewed on. After that it is a 10 minute penalty. Neck guards must be worn no matter where D-5 teams are playing. Zero tolerance means just that, please mind your P's and Q's as spectators and participants. Reminder that mite and mini mite jamborees must be revenue neutral, not fund raisers. Advanced 15 girls meeting to be held January 10th at the Kelly Inn in St. Cloud. 12 noon for lunch and the meeting starts at 1. The D-5 handbook has Girls coordinator Doug Foster's address as being in Albertville. That is incorrect, he lives in St. Michael. 5 D-5 associations are now using the rink writer program for score sheets. When we have some extra "ching" we might want to look at that. Until then we should stay with the old score books.

Play maker, hat trick, and shut out patch requests must have a copy of the score sheet submitted with the request. The score sheet must be signed by everyone including the referees.

BYHA made a motion that in the 2009-2010 season and thereafter, all score sheets will be submitted to the district by the home team regardless of who wins the game. Motion tabled until April meeting.

All CEP clinics must be done by December 31st or the coach may not coach from the bench or on the ice.

If you have a game where the referees are HORRIBLE, wait 24 hours and call Mike Moody to vent.

### **Meeting adjourned at 9:46.**

Present: Rick Mueller, Leslie O'Neill, Brenda McDonald, Bill Anderson, Mark Worner, Bob Furneisen, Steve Pearson, Cheryl Zitursky, Bob Driver, Missy Otten, Monica Kunkel, Shawn Oberg, Thona Olson, Steve McIndoo.



## December Newsletter



### No NameR Hockey Kid of the Year

Hockey parents this is your opportunity tell us in 100 words or less why your kid deserves to be the No NameR Hockey Kid of the Year!

Based on these essays, six finalists and their families will be chosen to attend the Minnesota Wild home game on February 8th.

During a pre-game ceremony two of the finalists will be chosen to receive the Grand Prize, including a road trip to a Minnesota Wild road game, autographed jersey and much more.

Kids ages 5 to 18 are eligible for contest entry and will be judged based on their sportsmanship, school performance, community service and their "State of Hockey" contributions. All entries must be received by January 3rd, 2009.

To find out how your child could win this distinguished honor, visit the NoNameR display at your local grocery story or enter online at [www.nonamehockeykid.com](http://www.nonamehockeykid.com). The contest is limited to residents of Minnesota and Wisconsin. Official rules can be found at [www.nonamehockeykid.com](http://www.nonamehockeykid.com).

### Ice Fees...

**All members must be paid through November or arrangements made no later than 12/31/2008 or skaters will not be allowed to be on the ice after 12/31/08 until accounts are in good standing.**

**If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Zitur at 763.416.7139.**

### Volunteer Information

Please see the BYHA website under Volunteer Info to sign up for your volunteer hours. If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Kohnen at [stephk23@msn.com](mailto:stephk23@msn.com).



### Gambling Report

#### CURRENT Gambling Report:

Revenues and Expenditures - regulatory basis -  
for the four months ending October 30, 2008

Total Revenues:	21,795.27
Less: Total Allowable Expenses:	-11,476.31
Less: Total State Gambling Tax:	<u>-6,452.83</u>
Excess Revenues over Expenses:	3,866.13
Less: Total Lawful Purpose Expenditures:	<u>-0.00</u>
Revenue Over <Under>:	3,866.13 =====
Profit Carryover This Month:	18,860.33 =====

### Administrative Board meetings!

BYHA board meetings meet the second **WEDNESDAY** of each month at 7:00 PM at the Buffalo Civic Center.

The Admin Board invites all BYHA members to attend.

Please call the President two (2) weeks before the meeting to be placed on the agenda.

## Buffalo Youth Hockey Association

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