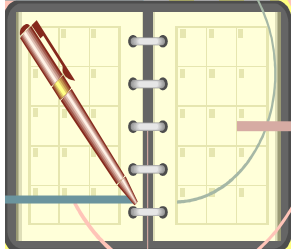
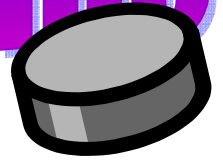




# Bison Blueline

September 2009



## BYHA's 2009 Schedule of Events!!

HOC Meeting Sunday, October 4th at 7:00 pm  
BYHA Board Meeting Wednesday, October 14th at 7:00 pm  
Check the website for your skills and tryout schedules!!

## Fundraising...

**Raffle Tickets**—check the BYHA website for dates and times to purchase more raffle tickets and drop off what you have sold.

**Wreath Sales**—Orders will be collected and processed at the rink October 20-22 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm and October 24 from 9:00 to 11:00 am. Pick up dates and times are Saturday, November 21 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm and Sunday, November 22 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm.

***Location of wreath pick up has changed this year to  
Buffalo Hills Tree Farm on County Road 34!!***

## Did you know??

That BYHA has a meat raffle every Thursday night at 5:30 and Sunday night at 3:30 at Buffalo Bar and Grill?



**Quote of the Month:** *Continuous effort - not strength or intelligence - is the key to unlocking your potential. ~ Liane Carlos*



# 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, 2012
Secretary: Leslie O'Neill	763.232.6329	April, 2010
Treasurer: Cheryl Ziturs	763.416.7139	April, 2011
Director: Bob Furneisen	952.250.9878	April, 2010
Director: Rick Mueller	763.498.8255	April, 2010
Director: Bill Anderson	763.682.9462	April, 2011
Director: Mark Worner	763.497.3826	April, 2011
Director: Cory Carlson	763.682.1593	April, 2012
Director: Mike O'Neill	763.683.6409	April, 2012
Director: Chris Russett	763.443.5275	April, 2012

HOCKEY DEVELOPMENT BOARD		
Position: Name	Phone	Term Expires
HOC Director/VP: Bob Driver	763.477.9093	May, 2011
Director of Hockey Development: Jim Rooney	—	May, 2011
Coaching Director: Mike MacMillan	612.247.0507	—
ACE/HEP & Assistant Coaching Coordinator: Scott Goodman	763.682.5512	May, 2011
Tryout Director: Eric Lindvall	763.498.7931	May, 2011
Scheduling Director: Jeff Carlen/Tom Crane	320-493-0876	May, 2011
A, B, C Director: Bill VanBergan	763.682.1624	May, 2010
Squirt Director:Eric Lindvall & Rick Mueller	763.498.7931 763.498.8255	May, 2011
Girls Director: Ed Rothke	763.355.9285	May, 2011
U8 Director: Shawn Oberg	763.477.5428	May, 2011
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
Wreath Coordinator: Heidi Quiring	763.497.8476
Marketing Coordinator: Bob Furneisen	952.250.9878
Picture Coordinator: Kellie Martinson	763.682.7054
Purchasing Coordinator: Donnie Thompson	763.682.0238
Registration Coordinator: Monica Kunkel	763.682.6391
G.O.A.L. Coordinator: Kim Wahl	763.682.5817
Sponsor Coordinator: Bob Furneisen	952.250.9878
Initiation Level Team Manager Coordinator: Cathy Reller	763.497.9275
Squirt and Above Level Team Manager Coordinator: Kari Maggaard	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: Annie Aslesen ( <i>Billing</i> ) Anne Morehouse ( <i>Deposits</i> ) Joan McNamara ( <i>Cash Receipts</i> )	763.682.6909 763.498-8900 763.682.2120
Hall of Fame Committee Chair: Chris Bonnell	763.684.1366



## September Board Meeting



- Gambling Report:

August was not a good month – hopeful for September. Leslie made a motion to approve \$2,169 unreimbursed game expenses, Donnie 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion approved unanimously. Request for expense coverage at \$19,850 for September expenses. Motion from Leslie and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike. Motion approved unanimously.

The meeting was called to order at 7:24 PM.

- President's Report:

D5 president's meeting, will make recommendations to allow D5 to follow the Mite model from last year or follow the Minnesota Hockey model. Also, there was continuing discussion about BYHA remaining in District 5.

- Secretary's Report:

Donnie motioned to approve August minutes, and Rick 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion approved unanimously.

Reviewed Kellie Martinson's notes: We should stick with Sunshine Studio, and just ask those in the BYHA who places the kids on the teams (mite/mini) to see if teams can be determined a bit earlier is all so I (Kellie) can get on Sunshine more to get pictures to parents before Xmas.

Reviewed Kari Maggaard's notes: Manager meeting must be mandatory, no exceptions. The meeting will take place as soon as possible after tryouts. Will need the cooperation of coaches to get manager information to Kari as soon as possible so the meeting can be scheduled.

- Treasurer Report:

Down to about \$6,500 in old receivables. First billing will go out September 20 and first bill due October 1. October 13 our insurance is due. \$990 was donated by Dale Hartman's company – thank you Dale!

- Registration Report:

Report from Monica Kunkel.

Total skaters registered to date: 315. Breakdown as follows Bantam: 34 ; 14U: 7; Pee wee: 39 ; 12U: 22; Squirt: 49; 10U: 17 ; Mites: 80 ; Mini-mites: 59 ; Jr. Gold: 2; Inactive: 7. Inactive registered skaters include 2--CRYHA girls, 1--past due balances, 4--incomplete registration file. New to Hockey: 20. New Skater registration concludes on September 26th. Jr. Gold registration concludes on November 23rd. Coaching candidates must submit all documents to ACE Coordinator. Managers candidates must submit Screening form to Manager Coordinators.

Registration days went smoothly with just a few families not completing the BYHA online registration portion. We had a great corp of volunteers. Special thanks to Board members who were on hand to answer questions and talk to families.

- Volunteer Report:

1,925 total hrs, 660 tournament hours, 370 playoff, state and regional tournaments, 550 fundraising, registration etc. 365 for coaches and board members, etc. Discussion of how to get people to volunteer and get all the hours covered. Tournaments are very tough to fill and many times filled by the same people. Mike O'Neill and Stephanie will come up with a plan asap to see if required hours should change.

- Hockey Operations Report:

9/7/09 meeting notes:

Coaches Report – Mac:

1. Waiting to hear about paying for coaches. If so, how much? HOC recommends that we pay between \$750.00 - \$1000.00. They will easily spend this amount on mileage and expenses.

2. We will be conducting a coaches' college with Minnesota Hockey Coaches sharing their skills with our coaches. We will need six hours of ice for this clinic. All coaches will have an opportunity for educations.

3. Scott Goodmanson will be our ACE Coordinator.

Ice Scheduler Report – Jeff:

1. Jeff is doing a great job scheduling ice and making accommodations when needed.

ABC/Tournament Coordinator Report – Bill:

1. Bill is working on the Squirt A and C tournaments. Also, placed the PW A team in the St. Cloud tournament.

Tryout Coordinator – Eric:

1. Tryout procedures are going well.

2. PW will not be going to Rogers this year.

Player Development – Jim:

1. Fall Clinic Schedule is planned and staffed.

2. In-season clinics are in the process of being planned and staffed.

3. Money was set aside and allotted for skills. We are not asking for any money again this year. \*HOC is highly recommending, 12 month in advance, to have paid skill coaches run our skills next year.

4. We are compiling a list of equipment needed to have available for dryland stations.

U8 Coordinator – Shawn was not present – Brent reported:

1. Lead on-ice coaches are being picked. Curriculum is being developed.

2. Numbers – 52 minis and 82 mites

Girls' Coordinator – Ed:

1. Teams- 1 U10, 2 U12, and 1 U14

2. Ed is working on waivers with Delano for U14 players

Squirt Coordinators - Eric Lindvall and Rick Mueller

1. We voted the two above names as our squirt coordinators. They will serve as the liaison and work with squirt operations.



# September Board Meeting



- Hockey Operations Report (continued):

ACE Coordinator: Scott Goodmanson

President: Bob Driver

Tryout Coordinator: Eric Lindvall

Player Development: Jim Rooney

U8: Shawn Oberg

Girls: Ed Roethke

Squirt Coordinator: Eric Lindvall, Rick Mueller

Mike motioned to approve all of the above HOC members except Rick Mueller, Donnie 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously.

Donnie motioned to approve Rick Mueller for the Squirt Coordinator even though he is a current board member, Leslie 2<sup>nd</sup>, Mike and Bob no votes, Donnie, Leslie, Cheryl, Chris, Steve, Cory, Mark, Bill yes votes. Motion passes.

Leslie motioned that all other non parent head coaches for traveling teams will be reimbursed up to 150 miles at the current IRS mileage business rate. Donnie 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously.

Leslie motioned that non-parent head coaches for Junior Gold, Bantam A and U14A be reimbursed up to \$1,000 for mileage and hotel costs. Donnie 2<sup>nd</sup>, Bill Anderson no vote, Leslie, Bob, Mike, Chris, Steve, Donnie, Cory, Mark, Cheryl yes votes. Motion passes. We don't have money budgeted for the current year but we struggle to find coaches. We are trying to find a place to start paying coaches again. Money can most likely come from gambling.

- Tournament Report:

No report.

- GOAL Report:

No report.

- Fundraising Report:

Current leader of selling raffle tickets is only 60 tickets – get out there and sell!! Additional raffle tickets are available. Looking for someone to head up the year end party on March 12 looking to put a committee together. Contact Monica or Cheryl. Watch for wreath order turn in information.

- Manager Report:

- Squirt/U10 and above - See Secretary's report.

- Mite/Mini-mite – Cathy Reller and Stephanie Kohnen. They have a lot of volunteers for manager spots.

- Metro Report:

No report.

- Equipment Report:

No report.

- Marketing Report:

Mailers are going out this week.

- Sponsor Report:

Report from Bob Furneisen. Donnie and Bob met with the city to discuss how we can market in the arena last month. Bob will bring in his report next month.

- District 5 Report:

Report from Mike O'Neill – anyone on the Board, HOC, Managers and Coaches need to turn in screening forms. Tax returns must be turned in to D5 before rosters are signed. Teams need to be declared by September 30 (how many of each team and level). D5 will have U12A league. Currently there are no mini-mite games allowed in D5 – would BYHA like mini-mite games? If so, how many? Next D5 meeting is October 7 at 7:00 pm at Daniels in Cokato.

- Old Business:

Criminal case is still pending. Buffalo PD says interviews are happening now. The initial check from our insurance company is coming. The process continues.

Donnie has not had any response from Hanover but will continue to contact.

- New Business:

Cory Peterson and Gary Mattson from Total Hockey West presented their programs. They have a new facility in St. Louis Park. Brochures are in the lobby of our arena and their website is [hattrickarena.com](http://hattrickarena.com).

Recruitment for girls – Monica presented current girls stats. Numbers are dwindling....we are struggling to put together a 14u team and have only enough for one 10U team. 12u teams will be small also unless we get a significant number of girls from Crow River.

70 -- registered girls 8u - 14u

4 -- new to hockey

25 are @ 8U (specifically [4@8u](#); [5@7u](#); [7@6u](#); [7@5u](#); [1@4u](#))

2010-2011 season we will need every girl currently registered as last year 8Us and first year 10Us to field just one team at the 10U level. Last year we had 89 girls (not including the 14Us who went to HS) and 13 new to hockey (5 of those did not register this year). About 9 of those girls were from Crow River. We have to have a person/committee head up marketing/retention/recruitment.

Hockey Across America – again, we need to have someone heading up retention/recruitment – Bill Anderson will head up for now.



## September Newsletter



### • New Business (continued):

Scholarships were discussed at length. Cheryl requested that we think about putting a program together with requirements. Cheryl can have the finance committee come up with a program to be discussed later. Topic is tabled for now.

### Motion to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup>. Meeting adjourned at 10:01.

Present: Leslie O'Neill, Bob Furneisen, Thona Olson, Mike O'Neill, Chris Russett, Steve Pearson, Donnie Thompson, Monica Kunkel, Cory Carlson, Bob Ehrman, Mark Worner, Shawn Oberg, Monica Kunkel, Stephanie Kohnen, Cathy Reller, John Reynolds, Dave Schuetzle, Bill Anderson, Cheryl Zitur.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie O'Neill

## Volunteer Opportunities!!

### Grow Hockey Coordinator

BYHA is looking for an individual or committee that could coordinate Buffalo Days, Hanover Days, Montrose Days, Wright County Fair (MAML has a booth there), Hockey Day Minnesota, and Hockey Weekend Across America events. This position/committee would also establish and implement a Retention/Recruiting plan for the association. If you are interested please contact Leslie O'Neill at [lesliema@live.com](mailto:lesliema@live.com).

**Thank You!!**

## Volunteer Opportunities!!

### Gambling Committee

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](mailto:Thonamn7@aol.com).

### Marketing

Please contact Bob Furneisen if you are interested at 952-250-9878.

**Thank You!!**

### 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 eleven months ending July 31, 2009

Total Revenues:	22,842.79
Less: Total Allowable Expenses:	-12,535.68
Less: Total State Gambling Tax:	<u>-3,455.76</u>
Excess Revenues over Expenses:	6,851.35
Less: Total Lawful Purpose Expenditures:	<u>0.00</u>
Revenue Over <Under>:	6,851.35 =====
Profit Carryover This Month:	33,927.58 =====

## 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.

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