

Bemidji Youth Hockey Association Regular Meeting
February 17, 2010
Lueken's North
6:00p.m.

Board Members Present:

Tracy Pogue, Clint Bruestle, Jill Anderson, Dave Goeddertz, Denise Merschman, Mike Gregg

Board Members Absent:

Tara Baker

Age Group Reps Present:

Amy Tobey, Craig Larson, Mike Amble

Visitors:

Chris Christophersen, Jana Norgaard, Hugh Welle

Meeting called to order by President at 5:59p.m.

A. Administrative & Financial Matters

- a. *Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:*
 - i. Previous Minutes Reviewed by board, no changes needed
 - ii. Motion made by Jill A. to accept January Minutes, Second by Denise
 - iii. Motion carried/approved.
- b. *President's Report- Tracy Pogue*
 - i. Warming House/Board Bids are up, Deadline to submit sealed bids in is Thursday 25th.
 - ii. Old Dutch Report is that it went well, 14U and Squirts each participated in the events. **ACTION: Thank You's need to be sent out to BSU for allowing us to participate.** BSU would like to continue the Old Dutch Event yearly.
 - iii. BYHA still does not have Minutes posted for March 2009 meeting, concerns board meeting before this board was established. **ACTION: CLINT B. IS WORKING ON THIS.**
 - iv. Attended the District 16 seeding meeting. All District 16 game results will be posted by and on the Roseau website and need to be sent in to
 - v. District Tournament rules were sent out to all teams and rules need to be included in policy and procedure guide.
 - vi. BCA is going to be open a few weeks longer this year into March, does BYHA want to allow the ice to be used for a 3 x 3 event. Board approves idea of having 3 x 3 at BCA during those extra available weeks. The event will be open only to BYHA registered players.

- vii. Received a donation of \$2500.00 from Merit Care to be used to purchase an AED unit for the BCA. **ACTION: Thank You Card needs to be sent to Merit Care and Dr. Carlson for their hard work and donation.** Dave is currently working with the EMT's on purchasing the AED unit and getting training to those who need it.
 - viii. Coaches Reimbursement for making State Tournament. Discussion on providing extra funds for coaches over their account allotments.
 - ix. Motion made by Mike to increase expense account allotment by \$400 per team/\$200 each coach that makes it to Minnesota State Tournament. Seconded by Clint, Motion carried/approved.
 - x. Serious Issue brought up about having phones or cameras of any kind inside of locker rooms. Discussion on items being allowed or not inside locker rooms. **Board stated that NO PHONES or CAMERA DEVICES are allowed into locker rooms.** **ACTION: Item needs to be brought up and addressed in Policy and Procedures for Next year.**
 - xi. Received notice from Tara B. that she is resigning from her position on the BYHA Board due to personal reasons. Need a replacement for her for voting issues for next two board meetings until new board is elected.
 - xii. Motion made by Clint B. to approve Mike Amble to be Tara's replacement for the remaining two meetings before election. Second by Jill A. Motion carried/approved.
 - xiii. Election Process: who runs for board positions next election.
 - Tracy P., Jill A. and Tara B. were elected as 3 year terms
 - Judy M. and Mike G. were elected as 2 year terms
 - Clint B. and Denise M. were elected as 1 year termsFor next board election: Clint, Denise and Tara's position will be open for re-election.
 - ix. April 21st, 2010 at 7p.m. is Annual Meeting and Election Process. **ACTION: Notice to be put onto website and flyer on bulletin board at BCA.**
- c. *Treasurer/Budget Report-Dave Goeddertz*
- i. Dave went over Budget Report/Treasurer Report for board. Currently not looking at a deficit amount for the end of the hockey season.
 - ii. Motion made by Denise M. to approve Treasurer/Budget Report. Second by Clint, Motion carried/approved.
- d. *Concessions*
- i. Currently at \$43,000.00 in Gross Sales, that is down by 7% from last year but we still have 3 more tournaments to host and 1 High School game to cover. Report after those games should put us as budgeted for the year.
 - ii. Joe B. has informed BYHA that this is his last year working as Concession Stand Leader. More discussion on a replacement to happen at a later time with having Joe B. involved in possible selection process.
- e. *Gambling Report*

- i. None
- f. *Registration*
 - i. None
- g. *Scheduling*
 - i. None
- h. *Grievance*
 - i. None
- i. *Policy & Procedures*
 - i. Still a work in progress
- j. *Announcements*
 - i. Steve Montgomery was appointed to be new Pee-Wee Rep to replace Mike Amble.
- k. *Old Business*
 - i. Pond Hockey will be having their ice rink set up this Saturday the 20th. 6 to 8 rinks to be set up, 54 teams currently registered to play. BYHA has about 10 people that will be showing up to help with set up, does not look like BYHA help time is that big. There will be a need at the end for the tear down process that BYHA could be helping in also.

B. Hockey Matters

- a. *EMT's*
 - i. Currently have a pool of 6 available for scheduling. Slowing working on enlarging the pool number to draw from.
- b. *Equipment*
 - i. Thinking ahead on the need to start replacing team jerseys that are worn out. Will work on getting pricing information to have for discussion for new board/budget year.
 - ii. **JERSEY'S NEED TO BE COLLECTED BY ALL COACHES, EXCEPT MITES, AT THE LAST GAME OF THE YEAR. NO EXCEPTIONS.**
- c. *HDC*
 - i. None
- d. *HEP*
 - i. None
- e. *Referee's*
 - i. MN Hockey is looking at requiring 3 referees at 12U/PW and 14U/Bantam levels.
- f. *Tournaments*
 - i. All home tournaments are done and completed. Still have 2 team Districts to host and State Bantam B to host. Banquet for State games has been cancelled by MN Hockey for this year.
 - ii. Need to think about budgeting for next year for any hosting of tournaments in the future.

C. Marketing

- a. *Banquet*

- i. There have been no volunteers to step up to put together a banquet for this year. **ACTION: Tracy will write and post a notice on website and bulletin board at BCA regarding the Banquet being cancelled this year.**
- b. *Calendar*
 - i. None
- c. *KAWC*
 - i. KA Ticket money needs to be turned in by March 15th.
 - ii. 48 KA Tickets have been sold through the concession this year.
- d. *DIBS & Volunteers*
 - i. Presented an end of year report on where teams stand on families completing their DIBs requirement. 86% of families meeting their goals by the end of the year.
 - ii. Have 2 families that have done NO DIBS at all
 - iii. Looking at putting a Task Force group together in April to get ready for next year.
- e. *Marketing Committee*
 - i. Currently taking a break from the aggressive efforts to get business signed up.
 - ii. Thinking about finding 10 to 12 individuals to join the group for a campaign of obtaining 3 businesses each to sign up.
 - iii. Remember NO SOLICITING any business for BYHA outside of the marketing Team.
- f. *Mite Recruiter*
 - i. None
- g. *Pictures*
 - i. None
- i. *Website*
 - i. Since November 1st the website has had 6,262 page views with Keith's Pizza being the #1 visited site at 245 visitors.

D. BCA

- a. *Special Projects*
 - i. New Tables are done and will be put into the BCA on Friday the 19th before the 14U District Tournament. Total of 7 tables will be placed with one table already in at the BCA.

E. Misc.

- i. Craig Larson discussed BYHA Mite 4's headed to Crookston for their Jamboree. Had 9 players from Mite 3's move up to Mite 4's. Mite 3's will be hosting a Jamboree here this year. Grand Rapids has responded with 3 teams attending, Wadena also responded with 1 team attending. Still working out decisions that need to be made for the Jamboree. Discussion on cost for obtaining participation medals for BYHA Mites for this year and participation medals for Jamboree participants. Looking at about \$250 for each group. BYHA will cover any costs left to purchase participation medals for Mites, not to exceed \$500, after fundraising.

- ii. Hugh Welle presented the information on BYHA tax penalty issue. Discussed the options available to BYHA. Clint Motioned to pay the IRS penalty amount and apply for the refund. Seconded by Mike, Motion carried/approved.
- iii. Chris Christophersen was present to discuss information on behalf of the Innkeepers' here in Bemidji. Letters were sent from a couple of Innkeeper Managers regarding a few visiting teams that had stayed at their establishments. Letters contained both negative comments and positive comments regarding visiting teams. The Innkeeper's would like to see better communication between them and BYHA and be able to have a guideline of notifying BYHA of situations that have occurred. Innkeepers' are coming up with a code of conduct form to be used and signed by visiting teams at Bemidji area Hotels.
ACTION: Tracy will handle the negative situations and write a letter to inform visiting teams Hockey Association Board of teams/parents conduct.

F. Adjournment

- i. 9:15p.m. Motion made by Mike G. to adjourn our meeting, Seconded by Dave G., Motion carried/approved.

G. Next Board Meeting

- i. March 17th, 2010, scheduled at Lueken's Village North at 6:00p.m.