Newsletter April 2010

Bison Blueline

BYHA New Board Members

Derek Gale

Tim Morehouse

Joe Prince

Ed Roethke

Ice Out Committee

Lee Ryan Sarah Carrothers Loree Callicott

Kim Carlson Chris Russett

Monica Kunkel

Cheryl Zitur Kellie Martinson

Thank You!

Finance Committee - Raffle Work

Eric Pederson Monica Kunkel

Brian Swenson

Cheryl Zitur Rick Mueller

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Marketing Coordinator
- Purchasing Coordinator
- Registration Coordinator
- Sponsor Coordinator
- Tournament Coordinator

If you are interested in volunteering for one of these positions, please contact a current board member.

Buffalo Youth Hockey Association

BYHA's

Schedule of Events

- > HOC Meeting May 9, 2010 7:00 PM
- > BYHA Board Meeting May 12, 2010 7:00 PM

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Gambling Report

Looking good recently. February cleared \$5,000 which is very good because of the high taxes. Will receive \$16,356.67 credit for unsold tabs which they took out \$9,222.42 in taxes. We will be getting a check for the balance shortly. \$27,388 made from the raffle and will need a board action to approve a transfer. Met with J's Downunder. Planning to start meet raffle there in May (2x per week).

Leslie motioned to approve the requested expense coverage of \$33,950. Donnie 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

Cheryl motioned that the raffle profit of \$27,388 be donated from gambling back to BYHA. Steve 2nd. Motion passed unanimously.

Gambling Numbers				
Revenue and Expenditures – regulatory basis – for the eight months ended February 28th, 2010				
Total Revenues	\$31,292.00			
LESS: TOTAL ALLOWABLE EXPENSES	-\$12,895.66			
LESS: TOTAL STATE GAMBLING TAX	-\$13,336.27			
EXCESS REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	\$21,416.74			
LESS: TOTAL LAWFUL PURPOSE EXPENDITURES	\$0			
REVENUE OVER <under></under>	\$21,416.74			
PROFIT CARRYOVER THIS MONTH:	\$64,104.61			

April Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:17 PM.

President's Report:

Girls – UI2 coop is still in question of happening. It is all on hold. MAML has an official grievance with D5. We will keep you posted when more information comes in.

Thank you to everyone for all the hard work the past two years have been very tough but we have really come a long way and made good decisions to get to where we are now.

Thanks also for Thona's hard work and to Steve Pearson.

Secretary's Report:

Mike motioned to approve March's minutes, Donnie 2nd, motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer Report:

Jerseys – talked about getting bids for next year. Derek may be getting practice jerseys from USA hockey for free. We will have enough to pay \$50,000 for city bill in June. We did profit about the same from wreaths and raffle as we did last year from just the wreaths. Don't know if the raffle will happen next year.

Thanks to the finance committee – Eric Pederson, Monica Kunkel, Brian Swenson, Cheryl Zitur, Rick Mueller. Thanks to the Ice Out committee – Lee Ryan, Loree Callicott, Sarah Carrothers, Kim Carlson, Chris Russett, Monica Kunkel, Cheryl Zitur, Kellie Martinson. Made about \$4,000 from Ice Out. Thanks to all the managers and teams for the baskets.

Finance committee meeting to go over budgets for next season. We have really recovered well in the last two years.

Registration Report:

New registration coordinator needed by May.

Tournament Report:

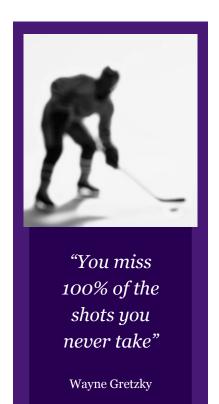
New tournament coordinator needed by May.

GOAL Report:

Manager Report:

Squirt/U10 and above – Kari Magaard. Mite/Mini-mite – Cathy Reller and Stephanie Kohnen.

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Equipment Report:

Report from Derek Gale. All the equipment is back. He has free jerseys coming from USA hockey. Way to go Derek!!

Volunteer Report:

Stephanie would like to have help at the volunteer position. Please contact her if you are interested at stephk23@msn.com. A separate meeting will be scheduled soon to discuss DIBS and volunteer hours and how it can work better next season.

Metro Report:

No report.

Hockey Operations Report:

Summary: HOC did a lot of data collecting – had surveys for membership and coaches. Met last Wednesday to review and focus on ways to improve and address the concerns of the organization. Had great discussion. Have discussed HOC structure having a cabinet approach trying to get more and more people involved. Meet more often during peak time of the season. Found some gaps in HOC – maybe have a PR person. Someone that can write articles and educate parents on hockey, operations.

Last Monday there was a coaches meeting challenging the coaches to find ways to improve and retention. We had about 32 coaches attend. Will build this type of meeting into the season – it was a big success.

Treats - recommending that there are no treats at mini mite and mite levels.

Will be recommending to bring in goalie coaches several times throughout the season.

Will be recommending to pay non parent coaches.

HDC Minutes - 4/7/10 End of the year meeting.

HNC Structure:

Cabinet Approach – Each position would have an organizational chart. Meet more often – Biweekly during peak of times of the year, evaluations, team selection, team numbers, etc. Found gaps in the HOC – recommend a PR position, Peewee/Bantam position, and parent relations position. Recommend Sunday night pond hockey for levels

U8: Mites/Mini Mites, Position Open

Create a recruiting plan. Create a pink dot club – increase girls' participation. Evaluate the season – end by March 15th – break around the holidays. Look at structure – perhaps by grades – closer to like ability.

Squirts, Rick Mueller/Eric Lindvall

Talked about ice contact ratio per week - schedule more 1.25 - 1.5 - kids would have same amount of time, but less times at the rink. More small area instruction - build in more competition

ABC/Tournament, Position Open

Position name change to Tournament Coordinator. Person needs to dialogue with coaches more, get more feedback on tournaments.

Cap on three tournaments – teams can chose to go to more on their dime. Important position to have cabinet – more voices.

Goalies, Ed Roethke

Recommend a surcharge for goalie development. Need to have a pool of goalie coaches available. More resources and website information. Isolated Goalie Clinics.



Coaches', Scott Goodmanson More coaches' meetings. Pay nonparent coaches more money – quest to find more.

Preseason level meetings were great, continue Formal coaches' evaluations – "professional growth".

Ice Scheduler, Monica Kunkel

With a new person in place, we will be meeting with Monica to discuss how we will approach ice-time.

Skill Dev/Player Dev, Brent Wittenberg

Brent will rely on a cabinet of individuals HOC recommends outsourcing three (3) in-season skills' clinics to aid in both player and coaching development. This would be great for overall development.

Also brought up at coaches' meeting to do a coaches' exchange for a practice. Coaches from different levels help out at another level to add variety.

Within this area, have a Dryland Coordinator to arrange and organize dryland facilities, equip-

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ment and schedule. Talked about the availability of the room behind Peterson?
HOC requesting \$5000.00 for dryland updates, equipment and facility.

Girls' Coordinator, John Reynolds Work on recruitment and retention of more girls. U12 SU14 Coop with Delano – on hold waiting. During tryouts more scrimmaging.

Tryout Coordinator, Position Open
Continue to find evaluators that are willing to help out in the process (early). Receive more input from previous coaches – ask about player, not compared to others. More clarity on team selection and number of players per team. We understand that we need to spend more time on developing procedures – but we also know that traditionally this is an emotional topic for most families.

Sponsor Report:

No report.

Old Business:

No old business.

New Business:

No new business.

Marketing Report:

No report.

District 5 Report:

The Secretary report was accepted.

Treasurer's report shows a total account balance of \$15,791.91.

BYHA will receive a check from MN Hockey via D-5 in the amount of \$890.00. This was a reimbursement of \$10 per registered coach in BYHA.

INTERESTING NOTE: The single elimination playoff system used last season cost about \$12,000.00. The double elimination play-off
system this past season cost about over
\$27,500.00. That is a huge difference. Discussions will be held this summer regarding the
process next season and whether or not we
can afford this big increase.

BYHA has a motion on the table that removes the right of the D-5 executive board to vote on matters before the association board. The motion gives the decision making authority exclusively to the member associations. It also eliminates the potential for any association to have more than one vote. MAML has a similar motion on the table. BYHA has two other motions on the table to amend the handbook. Motion #1 removes the neck guard requirement. Motion #2 states that D-5 may not impose any rule or mandate upon the associations that are not already required by MN Hockey. The D-5 MN Hockey Representative, Doug Kephart, announced that under the authority granted by him by MN Hockey bylaws (Article 17 to be precise) he was removing all of the aforementioned motions from consideration. Kephart's reasons for his actions are, that since we have 3 new associations coming into the group, it is not a good time for change. In addition, we "need" the age wisdom and guidance of the executive board and it would not be a good idea to remove their voting ability. Bottom line: BYHA, MAML, Becker-Big Lake, and Wilmar have filed a orievance with MN Hockey.

STMA was appointed by Kephart to be on the handbook committee along with St. Cloud, Hutchinson, Sartel, Becker-Big Lake, and Sauk Rapids. They are going to rewrite the handbook for all of us and we will vote on those changes before the season begins. It was suggested that everyone have input in the new handbook

but that idea of representation was rejected out of hand. Kephart agreed that when the new handbook is presented to the group we would be able to make motions to modify it and vote on those motions right away.

LDC questioned why MAML and STMA were allowed to co-op their girls when STMA has more than enough girls to go on their own. (He was still a little upset about the 22-D LDC defeat to the North Wright County girls in the play offs.) Kephart agreed to look closely at that and intimated that this co-op may be a thing of the past.

New MN Hockey rules will limit the number of full ice games Mites can play to 8. Unlimited $\frac{1}{2}$ ice games.

The May D-5 meeting is canceled.

Future D-5 meetings will be at Triple R Bar & Grill in Kimball.

Doug Foster (STMA) ran against Swayne Smith (River Lakes) for 2nd V.P. Smith won. Doug Foster ran against an attorney from Sauk Rapids for D-5 Secretary. The lawyer won.

Motion to adjourn, 2nd. Meeting adjourned at 9:16.

Present: Leslie O'Neill, Bob Furneisen, Thona Olson, Mike O'Neill, Steve Pearson, Cory Carlson, Mark Worner, Cheryl Zitur, Chris Russett, Derek Gale, Rick Mueller, Donnie Thompson, Bill Anderson, Eric Pederson, Eric Pontius, John Reynolds, Brent Whittenberg, Bob Driver, Eric Lindvall, Nancy and Dave Monsrud, Joy Keifer, Kris Thompson.

Respectfully submitted,

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Position	Name	Phone	Term Expires		
Vice President	Steve Pearson	612.916.1161	April 2012		
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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		
Director	Tim Morehouse		April 2013		
Director	Derek Gale		April 2013		
Director	Joe Prince		April 2013		
Director	Ed Roethde		April 2013		



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	OPEN POSITION			
Picture Coordinator	Kellie Martinson	763.682.7054		
Purchasing Coordinator	OPEN POSITION			
Registration Coordinator	OPEN POSITION			
G.O.A.L. Coordinator	Steph Golden	763.732.9868		
Sponsor Coordinator	OPEN POSITION			
Initiation Level Team Manager Coordinator	Cathy Reller	763.497.9275		
Squirt and Above Level Team Manager Coordinator:	Kari Magaard	763.477.4069		
Tournament Coordinator	OPEN POSITION			
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	Joan McNamara (Cash Receipts)	763.682.2120		
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