

Board Meeting Minutes

Board Members Present

Quentin Fairbanks, Dan Dow, Dale Thompson, Clint Bruestle, Tom Forseth, Hugh Welle, Jerry Downs

Board Members Absent

Steve Johnson

Visitors Present

Kim Schulz

Called to Order

By Dan Dow at 6:00 pm.

BCA board meeting minutes of April 14, 2010 were approved with the motion made by Hugh Welle, second by Tom Forseth and approved by the board.

Dan Dow welcomed and recognized Kim Schulz to the meeting and the board presented her with a plaque in an effort to express our gratitude to her for many years of dedicated service to Bemidji Youth Hockey through a variety of positions, from registrar for our local association to various roles at the Minnesota Hockey District level and every imaginable volunteer position too numerous to mention here. Kim served the Arena board most recently as Secretary and assisted in the recordkeeping of the arena pledge campaign for construction of the lobby addition to the rink. Kim and her husband Rick were instrumental in so many ways in the development of the Bemidji Community Arena, always lending a hand when needed. Their own players never benefited from the new rink as its completion was after they moved on to high school hockey.

Kim acknowledged the recognition and encouraged the Board to call on her or Rick if a special project needed some help.

A motion was made by Bruestle, seconded by Thompson to elect Kevin Waldhausen to the board to assume the vacated position of Kim Schulz

The motion passed.

Quentin encouraged the board to request a grant application from the County to seek funding for a specific project from Beltrami County's discretionary fund. Annually, the County acts on such requests for projects that fit the definition of community development. Hugh will pursue getting the application from County staff.

Rink Operations Report

Dale Thompson reported on the shutdown process. The retired Zamboni has been moved back inside for the summer and all mechanical systems have been put to rest for the off season. Dale would like to do some more work on the yard and planting areas of the rink with fresh mulch to add. Dale will seek the purchase of the plastic owls needed to deter nesting birds from our exterior log trusses.

Donor Board Development Progress Report

No progress to report in this area.

Advertising Program Report

Clint reported on the progress of this very successful program.

Interior Furnishings

Tom Forseth brought a variety of chairs and a folding table for consideration. The pipeline construction group rented the furniture from North Country Business Products and they are now selling it. The Board agreed to make an offer of \$3,000 for the entire inventory which amounts to 35 folding tables and 52 chairs, some folding, some stackable.

Budget

Clint distributed a budget worksheet which included the actual financial results from the hockey year ending April 30, 2010. The Board reviewed the details of this information and established expense levels for this hockey year to be integrated with the general operating budget of BYHA. The Board discussed at length the possibility of opening the rink in early October if a 30 day clinic can be organized. Clint and Tracy forecasted the financial impact of this concept and with strong participation by our families it is very feasible. The Hockey Development Committee will pursue the details and logistics of such an effort. This Board was in favor of this if the necessary interest level is there. The increased expenses and revenue will be integrated into the complete budget if this step is taken.

Other

The Board discussed at length possible improvements to the facility during the off-season. A formal list with accurate pricing is necessary.

The BYHA/BCA Marketing Committee continues to seek assistance in the sale of advertising packages, predicated upon the back lit signs in the arena.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be scheduled in August.

Meeting Adjourned

At 8:30 pm