

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

Board Members Present: Tracy Pogue, Jill Andersen, Denise Merschman, Clint Bruestle, Jana Norgaard, Mike Gregg

Board Members Absent: Kevin Waldhausen

Age Group Reps Present: Kris Christopher, Kami Kelm, Erica Defatte, Jill Holm, Cassie Maish, Tracy Grove, Paula DeClusin, Nick Berg

Age Group Reps Absent: Lisa McNamara

Visitors: Mark Elliott

Meeting called to order by Tracy Pogue, President, at 6:03 p.m.

A. Administrative & Financial Matters

1. *Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:*

- a. Review of October Minutes
- b. Motion made by Clint B. to approve October Minutes, Second by Jana N., motion carried/passed.

2. *President's Report*

- a. November 27th is BYHA Nite at the BREC. Parents and kids can purchase tickets for \$12 at the BREC box office by using the code word "Bucky". Kids are encouraged to wear their Jerseys, bring their skates and helmets because they will be allowed to skate with BSU after the game. **NO STICKS ALLOWED.** The kids will have to carry and hold onto their skates and helmets during the game as there is no place to put them during the game. **PLEASE MAKE SURE THE SKATES ARE IN A BAG AND BLADES ARE COVERED AS TO PREVENT ANY INJURIES FROM BLADES.** This offer is also being extended out to any visiting teams that BYHA may be playing that weekend that is in town.
- b. BYHA Facebook account now has 233 followers
- c. Mark Elliott is here to discuss the new District 16 Locker Room Policy. Mark discussed how this new policy came about and what is needed to meet this new policy. New Policy will be posted onto our website and sent out to everybody in the BYHA organization. (See website to look at District 16 Locker Room Policy).

3. *Treasurer Report*

- a. Budget/Treasury Report reviewed and discussed

- b. Checks being sent out to all payable level coaches their 1st half of their pay.
- c. Coaches will also be receiving reimbursement check for the USA Hockey Registration Fee.
- d. Checks need to be made out paying for tournament fees for 2 of our teams to attend.
- e. Received a check back from Play it Again Sports from Jersey purchase. The total invoice was less then originally calculated and paid for.
- f. Motion made by Mike G. to approve Treasurer Report as presented and discussed, Second by Denise M., motion carried/passed.

4. *Concessions Report*- None

5. *Registration*- None

6. *Scheduling*

- a. Dave White has been working very hard on all teams schedules. Most District games are scheduled and in place, waiting to hear back from a couple of other teams to finish up and then will post the games.

7. *Grievances*

- a. None
- b. Clint B. wanted to let Age Group Reps know that there is a grievance community in place. If there is a problem that can not be fixed within that team or group then the complaint needs to be brought and addressed to Clint Bruestle who is head of the Grievance committee. The complaint needs to be presented in writing to Clint. Grievances can not just be called in to Clint for review.

8. *Policy & Procedures*

- a. Clint B. continues to work on updating
- b. BYHA needs to come up with a Gender Policy & Procedure that addresses gender specific issues.
- c. **ACTION: Clint Bruestle to work on this and present to the Board for review and discussion.**

9. *Old Business*

- a. Jana continues to work on signs needed for the locker room doors stating now sticks or cell phones allowed in locker rooms.

B. Hockey Matters

1. *EMT's*

- a. Jill A. talked with Kyla about being able to use EMT's personnel to run a penalty box during tournaments while working. Kyla thought it would be okay.

2. *Referee's*- None

3. *Equipment*

- a. Jerseys are all out. Did need 2 White and 2 Blue jerseys from Squirts if some available for 10U. Their jerseys are the exact same.
- b. **ACTION: Nick Berg to check into this and let Denise M. know if available.**

4. *HDC*

- a. Met on Tuesday morning 16th.
- b. Pee wee's has 3 teams instead of 4
- c. There is a 10U team
- d. Made up a Coaches Contact List and will be posted onto BYHA website
- e. USA Hockey is working with BYHA and Mite groups to help Parents better understand the Cross Ice Program being used. Information should be coming out this week.

5. *Tournaments*

- a. Couple of teams drop out due to their numbers
- b. 14U is in need of 1 team
- c. Pee wee2 is in need of 1 team
- d. Squirt B is in need of 2 teams
- e. Job description given out to parents that are coordinating the tournaments.
- f. **10U Districts are being held February 18th thru 20th and NOT March 4th thru 6th this year.**
- g. Bemidji is hosting both Squirt B District Tournaments this year and 14U District Tournament.

C. **Marketing**

1. *Banquet*

- a. Cassie M. is willing to take the lead for this but will need 2 to 3 people to work with her on this.
- b. Clint B. has itinerary/check list on how to run Banquet and what is needed.
- c. Email will be sent out to everyone asking for help.

2. *Fundraising*

- a. Calendar- All out to the Age Group Reps and to families.
 - i. When collecting money from families need to count it in front of them to verify that it is correct and the stubs match up with the numbers given out. Parents need to sign the sheet showing they turned in their money and all is correct.
 - ii. Money can be given to Jill A., Tracy P., or Denise M. from Age Group Reps. If can not get to one of them Age Group Reps can put money and stubs into envelope and bring to either Deer Wood Bank (Tracy Pogue name on envelope) or First National Bank.(Hugh Welle name on envelope).

3. *Marketing Committee*

- a. Efforts continue and has went well
- b. 8 sign brackets have been placed inside the BCA with 4 being sold already.

4. *Mite Recruiter*- None

5. *Pictures*

- a. Done on November 15th did all the teams in one night and went well overall.

6. *DIBS*

- a. Going well, most jobs are filling up without any problems
- b. Mites were given 15 credits as they only need to do 25 DIBS
- c. Family cap is 70 DIBS
- d. Tournaments- Age Group Reps are to handle and your families have to work their own tournaments. 40 DIB credits is own tournament.
- e. Age Group Reps also need to print out the DIB schedule of their home games and take to the rink that they are playing out and put into the DIBS binder for that day. The binder is left in the concession stand.

7. *Website*

- a. May notice more changes, little changes happening all the time to help streamline our website, more Quick Links.
- b. Age Group Reps need to familiarize yourself with the website and your groups. You can make changes to your group's site also.

D. BCA- Had a meeting 3 weeks ago, Minutes not done or posted yet.

E. Misc.

1. An Open Hockey session was witnessed as not having any supervision present. Open Hockey **MUST HAVE** supervision at all times in the rink area, **NOT OUT IN THE LOBBY**.
2. Jana N. will post Open Hockey times on DIBS for people to sign up for, if no one signs up for that time session then Open Hockey will be cancelled.
3. Supervision person has to have had a background check; they are not out on the ice. They must be in the rink area and cannot go out into the Lobby area during their schedule timed. They must also monitor locker rooms.
4. Continue to have a bathroom issue with girls being in one locker room and boys in the other and no way to lock one of the doors so girls do not walk in on boys or vice versa. **ACTION: Clint B. to look into this issue.**
5. Tournament Director Position is posted for someone to take on for next year.

F. Adjournment

Motion made by Mike G. to adjourn meeting, Second by Jill A., motion carried/passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

G. Next Board Meeting

December 15th, 2010 at Lueken's Village North at 6:00 p.m.