Newsletter March 2011

Bison Blueline

"ICE OUT" THANK YOU NOTE:

"ICE OUT" Committee

Julie Kasa, Charity Mealman, Deb Lee, Heidi Quiring, Koren Swenson, Lee Ryan, Sara Carothers and Sherry Englund.

Special Thanks to RIVER INN in Hanover:

RIVER INN in Hanover provided the food and donated servers for the evening

All team managers for putting together the AWESOME baskets!!

VOTE BYHA BOARD ELECTION NIGHT VOTE

Wednesday April 13th - Polls open at 7pm

GAMBLING REPORT

Monthly business snapshot for the last two years shows Gross Receipts for January up over \$30,000 with Net Receipts for the same period up nearly \$13,000.

January expenses were up due to the higher volume of game play but overall numbers also are up.

Meat Raffles have been consistent month to month and the Monday night bingo has made roughly \$200 per night. Still trying to figure out how to work the weekly bingo. Two volunteers are needed each week to work with one gambling employee. Decisions will be made on how to compensate bingo night volunteers.

Motion was made to approve the requested expense coverage of \$36,900 for the period March 1-31st. Motion was approved.

Gambling Numbers Revenue and Expenditures – regulatory basis – for the month ended January 31st, 2011 \$ 36,407.00 **TOTAL REVENUES** -\$15.215.52 LESS: TOTAL ALLOWABLE EXPENSES LESS: TOTAL STATE GAMBLING TAX -\$14.913.59 **EXCESS REVENUES OVER EXPENSES** \$6.277.89 LESS: TOTAL LAWFUL PURPOSE EXPENDITURES -\$ 0.00 REVENUE OVER <UNDER> \$ 6.277.89 \$76,630.12 PROFIT CARRYOVER THIS MONTH:

Buffalo Youth Hockey Association

BYHA's Schedule of Events

- > HOC Meeting April 10, 2011
- > BYHA Board Meeting April 13, 2011 7:00 PM

GAMBLING OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT BYHA

- ◆ Buffalo Bar & Grill —
 Bingo Monday 7:00p—9:00p
 Pull Tabs
 Meat Raffle: Thursday's @
 5:30p and Sunday's @ 4:30p
- J's Down Under —
 Meat Raffle: Wednesday's &
 Sundays 5:30p

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February Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM

President's Report:

USA Hockey has a rules proposal to eliminate open ice checking until bantams. The rule would still allow rub outs in squirts as long as kids were not trying to knock kids down. Steve referenced a letter he read following a study regarding checking issues in Canada. The medical profession is saying we need to increase training at the lower levels in regards to checking.

14UB State Tournament will be held in Buffalo March 18th-20th. The tournament should make roughly \$3500 if things go well.

There was a miscommunication with D5 regarding working the clock for all District games. We did not think we needed to supply volunteers and found out at the last minute that we did need to supply volunteers. Everything got done and it didn't turn out that bad. Thanks to all that pitched in and helped!

The Alexandria Blizzard will be playing on the 13^{th} . Have kids try to set up an event on facebook and forward to your friends. Will have chuck a puck between 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} period. We will be splitting the bar 50/50 with JCs and will split the gate with Blizzard 20/80.

On behalf of Hockey Mom Lanea Lebaron we received a check from Grayco in the amount of \$1000 to go towards our "One Goal Program".

Mike O'Neill is resigning from the board due to the fact that he will no longer have a child playing at the youth level. His seat will be up for one year. Cheryl Zitur, Mark Worner and Bill Anderson's positions are also up.

We currently have four names to fill positions. David Nylander, Bill Anderson, Cindy Loch and John Goughan. Cheryl Zitur is trying to find someone to fill her position. She would like to work someone into the position over the course of one year by possibly holding Mike O'Neill's one year post to help with the transition. There has been some interest by a few people to shadow Cheryl over the course of a year to learn the position. The Treasurer position really needs to be broken up where we can share some of the many responsibilities into different groups.

Registration Report: No Report

Treasurer Report:

"Ice Out" party is set to go and will include a presentation naming board members and the big drawing will begin at 9pm. As of this meeting we still had 20 some people that have not sent in tickets. Calls will be made to see if we can get close to 100% participation. Turn tickets into the billing box.

We currently have \$245,000 in the bank, \$200,000 after bills. The "Ice Out" currently has \$44,000 in raffle funds which should lead to a nice

"Ice Out" Winners

\$5000 Jordan Baker sold by

Tristan Baker.

\$2500 Patty Landsberger

\$1500 Susie Kalmi sold by Allison

Swartzer

\$1200 Karisa Vanderkooi

\$1000 Sandi Alexander

\$1000 Colleen Kastel sold by Dale

Hoepner

\$750 Patty Landsberger

\$500 Deb Officer

\$250 Grant Limke

\$250 Kari Maagard

\$100 Dann Nunn, Paul Heyerdahl,

Sara Otkin and Vince Peterson

profit again this year.

12UA were eliminated right away in district play and received a \$500 refund. The refund was split evenly between each skater.

Secretary Report:

Motion was made to approve February minutes. Motion was passed.

Tournament Report:

Squirt tournament went really well this year with people leaving very happy with the way everything was run. Thank you to all tournament managers!

We are still in need of a Tournament Coordinator.

Manager Report:

We are in need of someone to take over the Manager Coordinator position.

GOAL Report:

Stephanie Golden sent out quidelines to all association members.

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Equipment Report:

Free jersey opportunity is available this year like last year. We did receive jersey's last year so we may have hard time receiving again this year.

Jersey return...looking for managers to coordinate drop off times with Joe. Managers please contact Joe Prince.

One Goal program...people need to return equipment or checks will be cashed. Joe will set up drop off date for all equipment.

One Goal equipment has been ordered for next year.

Volunteer Report: No Report

Metro Report: No report.

Hockey Operations Report:

No HOC meeting in March. Working on process for coaches evaluation.

Mark Worner did bring up the idea of coaches pay. Ed Roethke brought up several points regarding gearing our hockey towards being community based. Let's get the kids in the stands on nights of High School games. We need to work and promote an environment where we support all levels of hockey. Maybe we need to hire a player development person to oversee all coaches and have a unified plan and be consistent throughout the system. We have created a good model but need to commit to our ideas. Maybe we need to talk with Cory Laylin and ask what will it take to have him take over our player development.

We will discuss further with plans to have a HOC/Board meeting sometime in May.

Sponsor Report: No Report

New Business: .

We are in need of someone to be in charge of the Buffalo Day Parade. Derek Gale had someone in mind and will contact. Please contact a board member if you have any interest.

Old Business:

We reached our goal of \$2300 to facilitate upgrading the sound

system in the Peterson Arena. The project will require half down with the remainder due on completion.

The breakdown of money is as follows:

BYHA - \$750

City of Buffalo - \$550

Figure Skating Club - \$250

BHS - \$500

Boy's Boosters - \$250

Marketing Report: No report

District 5 Report:

BYHA Board Meeting Adjourned at 8:27pm:

Present: Julie Prince, Steve Pearson, Derek Gale, Bill Anderson, Tim Morehouse, Ed Roethke, Chris Russett, Cory Carlson, Cindy Loch, Cheryl 7itur, Mark Worner, Rick Mueller

\$1000 Donation to "One Goal"

Thanks to the volunteer efforts of Linnea Labaron, the Grayco Foundation has donated \$1000 to BYHA and the "One Goal" program. Without the help of the "One Goal" program, Linnea and her daughter would have never enjoyed what turned out to be a wonderful year of hockey.

Thank you Linnea Lebaron and thank you Grayco!!

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2011 Board Nominees

Bill Anderson

My name is Bill Anderson and I am, again, putting my name on the upcoming board of director's ballot. I have been involved with BYHA for close to 15 years: as a coach, as a founding member of the hockey operations committee, and as a current member of the board of directors. I love Buffalo Youth Hockey Association and I look forward to helping any way I can in the future. This is one of the reasons why I am running again for a board of director's position.

When I was elected three years ago, the financial position of BYHA was in doubt. Some of that distress was due to the economy but some, unfortunately, was due to theft by a 'trusted' member of our association. Since then, however, we have made, as a board, difficult financial decisions. These decisions have turned around that financial standing and brought our association to a place where we, as a board, can better serve ALL of BYHA. Personal or family advancement has never been on my agenda - I want our association to be the best it can be.

I believe that success in any hockey association comes from, among other factors, increasing base numbers. If we can make hockey affordable for more families, even those families that are already a part of BYHA, we can expand on the success already achieved from our association. Training fads will come and go, but building our numbers is crucial to further success. Making hockey affordable is a huge piece of that success. Adding the financial positives of weekly BINGO and Meat raffles has certainly helped to turn around our financial position. I would love to be able to help continue those financial trends.

I promise, with your help, to make a serious effort to improve on the success BYHA already achieves and bring our association to a level that competes with other highly visible associations.

Cindy Loch

I have had a son in the BYHA program for the past 6 years. I also have been a team manager for mash leagues and this past year for the Squirt A team! I am currently active in volunteering at Hanover Elementary School and as well as running a business with my husband. I would like the opportunity to join the board of directors and to be able to help with making BYHA fun and a great experience for ALL of the kids!

Thanks!

David Nylander

I wish to run for the BYHA Board. Currently we have three kids in hockey: Mite, U12 and Peewee. I've helped coached or manage one or two teams every year and recently I decided to run to help out administratively. I understand the challenges BYHA has faced in previous years and look forward to helping the association going forward.

Cheryl Zitur

Cheryl Zitur is a current board member and Treasurer for BYHA. She has been nominated to fill out the remaining year left vacant by a current board member. The hope is that Cheryl will be able to help a new person make a smooth transition into becoming Treasurer.

Board of Directors					
Position	Name	Phone	Term Expires		
President	Steve Pearson	612.916.1161	April 2012		
Vice President	Cory Carlson	763.682.1593	April 2012		
Secretary	Chris Russett	763.443.5275	April 2012		
Treasurer	Cheryl Zitur	763.416.7139	April 2011		
Director	Mark Worner	763.497.3826	April 2011		
Director	Bill Anderson	763.682.9462	April 2011		
Director	Mike O'Neill	763.683.6409	April 2012		
Director	Tim Morehouse	763.498.8900	April 2013		
Director	Derek Gale	952.292.5375	April 2013		
Director	Joe Prince	763.331.5035	April 2013		
Director	Ed Roethke	920.427.2253	April 2013		

Hockey Operations Committee					
Position	Name	Phone	Term Expires		
HOC President	Shawn Oberg	763.477.5428	May 2012		
Director of Hockey	Jim Rooney		May 2011		
Coaching Coordinator	Mike MacMillan	612.247.0507	May 2011		
ACE/HEP & Asst. Coaching Coordinator	Scott Goodsmanson	763.682.5512	May 2011		
Player Development Coordinator	Brent Wittenberg		May 2012		
Tryout Coordinator	Gary Ramsey		May 2012		
Scheduling Director	Monica Kunkel				
Tournament Coordinator	Seth James				
Squirt Co-Coordinator	Eric Lindvall	763.497.3826	May 2011		
Squirt Co-Coordinator	Rick Mueller		May 2011		
Girls Coordinator	John Reynolds	612.325.0060	May 2011		
U8 Coordinator	Jim Newman		May 2012		
Boys HS Coach	Mike MacMillan	612.247.0507			
Girls HS Coach	Ray Dahlof	763.684.2079			
BYHA President	Steve Pearson	612.916.1161	April 2012		













	Volunteers	
Position	Name	Phone
D5 Rep	Mike Oneill	763.683.6409
Metro Rep	Jim Cooper	763.628.4684
Equipment Manager	Joe Prince	763.331.5035
Wreath Coordinator	Heidi Quiring	763.497.8476
Marketing Coordinator	Derek Gale	952.292.5375
Picture Coordinator	Kellie Martinson	763.682.7054
Purchasing Coordinator	Steve Pearson	612.916.1161
Registration Coordinator	Dan Rodelius	
	Kathy Rodelius	
G.O.A.L. Coordinator	Steph Golden	763.732.9868
Sponsor Coordinator	Kellie Martinson	
Initiation Level Team Manager Coordinator	Cathy Reller	763.497.9275
Squirt and Above Level Team Manager Coordinator:	Kari Magaard	763.477.4069
Tournament Coordinator	Seth James	
Volunteer Coordinator	Stephanie Kohnen	763.498.8574
Website Administrator	Shawn Oberg	763.477.5428
Billing Managers	Annie Aslesen (Billing)	763.682.6909
	Anne Morehouse (Deposits)	763.498-8900
	Joan McNamara (Cash Receipts) 763.682.2120	
Hall of Fame Committee Chair	Chris Bonnell	763.684.1366