

Bemidji Youth Hockey Association Regular Meeting

August 17, 2011

Lueken's Village North

Board Members Present: Tracy Pogue, Jill Andersen, Kevin Waldhausen, John Martens, Jana Norgaard, Cassie Maish

Board Members Absent: Mike Gregg

Age Group Reps Present: Brian & Lisa Schaefer-Mite 2, Vance Corrington-Mite 3, Irene Folstrom-Mite 4, Amy Tobey-10U, Nick Berg-Squirt,

Other Visitors: Kami Kelm, Richard Delahunt, Kristin Smith, Stephen Pfleger, Jari Hanson, Brian Hartje

BCA Board Members: Dan Dow, Clint Bruestle, Dale Thompson, Tom Forseth from the BCA Board.

Meeting called to order by President at 6:07 p.m.

A. Administrative & Financial Matters

1. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- a. Motion made by Kevin W. to approve July Minutes
- b. Second by John M., motion passed/carried

2. President's Report

- a. Age group Reps are still needed for the following: Bantams, PeeWee's, 12U, and Mite 1's.
- b. Scheduling Meeting will be either September 12th or 13th for the upcoming season.
- c. Pictures: We need to find a person who is willing to coordinate pictures for the start of Youth Hockey. This position will be awarded 15 DIBS. Picture Coordinator opportunity will be posted on the BYHA Website under DIBS.
- d. High School Boosters will be picking up ice during the month of October. These times will be scheduled after Youth Hockey's Schedule is made.

- e. IRS Update: The resolution by the IRS was signed today by the BYHA Board.
- f. The First City Classic Hockey Tourney is October 14 and 15. This is an open tournament for 18 and over hockey players. All proceeds will go to Bemidji Youth Hockey. For more information contact Cole at firstcityclassic@gmail.com. Early bird registration before September 10, 2011.
- g. \$400.00 will be set aside towards recruitment of kids for Youth Hockey. Looking into advertising on the radio. Ideas presented will be discussed later.
- h. Calendar: A change in rules with calendar has to be made due to the IRS rules. We are not able to sell more than the designated amount of calendars due to the IRS rules. This change will need to take place immediately.

3. Treasurer Report

- a. Budget/Treasury Report presented and reviewed by Board.
- b. We will change the way we pay people. Anyone who is considered a “salary” person will need to be W2. This will take place this year. Refs will continue to be 1099. Dane Jones advised us of this due to the IRS rules.
- c. We need to look at options for this upcoming hockey season for payroll. Shannon’s Tax & Consulting service has submitted a proposal for payroll services. Payroll Services will include monthly payroll, Quarterly payroll forms, Worker’s Comp reports and annual payroll forms. Payroll Services will be \$100/month.
- d. Motion made by Jill A. to accept Report and hire Shannon’s Tax & Consulting Services as presented, 2nd by Kevin W., motion passed/carried.

4. Concessions

- a. Concession Manager position for the 2011-2012 season contract has been made and approved.
- b. A pizza oven needs to be fixed at the rink.

- c. Concessions will start during the first week of October for BYHA Fall Hockey. The rest of the season will start in November.
- d. We will be checking with City Rink to see about Super 8 games and if we need concessions opened during that time.

5. *Registration*

- a. Registration is taking place and so far 36 people have signed up. If you would like your child to play October hockey registration needs to be completed by then.
- b. The first 24 NEW skaters to register will receive a bag with equipment to use. The two items the skaters will need to purchase is skates and a stick.

6. *Grievance* None

7. *Policy and Procedure* None

B. Hockey Matters

1. *EMT'S* –None

2. *Equipment*

- a. Equipment bags for new skaters are ready to go. We have 25 bags ready to distribute to the first 25 NEW players to register. There will be a \$100 deposit required and will be returned at the end of the season when equipment is returned.
- b. Jerseys will be ordered for Bantam B's this year.
- c. Sponsors need to be found for Teams this year.

3. *HDC*

- a. Bob Brink is named the new BHS girls hockey coach. He will join BYHA HDC and head up the girls program.
- b. Head Coaches for the 2011-2012 Season as of today are:
Bantam A – Bob Fitzgerald
Bantam B – Jeff Carr
PeeWee A – Neil Huewe
PWB's – TBD
SQ's – Chris Justice is coordinator and coaches will be placed post tryouts.

14U No team this year JV
12U – Keith Huerd
10U – TBD
Mites/8U TBD

- c. Bryan Grand is trying to coordinate his Monday Nights Clinics again. More information later.
- d. BYHA night at BHS Practices – A night is to be scheduled where the high school teams practice and the BYHA kids would attend the HS practice. Possible pizza party after practice.
- e. Upcoming HDC Meetings: Sept 11th 7PM Kuesel Law Office – Downtown Bemidji
- f. Scott Andersen and Coach Chiodo are working on a practice schedule for both BHS and BYHA.

4. *Referee's* - None

5. *Tournaments*

- a. Tournaments are now online for teams to attend BYH hosted tournaments. 18 teams have registered so far.

6. *Other Hockey Items*

- a. Stephen Pflieger has spoke with Ken K. Thompson about awards this year. He will be doing all of the ordering.

C. Marketing

1. *Banquet*

- a. Vance Corrington and Cassie Maish will be planning the end of the year banquet this year. A few donations have been brought in.

2. *Calendar*

- a. Work has started on the calendar for the Calendar Sales this season. In need of coupons for the calendar from our sponsors.
- b. Calendars will be ready to hand out by the end of October.

- c. A rough print of the calendar cover for this year has been designed. Pictures for the months will be delivered soon.

3. *DIBS*

- a. Dib Requirements will be included with registration this year. Mites will have 25 DIBS to complete and all other Age Groups will have 40 DIBS.
- b. Looking for a Picture Coordinator for 15 DIBS. This person would be responsible for scheduling pictures, working picture night, coordinating volunteers, and sorting pictures when they come in.
- c. Looking for an assistant DIBS coordinator. This person would be responsible for posting schedules online, running schedules and coordinating volunteers.

4. *Marketing Committee*

- a. The Marketing Committee is always looking for new ideas and resources for selling packages to perspective sponsors.
- b. Contact Clint Bruestle to help out.

5. *Mite Recruiter and New Skaters*

- a. Free Skate sessions will be offered again this year to have first year skaters try out hockey.
- b. 4 Free Skate sessions will be offered this year in October for perspective new Hockey Players.
- c. 25 Equipment bags are available for the first 25 NEW skaters who register for hockey.
- d. BYHA will participate in Bemidji State Appreciation on August 25th to promote BYHA.
- e. September 10, 2011 BYHA will have a table at the mall promoting hockey and hockey recruitment. We would like to get some High School Players there as well promoting the sport.
- f. If anyone has ideas, contacts or would be willing to help for new player recruitment please contact Vance Corrington at vance@paulbunyan.net.

6. *Pictures*

- a.** We are looking for a person who would like to be the coordinator for pictures this year. Please contact Jana Norgaard if you would be interested in this job. 15 DIBS will be awarded.

7. *Website* - None

8. *Other Marketing items* – None

D. *BCA*

1. *BCA Board Meeting*

- a.** BCA Board came to the Board Meeting to present the Building Capital Improvements. The BCA board has identified a limited scope of work to be completed at the BCA this late summer.
- b.** There will be 3 main work objectives for the rink:
 - (1)** Complete all work in the BYHA locker rooms including rubber flooring, benches, shelving, hooks, etc.
 - (2)** Complete minor structural additions and revisions to the mezzanine and complete the mezzanine floor topping. The mezzanine will NOT be able to be occupied after this work, but it is significant progress.
 - (3)** Complete the drywall at the east mezzanine edge. The wall is required to allow advertising signage to be installed on the east end of the arena.
- c.** Money for this project will come from the following sources: PBIHT Contribution of \$10,000, Capital Improvements Budget of \$25,000, Donation from a private source \$10,000, business donation \$4,000. The amount that needs to be loaned out is approximately \$186,000. This money will be paid back using the Marketing campaign and advertising that takes place at the Bemidji Community Arena.
- d.** This project will be completed before October Hockey begins. Motion made by Jana N. to approve the BCA Building Capital Improvement plan as presented. Second by John M. The vote passed unanimously.

2. Other BCA items - none

E. Adjournment

Motion made by Jill Andersen to adjourn meeting, 2nd by John Martens, motion passed/carried.
Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

F. Next Board Meeting

September 21 , 2011 at Lueken's Village North at 6:00 p.m.
Please attend and get involved in BYHA!