

Bison Blueline

HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM BYHA

\$100 Credit towards January ice bills for all traveling team skaters current on payments as of December 24th

COLLEGE HOCKEY NIGHT - JAN. 7TH

Help needed for this event!!! Check DIBS for opportunities.

GAMBLING REPORT

Julie Prince, after conversations with Treasurer Cheryl Zitur proposed that gambling provide a \$100 credit towards the January ice bill for all traveling level skaters in good standing as of December 24th. A motion will need to be made during regular meeting for approval (see treasurer report).

Revenues for the current period were at \$1610 which is low due to expenses from taxes and annual audit bill.

Gambling is currently operating in a positive position for the first time in years so we are starting to pay income tax.

Steve Pearson received a letter from the state informing BYHA that gambling has done a good job in our current compliance review.

Request was made for \$34,250 to cover December expenses. Motion was approved.

Gambling Numbers

Revenue and Expenditures – regulatory basis – for the month ended October 31st, 2011

Total Revenues	\$ 29,180.50
Less: Total Allowable Expenses	-\$ 19,605.17
Less: Total State Gambling Tax	-\$ 7,964.79
Excess Revenues over Expenses	\$ 1,610.54
Less: Total Lawful Purpose Expenditures	-\$ 0.00
Revenue Over <Under>	\$ 1,610.54
Profit Carryover this Month:	\$106,108.43

Buffalo Youth Hockey Association

BYHA's Schedule of Events

- > HOC Meeting
January 8th, 2012
- > BYHA Board Meeting
January 11th, 2012
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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December Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

President's Report:

We need someone from the board to be the liaison between the Twins and BYHA for Twins fundraising opportunities. Bill Anderson volunteered for the position and will be in charge of organizing the schedule for working Twins games. We also need someone to take over the organization of the college game in January. We provide a hospitality room, cover home team bus and after game team meals. We also need to start finding people to volunteer for tournaments and fundraisers if we want to continue to subsidize our skaters. Tournaments are great money makers for the association and we can't afford to lose out on these opportunities.

Pictures are done and most have been delivered. A team picture banner will be put up on the east wall of the lobby by the entrance to Peterson Arena. A 3' tall x 5.5' wide frame with plastic cover to protect the banner will contain the traveling teams on one side and the Mite and Mini Mite teams on the other. The banner is free from SportStar but the frame is quoted at \$369. We will be able to reuse this frame in the future.

A motion was made to approve \$369 for framing for team posters in lobby. Motion was approved.

Steve Pearson talked with Lee Ryan regarding the need for new white boards in the rink. Lee has ordered and they should arrive in the near future.

Steve received a check for a little over \$28,000 from the insurance company relating to the Jernberg case. With the roughly \$17,000 we received earlier in the year, that brings the current total received to a little over \$45,000. There is still a chance that we could receive an additional \$15,000.

Registration Report:

Reports show that Junior Gold numbers are up this year and looking forward to another good year.

Treasurer Report:

We currently have a balance of \$282,285.80 after paying our monthly ice bill. All raffle tickets have been distributed. We are still looking for someone to take over the Treasurer position.

HELP WANTED!!!

BYHA Treasurer Needed

Bingo Event Coordinator

Picture Coordinator

Fundraising Coordinator

Joe Prince mentioned that the two positions that may need to be compensated in the future would be President and Treasurer. More discussion will take place regarding compensation for these two positions.

Cheryl and Julie Prince have discussed that gambling provide the funds to offer a \$100 credit on the January ice bill for all traveling skaters who are current on their bill. To qualify, you would need to be current on your bills by December 24th to take advantage of this credit.

A motion was made for up to \$20,800 to credit all traveling skaters \$100 on their January ice bill if they are current on their account as of December 24th. Motion was approved.

We need people to step up and take care of jobs for the college hockey game. Cheryl handed out a sheet with jobs that need to be done. We need all hands on deck so please help out if you have time. Please contact a board member if interested.

Cheryl also received a bill from MinnTech and doesn't know what this is for. This bill has not been paid and all transactions need to be run through the treasurer before they will be approved.

Secretary Report:

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

Tournament Report:

Deb Lee updated the board on tournaments. The PeeWee C tournament is full and the PeeWee B has 7 of the 8 slots filled. Thinking of maybe waiving the entry fee but charge the gate fee

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for an 8th team. Lorraine Lambrecht has volunteered to make the roster labels for the tournament and Deb is ordering the trophies.

We received lots of positive feedback from the girl's tournament. There were a couple complaints about dirty locker rooms. The Princeton coach wants to try to get out of our Squirt B tournament. They played in a tournament a few weeks ago and evidently beat up on most of the teams that will be in our tournament. They will have to find their own replacement if they want to get out.

We made \$777 at the women's college hockey game. Bill Anderson mentioned that it would have been nice if the boy's game wouldn't have taken place during the girl's weekend but we had no control over the schedule.

REMINDER: St. Johns University is playing a game in Buffalo on January 7th. We need volunteers to help with this event. Please check DIBS for volunteer opportunities.

Manager Report:

Everything is going well with all managers. Please contact Deb Carlson with any questions or reference the Managers Corner on the website.

GOAL Report:

No report.

Fundraising Report:

No Report

Equipment Report:

Uniforms are all done. Goalie equipment at mite level may be short one set but one goalie may be using personal gear. We received hockey boards for the home side of hockey benches. Wooden stick handling balls will be left in the tote or a locker to use for dryland area. Pucks are gone and we will not order more. Maybe we need to start marking pucks. We just got 100

pucks so we will only give out to keep puck bags filled and use for tournaments. Everything else in the equipment room is done.

Volunteer Report:

No Report.

Metro Report:

No Report.

Hockey Operations Report:

Recently a PeeWee coached asked our scheduler to remove their PeeWee team from roughly 11 hours of indoor ice time and asked that the cost savings be passed on to the team. The coach then added over 20 hours of outdoor ice to the team schedule resulting in a net gain of ice time for his team. Some of the indoor ice time that was trying to be removed was for the Monday night clinics and some of the ice was regular practice ice.

Our scheduler was not comfortable canceling this ice without Board approval since doing so would have budgetary consequences on other teams and on the building fund. (Based upon how the building fund is calculated) It became apparent that the Board needed to discuss this matter and make a decision. We did just that at tonight's board meeting.

At the beginning of the year a budget is prepared and all parents are given projected costs for each level of play. These costs are based upon numerous factors including the number of teams we would have, number of players on each team, number of hours each team/player would be on the ice, etc. At the beginning of the year the parents are told that the published projected ice fees are the worst case scenario and that it is possible, if not likely, that the actual fees would be less than projected.

It is not unusual for teams to swap out practice times and dates, an hour here for an hour there is normal. If a team cannot make a "lone" practice on a given day and they can't find another team to take it they may cancel provided that it is outside of the 10 day window required by the City. At the end of the year the "actual" ice used by a team is calculated and the final bill is prepared accordingly.

The problem: if a team cancels a clinic or practice that they had been scheduled for, they pass on the cost of that ice to the team or teams that they were supposed to share the ice with.

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If there is a joint practice or clinic between 2 teams and 1 team opts out, this passes the cost of that hour or hour and 1/2 to the other team which would increase that team's fees for that night by 50%.

We discussed this as a Board and with the HOC. Here is the decision that was arrived at unanimously by the Board for all BYHA teams:

- If a team is scheduled for a clinic and they choose not to attend for any reason that is fine. However, the team will still be billed for the ice time.
- If a team is scheduled for a joint practice and they choose not to attend, they must get approval from the other team to cover the cost of the ice alone, or find another team to share the ice.
- If they can't get approval or can't find another team to take their place they can still skip the practice but they will be billed for the ice as though they skated.
- If a team has alone ice and they want to skip it they must find another team to take the ice and pay for it. If they can't find another team, they may turn the ice back to the City provided that they do so outside of the 10 day window. If there are less than 10 days before the practice when the team tries to turn the ice back in, the team will still be billed for the ice.
- If the team turns the ice in outside of the 10 days, they will not be billed and they will save the money for the ice time that they would have been billed.

This policy affects all BYHA traveling teams. All members at the meeting felt that this was the most reasonable approach to this issue.

HOC conducted a mid season evaluation of the EuroAmerican clinics and have decided to run in house clinics for the month of January. This by no means ends our relationship with EuroAmerican and we will continue to work together in the development of our kids.

It was also brought to our attention that the PeeWee B1 team has had difficulty finding much in district competition so far this season.

Sponsor Report:

No report.

New Business:

There has been talk of officials at certain levels not doing a good job. Steve Pearson sent a letter to the head of officials pertaining to a particular officials conduct during a Bantam level game.

Old Business:

Steve talked with a representative of Hanover Athletic offering the services of our outdoor Zamboni to resurface Hanover's city rink when needed. The gesture was met with mixed results. There was discussion that if a recreational league was ever formed, Hanover may be interested in hosting some outdoor games.

Marketing Report:

No report.

District 5 Report:

There was discussion of the reconfiguration of some of the A, B and C teams within the district. There are associations that are struggling with the fact that they need to form an A team without having the talent to field an A quality team.

There has also been a disturbing increase in the amount of fighting so far this season.

Link below for complete D5 meeting minutes:

<http://district5.pucksystems2.com/page/show/14765-meeting-minutes>

BYHA Board Meeting Adjourned at 8:09pm:

Present: Steve Pearson, Julie Prince, Deb Lee, Joe Prince, David Nylander, Cheryl Zitursky, Tim Morehouse, Cory Carlson, Derek Gale, Bill Anderson, Chris Russett, Shawn Oberg, Brent Wittenberg

Board of Directors

Position	Name	Phone	Term Expires
President	Steve Pearson	612.916.1161	April 2012
Vice President	Cory Carlson	763.232.6494	April 2012
Secretary	Chris Russett	763.443.5275	April 2012
Treasurer	Cheryl Zitur	763.416.7139	April 2012
Director	Cindy Loch		April 2014
Director	Bill Anderson	763.682.9462	April 2014
Director	David Nylander	612.669.1332	April 2014
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
ACE/HEP & Asst. Coaching Coordinator	Eric Lindvall	763.497.3826	May 2012
Player Development Coordinator	Brent Wittenberg	612.940.4067	May 2012
Tryout Coordinator	Gary Ramsey		May 2012
Scheduling Director	Monica Kunkel		
Away Tournament Coordinator	Seth James		
Squirt Coordinator	Rick Mueller	612.860.5797	May 2012
Girls Coordinator	John Reynolds	612.325.0060	May 2012
U8 Coordinator	Jim Newman		May 2012
Boys HS Coach	Jason Fairman		
Girls HS Coach	Ray Dahlof	763.684.2079	
BYHA President	Steve Pearson	612.916.1161	April 2012



Volunteers		
Position	Name	Phone
D5 Rep	Eric Lindvall	
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		
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		
Initiation Level Team Manager Coordinator	Stephanie Kohnen	763.248.1836
Squirt and Above Level Team Manager Coordinator:	Deb Carlson	
Home Tournament Coordinator	Deb Lee	
Volunteer Coordinator	Stephanie Kohnen	763.248.1836
Website Administrator	Shawn Oberg	763.477.5428
Billing Managers	Annie Aslesen (Billing)	763.682.6909
	Sherry Englund (Deposits)	
	Joan McNamara (Cash Receipts)	763.682.2120
Hall of Fame Committee Chair	Chris Bonnell	763.684.1366