

**Bismarck Hockey Boosters
General Membership Agenda
Monday, April 9, 2012
6:30 PM VFW Arena**

Members Present: T.J. Stewart, Brian Beehler, Peggy Hill, Ken Bischof, Jason Fetch, Steve Grom, Rob Deics, Jason Fischer, Bill, Curt, Bruce Kasper, Joel Roloff, Mitch Vig, Glenn Pladsen

Call to order

I. Introduction of Board Members

II. 2011-2012 Season Review

Bismarck Hockey Boosters has documented 499 members. We are 3rd in the state.

Our Bismarck teams did well. The Bantam teams took the State A1, A2, and A3 championships.

We are starting the process of working with Bismarck Park & Rec to get more ice for our program. If anyone is interested in helping with this process, please contact one of the Board members.

Kevin Glatt was our referee coordinator for several years. He resigned this past season and Jeff Ball has taken over this position.

Thank you to all of our volunteers for helping and supporting our club.

BHB has been in the black for the last couple of years mainly due to our Gun Raffle. The committee members are Bruce Hill, Troy Sigette, and Dan Ruff. If anyone is interested in helping on this committee please let one of these guys know. Thanks to John Evanson at Dakota Community Bank. He had a large part in getting this raffle started.

a. Financial Report

Bruce Kasper gave an overview of the season. We are about \$25,000 in the negative without the gun raffle monies. We have \$60K in CDs at Dakota Comm. We should receive about \$60,000 from the gun raffle. Bruce is hoping to have a preliminary budget ready in July. If there are any questions regarding the finances, Bruce asked that you call him.

b. Summary of Season by level

Jason Fetch discussed the girls' level. We had a 13U level for the first time. The 19U level placed 3rd at state. The 13U placed 4th in State. We have 2 10U teams. It was a good season.

Mitch Vig went over the Red Mite level. They started with 96 mites. It is important for us to be positive ambassadors for our new players. The rental program has also been very successful. The Red Mite Roundup a couple of weeks ago was a big success. Mitch Vig wanted to recognize the on-ice coordinator Tanner Blair and Dave Schlafman. They did an awesome job this season. They worked with the USA Hockey model and the kids were always moving.

Steve Grom talked about the White Mite coordinator. We had a lot of movement and there should be a lot of Blue Mites next year. Brad Cashman did an awesome job as the on-ice coordinator. A special thanks needs to go to Loralyn Joyce for all her help with this level.

Bill Curl is the Blue Mite coordinator. They took the top 44 kids and they developed their skills. Only 14 will be back next year. Janet Bossort was a great help with the program. It was a good year.

Rob Deics spoke on the Squirt Program. Joel Roloff helped with this level as well. They split up the Squirts in to 2 tiers this year. Rob said it was a huge success. The kids were able to develop their skill at their level. In Tier 2, the focus was skill development. In Tier 1, they tried to challenge the kids. They used the USA ADM Model. It was a successful season. Thanks also to the parents for your support.

Jason Fischer discussed the PeeWee level. We had 5 PeeWee teams. We had 2 A and 3 B teams. We wanted to keep the size of the teams down. The PeeWee B teams went 1, 2, and 3 in their division. The PeeWee A finished 2nd and 3rd in their division. The BHB PeeWee B Tournament in December had a lot of Canadian teams and they were pleased with our tourney.

Russ Smith is the Bantam Off-ice Coordinator. This year started a little rocky. This year we waited to make the teams until after the HS tryout. Moving forward we are going back to the way it used to be. We are going to put more financial emphasis on the parents. If kids choose to move on to HS there will be a financial payment. We are still working on the details. They brought home 3 state championships.

c. Program Director Report

Tom Bushaw is our program director. He is in charge of the coaches and scheduling. He did exit interviews for the coaches this year. We worked on the competitive level focus and using the principals of USA hockey. We also tried to work on making hockey fun for the mites. We want to keep the kids coming back. The tiering of the Squirts was a successful move to help work on the individual needs of the players. We are working on the Summer Hockey Schedule. We are putting together a Concussion Policy so we know how to treat this as an organization. One problem is finding quality coaches. Some don't like parent coaches because of the politics but they have a lot of experience. Others don't like the non-parent coaches because they are not experienced. This is a challenge for our program. We want coaches who will teach the best. For next year, we want to find a base of knowledge for each level so when they get to HS

we know that they have been taught certain skills. Tom said possibly we could have him come when we have 2 sheets of ice. Last year there were kids who wanted to participate but the sessions were full.

III. Elections

Current President, TJ Stewart, will assume the role of Past President. Current President -Elect, Glenn Pladsen, will become the new BHB President.

We will ask for nominations from the floor. If a position is not filled today, we will nominate someone. That person will not go out to the general membership to be voted on. The Board will vote on that member.

There were no nominations for the President –Elect.

For First Vice-President, Joel Roloff is on the ballot. There were no other nominations.

For the Second Vice-President, there were no nominations from the floor.

For the Secretary position, Laurie Schaffer is on the ballot. No nominations from the floor.

Members at Large: There are 4 members at large on the ballot. Bill Curl, Scott Eide, Todd Flicek, Russ Smith. There were no nominations from the floor.

All in favor of the people on the ballot please designate by stating aye. Motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Brian Beehler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Second by Peggy Hill. Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Hill, Secretary