

# Bison Blueline

BYHA Newsletter - October 2012



## GAMBLING

Julie Prince provided a monthly report for August gambling numbers. A full report of the monthly numbers is on file for review. A request for was made for \$29,000 to cover the October gambling expenses. A motion to approve this request was made by Stephanie Kohnen and seconded by Eric Poncius. Motion approved.

Julie also reviewed graphs provided to us by the accounting firm. The graphs compare profits, expenses and donations between the years 2008 and 2012. Gambling was able to donate \$139,000 back to BYHA in 2012 compared to \$60,000 in 2008. Continue to support our local gambling!

## GAMBLING NUMBERS

Revenue and Expenditures – regulatory basis – for the month ended July 2012.

Total Revenues	\$33,820.00
Less: Total Allowable Expenses	\$13,066.96
Less: Total State Gambling Tax	\$3,226.00
Excess Revenues over Expenses	\$20,753.04
Less: Total Lawful Purpose Expenditures	\$28,351.00
Revenue: Over (Under)	(\$7,597.96)
Profit Carryover This Month	\$106,096.70

### EVENT SCHEDULE

#### **HOC MEETING -**

Sunday November 11th @  
7:00 PM

#### **BYHA BOARD MEETING -**

Wednesday November 14th @  
7:00 PM

### GAMBLING

#### **BUFFALO BAR & GRILL -**

Bingo Monday 7:00pm -  
9:00pm

Pull Tabs

Meat Raffle: Thursday @  
5:30pm & Sunday @ 4:30pm

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Meat Raffle: Wednesday &

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## Meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m.

### President's Report:

The gambling report is a positive sign, with the addition of Bingo and meat raffles in the past year, we have seen increased donations which will continue to aide in keeping costs at a reasonable rate. Hats off to Blake palmer and all the parents that helped make the golf tournament a success. We have an opportunity for increased fundraising through advertising spots at the rink. Jim Diorio with the assistance of Lee Ryan have developed a program to mail out to potential clients. Away tournaments have been scheduled and our in house tournaments are beginning to fill. We need to make a decision in our next meeting about potentially cancelling the Pee wee C in house tournament. Since we are not seeding a team at that level and there are only 3 teams registered, there's a good chance of only hosting the Pewee B & U10 levels. Many of my other notes are in old and new business.

### Treasurer Report:

The balance in our account is \$295,773.00. We are still waiting for ice bills for September and from the EuroAmerican summer camp. Ice bills have been sent out. PLEASE pay your bills promptly. We do have three volunteers to assist Kris with monthly statements and deposits.

### Secretary Report:

Motion was made by Stephanie Kohnen and seconded by Blake Palmer to approve the September minutes. Motion was approved. Meeting minutes are posted on the BYHA website under newsletters.

### Registration Report:

No Report.

### Tournament Report:

The in-house tournament coordinator is Koren Swenson. Registration for our home tournaments is open. The U14 A and PeeWee B tournaments are full but we still have openings for U10 A and B, U12A, Squirt C, PeeWee C, and Junior Gold.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

- \*A person with marketing experience to assist with Sponsorship.
- \*Retention and Recruitment Coordinator

ICE BILLS have been sent.

PLEASE remit payment ASAP.

### Manager Report:

No Report.

### GOAL Report:

No Report.

### Fundraising Report:

Blake Palmer provided a summary on the annual golf tournament that was held September 30th. We were able to fill 20 holes with foursomes. We also had 20 different sponsors. The net profit was \$6500. High school hockey players assisted with some of the extra games out on the course. Blake will keep a list of recommendations for next years event.

### Equipment Report:

Eric Poncius reported that all the jerseys should be in and ready by MEA weekend. Each team manager will be asked to create a spreadsheet for their team with the player name and corresponding jersey number. The old equipment will be boxed up for storage. We are waiting for two more sets of goalie equipment from Pro-hybrid. Eric will check our current chest protectors to make sure they provide adequate coverage. At the mite level we will also need to check the current gear and make sure that it includes neck protection. There will be socks available for

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tryouts for any player who does not have Buffalo colored socks with them.

### **Volunteer Report:**

Check the back page of the newsletter for any openings and contact the volunteer coordinator if you wish to fill one of them.

### **Metro Report:** No Report

### **Sponsorship:**

Jim DiOrio is the chair for sponsorship and provided an update to the board. The rough draft for implementation of new sponsorship opportunities is done and the final will be available soon. Jim is looking for somebody with marketing experience who would be able to help him follow-up with potential sponsors. A request will be made for DIBS hours for this position. Sponsor ads will be done in both rinks with boards and banners. It was suggested that Jim ask Royal Printing to be a sponsor and donate the printing of materials needed.

### **Hockey Operations Report:**

Shawn Oberg provided the HOC report. HOC is currently working with the ice scheduler to keep mite and mini-mite ice times as early as possible. The high school has also given back some time at the end of their practices which will help. The recommendation has been made to have EuroAmerican, or a similar group, give some preseason clinics for the mites. The overall feedback for Euro and Pro-hybrid clinics this year was very good.

Squirts have had parent and coaches meetings. HOC is recommending Dave Carrothers as the Squirt A coach. This motion to approve this recommendation was made by Jim DiOrio and seconded by Stephanie Kohnen. Motion approved.

The HOC is recommending that we only 2 Bantam teams this year. Some of the players are trying out for the JV team. Team numbers will be balanced after we know how many kids move up from the A team. There will be no move ups from the PeeWee level because we already have two very large teams. The 14A team has lost two players, but still have 28 skaters and two goalies. We will

move 4 mites girls up to the U10 level following try-outs to allow for the formation of a U10 A and B team.

Girl's hockey registration numbers are down statewide. We are planning a Girl's Hockey Fun Day October 14th. This event will be focused on retaining and recruiting girls U12 and under.

D4/D5 will be combined this year so there will be more travel for PeeWee A and Bantam A teams.

There is a new physical education teacher in the Buffalo school district that will be assisting the high school coaching staff this season. He has been authorized by his supervisors to promote youth hockey in the schools. HOC is looking for recommendations in how to best utilize this opportunity.

### **Old Business:**

Scott Godmanson had approached BYHA previously with an opportunity for fundraising through a GMAC program. There would be 2000 total tickets available, but we don't know what discounted items Ryan Chevrolet will print on the back. We would need to determine how to sell them and what the price would be. We are still waiting for more details. One problem is that the grand prize for the drawing is a WILD game experience and the NHL is currently still in a lock-out.

### **Marketing Report:**

No Report.

### **District 5 Report**

No Report.

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### New Business

Eric Lindvall was at the meeting to present the board with the recommendations for those coaching positions that remain open. He is recommending Shawn Oberg and Brett Wittenberg as co-head coaches of the PeeWee A team. There was discussion on the process of how coaches are chosen and what happens if the board disagrees on the recommendations made. The idea of not choosing coaches at any level until try-outs are complete was also a topic of discussion. These are all areas that we will continue to look at as a board with possible recommendations for change for future hockey seasons. A motion was made by Jim DiOrio and seconded by Stephanie Kohnen to not allow co-head coaches. Motion approved 6:2. Another motion was made to approve Shawn Oberg as the PeeWee A coach, with the stipulation that his son made that team following try-outs. This motion was made by Jim DiOrio and seconded by Ed Roethke. Motion approved.

Jamie Stevens was recommended as the U10A coach. A motion was made by Jim DiOrio and seconded by Stephanie Kohnen to approve this recommendation.

No Bantam coaching recommendation was made at this meeting, but the board held a special session on Oct 13 at 12:00 to approve the nomination of Jim Rooney as the Bantam A coach with Steve Pearson as his assistant. Vote was 7-1 in favor of this recommendation.

Jim DiOrio made a request that the board members have training on the roles and responsibilities of HOC versus the board so that we can be better informed and make educated decisions. Many board members feel that this may be helpful in communicating more effectively with HOC. Ultimately the goal is to work together with a proper checks and balance system that will benefit all youth in the Buffalo youth hockey program. We have a lot of new board members and we all need to develop a better understanding of the process and roles that exist between the board and HOC.

### Adjourn

The motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 was made by Stephanie Kohnen and seconded by Eric Poncius.



## Board of Directors

Position	Name	Phone	Term Expires
President	Joe Prince	763.331.5035	April 2013
Vice President	Stephanie Kohnen	763.248.1836	April 2015
Secretary	Sally O'Borsky	763.682.3195	April 2015
Treasurer	Kris Holthaus	763.227.3798	April 2015
Director	Ed Roethke	920.427.2253	April 2013
Director	Bill Anderson	763.682.9462	April 2014
Director	David Nylander	612.669.1332	April 2014
Director	Blake Palmer	763.428.9989	April 2015
Director	Erik Poncius	612.554.7353	April 2015
Director	Jim DiOrio	612.366.1627	April 2015

## Hockey Operations Committee

Position	Name	Phone	Term Expires
HOC President	Shawn Oberg	763.477.5428	May 2013
ACE/HEP & Asst. Coaching Coordinator	Eric Lindvall	763.497.3826	May 2013
Player Development Coordinator	Brent Wittenberg	612.940.4067	May 2013
Tryout Coordinator	David Nylander		May 2013
Scheduling Director	Monica Kunkel		May 2013
Away Tournament Coordinator	Seth James		
Squirt Coordinator	Rick Mueller	612.860.5797	May 2013
Girls Coordinator	John Reynolds	612.325.0060	May 2013
U8 Coordinator	Brad Rassmussen		May 2013
Boys HS Coach	Jason Fairman		
Girls HS Coach	Ray Dahlof	763.684.2079	
BYHA President	Joe Prince	763.331.5035	April 2013



## Volunteers

Position	Name	Phone
D5 Rep	Eric Lindvall	
Metro Rep	Jim Cooper	763.628.4684
Equipment Manager	Eric Poncius	
Wreath Coordinator	Troy Huebner	763.497.8476
Marketing Coordinator	Jim Diorio	612-366-1627
Picture Coordinator	Marie Lambrecht	
Purchasing Coordinator	Eric Poncius	
Registration Coordinator	Dan Rodelius	
	Kathy Rodelius	
G.O.A.L. Coordinator	<b>Volunteer needed</b>	
Sponsor Coordinator	Jim DiOrio	612-366-1627
Initiation Level Team Manager Coordinator	Marie Lambrecht	763.248.1836
Squirt and Above Level Team Manager Coordinator:	Deb Carlson	
Home Tournament Coordinator	Koren Swenson	
Volunteer Coordinator	Angie Jerde	
Website Administrator	Shawn Oberg	763.477.5428
Billing Managers	<b>Volunteer needed (billing)</b>	
	<b>Volunteer needed (deposits)</b>	
	Joan McNamara (Cash Receipts)	763.682.2120
Hall of Fame Committee Chair	Chris Bonnell	763.684.1366

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