

# Bemidji Youth Hockey Association

## March Regular Meeting

March 20, 2013

Bemidji Community Arena (BCA)

**Board Members Present:** Jim Fillipi, Rick Atteberry, Kirk Malkowski, John Martens, Bruce Hasbargen, Jim Marcotte

**Board Members Absent:** Kevin Waldhausen

**Age Group Reps Present:** Brian & Lisa Schaefer-Mites, Amy Tobey-12U, Nick Berg-PeeWees, Doug Biggin-Mites, Michelle Elting/Squirts

**Age Group Reps Absent:**, Steve Montgomery-Bantams, Amy Riley-Termite, Leslie Gessner-Termite, James Weidemann Mites, Anny Laituri – 10U

**Other Visitors:** BHS Blue Line (Cindy Serratore & Kris Christopher), Tracy Pogue, Gwen Oster (DIBS), Sara Justice (registration), Jerry Collie (BCA), Neil Huewe (scheduler), Corey Rupp & Scott Anderson (HDC)

**BCA Board Members present:** Hugh Welle, Tom Forsethe

Meeting called to order by Vice President at 6:05 p.m.

### **A. Administrative & Financial Matters**

#### **1. Approval of Previous Meeting Discussion**

- a. Approved by Bruce
- b. Seconded by John and passed

#### **2. President's Report**

1. BHS Boosters provided a year-end summary and thank-you to BYHA  
(1) Donated \$7935 to BYHA!
2. Will provide status reports to BYHA in March and September/October
3. Will reconcile balance sheet with BYHA Treasurer Kirk at the end of each year

#### **3. Treasurer Report**

- a. Checks written reviewed by Kirk and BHYA board
- b. Continuing the budget process estimation for upcoming hockey season
- c. Motion made by Bruce to approve Treasurer's report
  1. Motioned seconded by Jim F and passed

#### **4. Concessions**

- a. None

#### **5. Registration:**

- a. Early registration proposed for next season
  - 1. Possible date of September 1
  - 2. Registration night/open house also proposed for next season
- b. 37 girls registered with program
  - 1. Input needed to grow numbers

**6. Scheduling**

- a. None

**7. Grievance**

- a. None

**8. Policy and Procedure**

- a. None

**9. BCA Finance committee**

- a.

**B. Hockey Matters**

**1. EMT's**

- a. None

**2. Equipment**

- a. None

**3. HDC**

- a. Park & Rec hockey discussed:
  - 1. Option being considered through HDC and supported by BYHA
  - 2. Low-cost/less time consideration for hockey for those outside of BYHA
    - (I) Possible stepping stone towards BYHA
  - 3. Possible ages could be 4-12 year olds
  - 4. One practice and one game per week
  - 5. Would work under BYHA umbrella
  - 6. Motion made by Bruce to move forward with Rec Hockey program. Motion Second by Steve.
- b. HDC proposed to increase termite ice budget for next season if there is an increase over and above cost of this past season. Additional possible cost of \$4,600 for 51 hours.
  - 1. Motion made by Bruce to approve possible increased termite ice time budget allocation. If over 25 skaters for termites and additional 51 hours provided to provide accommodate growth.

- 2. Motion seconded by John and passed.
- c. HDC proposed for BYHA to pay for coaches registration and CEP expenses. Allocation provided would be roughly \$9,000
  - 1. Motion made by Bruce to pay for coaches registration fees and CEP only. Expenses would be reimbursed on or after March 1. Final budget to prevail.
    - (1) Motion seconded by Rick and passed.
- d. HDC proposed using parent coaches salaries to use to lower mite cost.
  - 1. Motion made by Bruce to support reducing mite fees with the corresponding savings in parent/coach salaries
  - 2. Motion seconded by John and passed.
- e. Squirt/10U in house league
  - 1. 2 practices per week and one in-house games
    - (1) Motion made by John to add In-house league to Squirt/10U player options
    - (2) Motion seconded by Bruce and passed
- f. Outdoor hockey rink proposed by HDC adjacent to BCA
  - 1. HDC has most all of the necessary equipment and structures need for the rink in place
  - 2. HDC will have further discussions with BCA about maintenance, costs, etc.
    - (1) Another possible location is near the City Rink location
  - 3. Motion made by Bruce to have the HDC to form a committee to explore outdoor rink opportunities and work with the BCA to help facilitate.
  - 4. Seconded by Kirk and passed
- g. Discussion of Junior Gold Program most likely will be needed for upcoming season.

#### **4. Referee's**

- a. None

#### **5. Tournaments**

- a. Tournaments have been a success as far as filling number of teams.
- b. Bloomington complained about a recent 10/12U tourney regarding period length and their trophy. Matters have been resolved and BYHA looks forward to having them back in 2014.

#### **6. Other Hockey Items**

- a. None

#### **7. District 16 report**

**C. Marketing**

**1. Banquet**

1. None

**2. Raffle tickets**

- a. Completed and winners announced daily on website

**3. DIBS**

- a. New variation for DIBS proposed for next season
  1. Required dollar amount owed for DIBS not completed
  2. Motion tabled by Jim to the April meeting

**4. Marketing Committee**

- a. None

**5. Website**

- a. "Like" BYHA on Facebook and Twitter – be sure to share with friends

**6. Mite Recruiter and New Skaters**

- a. MN Hockey coming to Bemidji on April 13 for marketing and recruiting purposes.

**7. Pictures**

- a. none

**8. Other Marketing items**

- a. none

**D. BCA**

**1. BCA Board Meeting**

- a. Looking to continue to sell sign sponsorships

**2. Other BCA items**

- a. All HS games at the BCA next season
- b. Opening up 10/1
- c. Looking to move HS Banners over ice

**E. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by John, motion second by Kirk.  
Meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.

**F. Next Board Meeting**

April 17, 2013

Please attend and get involved in BYHA!