

# Bison Blueline

BYHA Newsletter - March 2013



## GAMBLING

Julie Prince provided the gambling report from January 2013 . A full report is on file for review. Julie made a request for \$56,050 to cover the March expenses. The motion to approve this request was made by Stephanie Kohnen and seconded by Blake Palmer. Motion approved. Julie will provide us with the 2012 fiscal year end balance for the next meeting. The balance can not be in excess of \$1000 compared to the balance we had last year to avoid a year-end tax penalty . We can no longer offer bingo workers a \$25 dollar ice bill credit without jeopardizing our 5013C status. Raffle earning will be deposited directly into our BYHA treasurer's account. We will not transfer any funds from gambling to our BYHA account this month.

## GAMBLING NUMBERS

Revenue and Expenditures – regulatory basis – for the month ended January 2013.

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| Total Revenues                          | \$36,851.50  |
| Less: Total Allowable Expenses          | \$13,179.94  |
| Less: Total State Gambling Tax          | \$12,810.00  |
| Excess Revenues over Expenses           | \$23,671.56  |
| Less: Total Lawful Purpose Expenditures | \$12,810.00  |
| Revenue: Over (Under)                   | \$10,861.56  |
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| Profit Carryover This Month             | \$128,680.21 |

## EVENT SCHEDULE

### HOC MEETING -

Sunday 7th @ 7:00 PM

### BYHA BOARD MEETING -

Wednesday April 10th 7:00 PM

## GAMBLING

### BUFFALO BAR & GRILL -

Bingo Monday 7:00pm - 9:00pm

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

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Meat Raffle: Wednesday &

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Meeting was called to order by President Joe Prince at 7:12 p.m.

### President's Report:

The season is nearing the end and we would like to thank all the coaches, managers, directors, coordinators, volunteers and many others for all the time and effort spent this year working with the players and the parents within the association. It takes a lot of involvement of parent volunteers to ensure a season of hockey and all the organizational efforts come together before and during the season. We hope your children have a great off-season (if there is such a thing) and look forward to preparation of next season.

Even though the season is coming to a close, there's still lots of activity that occurs over the spring and summer months with the board, HOC and many others in preparation of the 2013-2014 season. Coming up in April is the election process for new board members. In this month's newsletter, you will find the candidates that have submitted their acceptance as a candidate. This information will also be posted on the website. The election process takes place at the April 10<sup>th</sup> board meeting between 7:00 and 8:30. We encourage you to come and vote for the members you feel will best serve the board and association.

If you were not aware, BYHA hosted the Bantam A state tournament. The tournament went extremely well and we were given many accolades from District, MN Hockey representatives and parents from the teams for the organization and hospitality. I would like to thank Steve Pearson and Monica Kunkle who were instrumental in the handling of this tournament, along with all the volunteers, many of them who already had their volunteer hours covered that supported us. Don't have final number, but it looks like we will add approximately \$7,000 in funds for hoisting this tournament.

The end of year Ice out event & mega raffle took place in March. Over 130 parents came to the event. Great time had by all. The ice out committee members did an outstanding job of putting this event together from the auction, food, music, games etc. I would like to thank the following parents for their time and commitment towards making this event a success.

### Ice out Committee members

Sarah Carothers, Angela Miller, Nicole Miller, Jim Hanson, Stephanie Dovorany, Molly Pool, Sharif Welch, Joy Goodmanson, Pam Ramsey, Lee Ryan, Stephanie Kohnen, Kris Holthaus.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **VOTE for new BYHA board members on April 10th from 6:30-8:00 p.m.**
- **NOTE: Several HOC positions are also open and need to be filled.**

### Treasurer Report:

Current balance of \$235,000. We have over \$15,000 in payables that haven't cleared the bank yet. March Ice bill, district tournament game fees along with other payables going into April will amount to approximately \$40,000-\$50,000. Balance going into April will be between \$170,000- \$180,000. We continue to have monthly administrative fees during the off season, along with our \$50,000 annual payment that's due in July to the city.

### Secretary Report:

A motion to approve the February minutes with the corrections noted was made by Stephanie Kohnen and seconded by Blake Palmer. Motion approved.

### Registration Report:

No Report.

### Tournament Report:

No Report.

### Manager Report:

No Report.





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### **GOAL Report:**

No Report.

### **Fundraising Report:**

We will recap the ICE out event at our next meeting. Fundraising will resume with plans for the golf event this fall and the start of the 2013-2014 hockey season.

### **Equipment Report:**

Eric Poncius presented the board with equipment purchasing options for next season. There are several programs in the area. He gave us an overview of how the programs work. The Bauer representative will attend our May meeting to give the board further details. Most programs include group and club discounts on apparel, as well as helmets and other gear.

### **Volunteer Report:**

No Report.

### **Metro Report:**

No Report.

### **Hockey Operations Report:**

Shawn Oberg provided the HOC report. ADM camps begin next week. Impact will run the girl's and mite summer hockey program and Coach Fairman will run a program for Squirrels, PeeWees and Bantams. Formal information on Coach Fairman's camps will be coming out at the end of this week.

HOC has also been discussing how to encourage more kids to participate in off-season training in Buffalo. They are looking at affordability and an option to lower the cost for players who sign-up early in the season, possibly as early as registration.

The following positions are open on the HOC: Tryout Coordinator, Coaching Coordinator and Girl's Director. These positions will be available starting in May. HOC will post the application to the web and do an email blast. HOC will recommend a candidate for each position and the board will then either approve their selection or ask for a different candidate. The board will be given the names and qualifications of the applicants if requested.

Recruiting/One Goal: Our association needs to do a better job with advertising and we need to start earlier. We will try to participate in both the Buffalo and Hanover parade this year. We should consider a booth in the park at the Kid's Day during the Buffalo Days. The Buffalo parade is June 15th.

D5 is voting on recommended changes at their next meeting. They include increase in ref fees, and voting on new D-5 President. BYHA has reviewed the proposed changes and has no opposition to any of them.

### **Sponsor Report:**

No Report.

### **Old Business:**

No Report.

### **New Business:**

Scott Timmerman presented his company's option for e-processing of credit card transactions that could be done on-line next year for payments. His company stores the date and is responsible for security of the information. There could be options for a donation back to BYHA. The company offers other features that we could add on as needed. The board feels that we need further information and then follow-up discussion on this topic. Kris Holthaus, treasurer, and Shawn Oberg will discuss the benefits of this type of program and the board will make a decision by July 1st so that if we choose to use this system, it would be in place by registration.



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Bob Driver attended our meeting. He is offering to facilitate a discussion group on the strategic direction of our organization. We would be looking at our current mission statement, as well as the vision for BYHA in five years. Discussion sessions would cover: areas of potential improvement; how does our association compare to others that we feel run a good program; marketing and retainment. He is proposing 2-3 workshops that would include the board, HOC, and other individuals who would be selected for their knowledge and ability to contribute to the development of this plan. The target date is to start in April after the election so that new board members can participate. The meeting has tentatively been scheduled for April 24th @ 6:00 p.m.

The ice scheduler position will be posted and is open to any individual. Anyone interested should contact the board.

Gambling has been very profitable for BYHA and helps subsidize our program therefore keeping costs down. If we could add another establishment, this would further increase our profits and ability to donate back to the program.

Board elections will take place during our next meeting on April 10th. We have 5 open positions. Sally O'Borsky will prepare and print the ballots. David Nylander and Stephanie Kohnen will manage the voting area. We will adjourn the regular meeting and then have a second meeting to elect the new officers for next year.

The board candidates are listed on this and following pages.

#### Marketing Report:

No Report.

#### District 5 Report:

No additional report.

**Link below for complete D5 meeting minutes.**

<http://district5pucksystems2.com/page/show/14765-meeting-minutes>

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 p.m. was made by Stephanie Kohnen and seconded by Ed Roethke.

## **Board Candidates are listed on the following Pages**

## Board Candidates

### Bob Carlson

Son: Cody Carlson 1st year bantam for next season .Interested in being a part of the board and hopefully improving our association.

### Brian Swenson

I would like to nominate myself for a BYHA board position in the upcoming 2013 election.

I have two boys, Joshua (moving to Pee Wee) and Justin (moving to Squirt). My wife, Koren, and I live in Buffalo and have been part of the association for the past 6 years. Between the two of us, we have volunteered as a coach, a tournament coordinator, a manager, and a BYHA Finance Committee member. I would now like to help lead this association toward decisions that provide for solid and competitive teams, a strong and solvent financial position, improved branding, and an inclusive atmosphere that lends to healthy association participation.

Employment: I have been employed with Medica Health Plans for over 12 years and am currently the Manager of Finance and Strategy for the Individual and Family Business segment. In my role, I am responsible for budgeting, reporting, rating, system integrations, compliance, and financial operations.

Education: I received my bachelor degree and MBA from the University of North Dakota and I do root for the Sioux hockey team.

Other Volunteer: I have volunteered on wildlife conservation groups since moving to Buffalo and also served on the State Board of Directors for the Minnesota Waterfowl Association.

Thank you for your consideration. I appreciate the opportunity to serve.

### Glen Kothrade

I have a son, Garrett Kothrade, 11 years old, playing at the Pee wee level this year and will be playing at this level next year also. My reason for wanting to become a BYHA Board member is

- Keep our Association strong, positive influence within the hockey community
- Promote fun, safe hockey for all players
- Make sure all kids get the same chance to play at their level of play
- Maintain fair representation within the Association
- Look at more options for post-season training camps
- Been a member of BYHA for 7 years

Business owner in the community for 20 years

### Heidi Sohler

I am interested in serving on the BYHA board for the next 3 years. I have 2 kids in the program. Landon is a 1st year Bantam and Kennedy is a 1st year U12. My husband has been involved in coaching for many years and I have also served as manager a couple times. I love the sport and am very involved in my children's activities. I believe that family and school come first but that a team sport has a huge role teaching kids what life is about. It is also about teaching maturity and setting goals in life. I believe that every child deserved the right to play as long as they play fair and follow the rules.

### Jeff S. Habisch

I have two children currently playing in the BYHA. Blake is a 1st year Bantam and Jada is a 2nd year U10.

I am asking for your support for the BYHA Board. I am willing to step up and be an active board member to help improve BYHA in any way that I can. I have seen and been part of a lot of changes through the years at BYHA. I think it would be very beneficial to put some "best practices" in place. Thanks for your vote! Jeff

## Board Candidates

### Ken Ruth

I have two daughters currently playing in the BYHA and have been a member since 2007. Lauren will be a 2nd year U10. Kaley will be a 4th year U8.

I grew up playing hockey and continue to enjoy the sport through coaching. Coached JR. Gold for 9 years (outside BYHA). Currently coach both U10 and U8.

I feel that my hockey background will help me make fair decisions that will benefit the entire program and make the BYHA a stronger organization.

### Kris Holthaus (Current Treasurer fulfilled last year of previous treasurers 3 year term)

My son is Johnny Cantin and he is currently skating at the squirt level - he is 10.

I am the current Treasurer so would bring 1 years worth of experience to the position. I have a college degree in accounting and have worked in the accounting field for the past 20 years at various levels of responsibility.

I am committed to participating in the Association for a number of years to come. I have older grown children who also participated in organized sports in this community so I bring that experience with me to this Association. I am personally concerned with safety issues in the sport and want to make the sport as safe as possible for all skaters participating in it at all levels.

### Marie Lambrecht

My son Jacob (6) is a third year mini-mite; and next season will hopefully be a first year mite.

My interest in becoming a board member is simple; I thoroughly enjoy working with the families and skaters within the association. I have held several team manager positions, along with other miscellaneous coordinator programs. I'm always looking for more ways to help out the association.

I feel that my experience as a volunteer within the association, along with my passion for hockey, will enhance my experience as a board member, and vice versa. I will work hard, with diligent effort, to assist BYHA in any way that I can; and, I will assert my efforts into making positive impacts in the BYHA programs and their future development

### Stephen Frolik (Matt)

I have 2 boys, Jared will be a 1st year bantam, and Jacob will be a 1st year peewee next season.

I have been a member of the BYHA since 2005. I have coached Mites, Squirts, Peewees, and Jr. Gold. My goal is to make BYHA a stronger association in the number of players and player development, to standardize the tryout process. I am interested in being a board member because of my strong hockey background and I think I can make a difference.

### Susan Stendahl

Children playing for BYHA 2012-2013 year: Rachel U14A Black, Kristi U12A, Megan U8

Our girls have been a part of the hockey program in Buffalo for several years & we will continue to be a part of the hockey association for several more. I've had the opportunity to be more involved with the program as the girls are getting older which has been a lot of work but also a lot of fun. Hockey is a game that they love to play and reap many benefits including team & sportsmanship as well as the physical benefits of skating & playing.

**Goal:** Deliver a superior hockey program for the players, parents, association and community.

**Values/Interest:** Develop children into exceptional players, teammates & individuals both on & off the ice. As a potential board member, I would love to be a part of the conversation & moral compass that continues to elevate the kids & the program.





## 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 2013   |
| 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 2014     |
| ACE/HEP & Asst. Coaching Coordinator | Eric Lindvall    | 763.497.3826 | May 2013     |
| Player Development Coordinator       | Brent Wittenberg | 612.940.4067 | May 2014     |
| Tryout Coordinator                   | Open             |              |              |
| Scheduling Director                  | Monica Kunkel    |              | May 2013     |
| Away Tournament Coordinator          | Seth James       |              |              |
| Squirt Coordinator                   | Rick Mueller     | 612.860.5797 | May 2014     |
| Girls Coordinator                    | John Reynolds    | 612.325.0060 | May 2013     |
| U8 Coordinator                       | Brad Rassmussen  |              | May 2014     |
| Boys HS Coach                        | Open             |              |              |
| Girls HS Coach                       | Ray Dahlof       | 763.684.2079 |              |
| BYHA President                       | Joe Prince       | 763.331.5035 | April 2013   |



## Volunteers

| Position   | Name                          | Phone        |
|--|-------------------------------|--------------|
| D5 Rep   | Open                          |              |
| Metro Rep  | Jim Cooper                    | 763.628.4684 |
| Equipment Manager                                | Eric Poncius                  |              |
| Wreath Coordinator                               | Troy Huebner                  |              |
| 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                             |                               |              |
| 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                                 | Pam Kathrode                  | 763.682.6909 |
|  | Andie Johnson                 |              |
|  | Joan McNamara (Cash Receipts) | 763.682.2120 |
| Hall of Fame Committee Chair                     | Chris Bonnell                 | 763.684.1366 |

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