

Bemidji Youth Hockey Association Regular Meeting

February 16, 2011

Lueken's Village North

Board Members Present: Tracy Pogue, Clint Bruestle, Jill Andersen, Mike Gregg, Kevin Waldhausen, Jana Norgaard

Board Members Absent: Denise Merschman

Age Group Reps Present: Kris Christopher, Cassie Maish, Nick Berg, Kami Kelm, Jill Holm, Erica Defatte

Age Group Reps Absent: Lisa McNamara, Tracy Grove, Kris Hammitt, Lucy LaValley

Visitors: Corey Rupp and Chris Justice representing Mite Hockey

A. Administrative & Financial Matters

1. *Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes*

- a. Motion made by Kevin W. to approve January Minutes
- b. Second by Clint B., motion passed/carried

2. *President's Report*

- a. Mike Gregg has applied for a Grant that was available through Minnesota Hockey. The grant was for \$25,000 for development, recruitment and equipment for Youth Hockey.
- b. Cassie Maish will be applying for a grant on March 15th for Jerseys from Total Hockey. They will give out jerseys for skaters 7-12 years old. The window opens between noon and 4:00pm. Jersey distribution is based on the size of your organization. There are 17 jerseys in each kit.
- c. Beaver Game this weekend. \$12.00 tickets for BYHA players. Code Word: Bucky
- d. Moorhead VS BHS Game at the BCA was another huge success. 1,100+ paid people. Tuesday Playoff game will be at the BCA at 7pm. If we win, the semifinal game will be Saturday, at 7pm at the BCA. Great night for Bemidji Youth Hockey.
- e. Tracy attended the District 16 Meeting to determine seeding of team. Quick meeting – with everyone using the website for stats it was taken care of by the districts for Stats.

3. *Treasurer Report*

- a. Budget/Treasury Report presented and reviewed by Board.
- b. We are on track for the year with budget amounts.
- c. Motion made by Mike G. to accept Report as presented, 2nd by Kevin W., motion passed/carried.

4. *Concessions Report*

- a. The decision was made to not place large order this year for the membership.
 - b. Hosting the High School Games at the BCA have been a nice boost for concessions.
5. *Registration*
- a. Replacement for Registrar Pam Issacson has been found. Sara Justice will be taking over. Training has started.
6. *Scheduling*
- a. Brackets are posted on tournament links on website.
 - b. The schedule has been really fluid the past few weeks due to changes with High School Games and rescheduling of games. Check the website DAILY.
7. *Grievances*
- a. The language in Policy and Procedures was evaluated to clarify the Grievance Process. The first reading was done. The second reading will happen at the March Board Meeting.
8. *Policy & Procedure*
- a. Clint has been updating the Policy and Procedures. The first reading will be ready for review at the March Board Meeting. The second reading will be at the April Board Meeting.

Hockey Matters

9. *EMT's* None
10. *Referee's* None
11. *Equipment* None
12. *HDC*
- a. Coaches evaluation will once again go out the last few weeks of the season or shortly after.
 - b. Tom Kuesel is a new member of the HDC.
 - c. Mite Program: Tony Mannausau is the Mite Representative on the HDC.
 - d. Goalie Rotation at Mite Level needs to include 8U Girls as well.
 - e. Matt Menne is researching the topic of 14U and JV and will see which way the HS goes for the 2011-2012 school year.
 - f. Only 3 14U Teams in the district this year and it appears less next year.
 - g. Squirt Coordinator for 2011-2012 will be Chris Justice.
 - h. Quantity of each age group level for 2011-12 were discussed and a sketch is in place for number of teams, number of coaches needed etc. This is a moving target and cannot fully be completed until end of registration, but HDC has a good grip on this at this time.
 - i. Next meeting will be scheduled after season.
13. *Tournaments*
- a. 14U will have 3 teams for Districts.
 - b. Squirt B Blue Tournament had great comments from the teams. Everyone loved coming. Great Job.

- c. Squirt B Districts will be in Bemidji the weekend of March 4th, 2011.

14. *Other Hockey items*

- a. Mike Gregg discussed the Pond Hockey Classic. Refs are needed for the games. Please pass the word and contact Mike Gregg if you are able to help out.
- b. March 13th will be the last day for Hockey.
- c. Corey Rupp and Chris Justice were here to talk about sending the Mite 2's to Bagley for the Bagley Jamboree. The Jamboree will take place Feb. 26th. Excellent opportunity for our kids!

B. Marketing

1. *Banquet*

- a. BYHA Banquet will be Tuesday, March 22nd from 5:00-7:00 pm in the High School Commons.
- b. Cassie Maish will be coordinating the Banquet
- c. 4:30 will be setup
- d. A couple of BSU players and coaches are planning on attending.
- e. More info on the website. Pictures are needed.
- f. Age Groups will be assigned to a certain part of the banquet.

2. *Fundraising* None

3. *DIBS*

- a. DIBS have been posted at the rink. Most families have completed their DIBS.
- b. Future discussion needs to happen with unfulfilled DIBS and what to do.

4. *Mite Recruiter*

- a. Kris Christopher had a meeting with Mite Parents and Reps to discuss some ideas for Mites for next year.
- b. Some ideas that were discussed: Mite Handbook to be developed, Looking into a buddy system for the younger kids, meeting at the beginning of the year to discuss hockey.
- c. It was a very productive meeting and appreciated. Thanks Kris!

5. *Pictures* None

6. *Website* None

7. *Marketing Committee*

- a. Let Clint know if you have any resources for selling packages

C. BCA Nothing to report

D. Misc.

E. Adjournment

Motion made by Kevin Waldenhausen to adjourn meeting, 2nd by Mike Gregg, motion passed/carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:09pm

F. Next Board Meeting

March 23, 2011 at **Lueken's Village SOUTH** at **6:00pm**