

Bemidji Youth Hockey Association

October Regular Meeting

October 9, 2013

Bemidji Community Arena (BCA)

Board Members Present: Jim Fillipi, Corey Rupp, Kirk Malkowski, John Martens, Bruce Hasbargen, Kevin Waldhausen, Jim Marcotte

Board Members Absent:

Age Group Reps Present: Amy Riley-Mite, Jeff Lind – Bantams, Doug Biggin-Termite, Leslie Gessner – Mite, Betsey Olson – Squirt, Michelle Elting-Squirts, Amy Tobey-12U, Nick Berg–PeeWees, Brian Schaefer – Recruiting

Age Group Reps Absent: Anny Laituri-10U, Mike & Liz Engum – Mite, Janee Hill-Termite

Other Visitors: Tracy Pogue/website coordinator, Neil Huewe/scheduler, Kris Christopher/BHS Boosters

BCA Board Members present: none

Meeting called to order by President at 6:03 p.m.

A. Administrative & Financial Matters

1. *Approval of Previous July and August Meeting minutes*

- a. Approved by Bruce
- b. Seconded by Jim F with no discussion and passed

2. *President's Report*

- a. BHS Boy's Boosters provided an update of their status
 1. Organization is strong and doing well
 2. Looking for way to gain efficiencies with BYHA
 3. Looking forward to the goal of launching the Jr Gold program for upcoming season
 4. Discussed including sponsor naming rights for each team's tournament
 5. Discussed chuck-a-puck during HS games
- b. Coaches meeting held last week with a great turnout
 1. Lots of positive discussions and the arrow pointed in the right direction
 2. Many new kids are joining BYHA
- c. Tracy Pogue discussed new BYHA website opportunities for combining BYHA and BHS websites
 1. Would not involve any administrative changes to either, just a combined website pages
 2. Would promote unity and continuity

3. Looking at creating a “Bemidji Hockey” culture instead of BYHA and BHS

3. *Treasurer Report/BCA Finance Committee*

- a. Financials sent to board for review
 1. Motion made by Bruce to approve finances, finance committee report as is and expenses for Sept. Seconded by Jim M. No discussion and motion passed.
- b. Review of checks written
- c. \$25k of general fund going into a \$25k emergency one year fund CD
- d. Kevin W would like BCA/BYHA marketing sponsorships through the Finance Committee
- e. BYHA home tournaments doing extremely well and are all nearly full
- f.

4. *Concessions*

- a. Jim Fillipi coordinating concessions and planning for upcoming season
- b. Looking for a concession manager for 2014 season.

5. *Registration:*

- a. Registration up and running
- b. Numbers are strong going into the year
 1. 83 mites registered plus 105 outside of mites

6. *Scheduling*

- a. Work in progress/underway
- b. Be sure to download the NGIN app to your iphone or android phone to follow your kid’s hockey schedule

7. *Grievance*

- a. None

8. *Policy and Procedure*

- a. None

B. *Hockey Matters*

1. *EMT's*

- a. Mitch How new EMT Coordinator

2. *Equipment*

- a. Mite/termite jerseys, one set of squirt jerseys and pucks ordered

3. **HDC**
 - a. Finalizing coaches and numbers
4. **Referee's**
 - a. None
5. **Tournaments**
 - a. Looking for tourney director trainee
 - b. Tourneys filling/filled up
6. **Other Hockey Items**
 - a. January 4, Skate with the Beavers
7. **District 16 report**
 - a. None

C. Marketing

1. **Season Kick Start Banquet**
 - a. Completed
2. **Raffle tickets**
 - a. Nearly completed and ready
3. **DIBS**
 - a. Termite/Mite DIBS education for first week of November
4. **Website**
 - a. Registration live and running
 - b. Looking at online tournament clothing purchases
5. **Recruiting/Marketing**
 - a. Girls weekend at the BCA 10/12
6. **Pictures**
 - a. Pictures on 11/11
7. **Other Marketing items**
 - a. None

D. BCA

1. **BCA Board Meeting**
 - a. Getting rink ready and fully operational
2. **Other BCA items**
 - a. Exploring web cam/web streaming opportunities for BCA

E. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Kirk motion second by Jim.
Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.

F. Next Board Meeting

November 20, 2013

Please attend and get involved in BYHA!