

# Bemidji Youth Hockey Association

## March Regular Meeting

March 11, 2015

Bemidji Community Arena (BCA)

**Board Members Present:** Corey Rupp, Bruce Hasbargen, Brian Schaefer, Kirk Malkowski, Kevin Waldhausen, Jim Marcotte, Jim Fillipi

**Board Members Absent:**

**Committee Reps/Age Group Reps/Others Present:** Janee and Lee Hill, Doug Biggin, Brent Rud, Jason Niemi, Lisa Schaefer, Neil Heuwe, Jason Brodina, Shane Mattfield, Pat Devescovi, Stephanie Devescovi, Tony Ladner, Lane Chiodo, Stephanie Rupp, Matt and Jamie Mostad, Kim Mannausau, Courtney Gifford, Tiffany Fankhanel, Jana Norgard, Michelle Malkowski, Leslie Gessner, Ryan Keison, Brian Voge

**BCA Board Members present:** none

Meeting called to order by President at 6:00p.m.

### A. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of February financial reports and expenses
  - a. Motion by Jim M and seconded by Brian to approve. No further discussion, motion passed.
2. Approval of January and February meeting minutes
  - a. Motion made by Kevin and seconded by Jim M to approve. No further discussion, motion passed.

### B. Old business

1. Reviewed HDC proposal for puck shooting area
  - a. attached
  - b. would like to add flooring if in the mezzanine area
  - c. BCA Board has expressed they are against this proposal
  - d. Motion made by Kevin and seconded by Bruce to approve spending up to \$5,000 to develop a shooting area, to continue to work with the BCA Board to garner their support, final design to be worked out, and to be constructed over the summer. After further discussion the motion passed.
  - e. Will need to develop policy on how to utilize this
2. Grievance committee will be meeting tonight to address pending grievance

### C. New Business

1. Budget to be worked on and presented in April for approval in May
2. DIBs was discussed
  - a. list to be reviewed by Board and team reps
  - b. Bruce to draft a letter that will be sent out to families about penalty and recourse.
  - c. Brent and Jana will work with Amy to work thru software
  - d. DIBs program will be reviewed in April
  - e. Motion by Corey and seconded by Bruce to impose \$50 per DIB not performed. No further discussion and motion passed.

3. Skeeter Stitch
    - a. Discussed being preferred apparel vendor
  4. 1st year of BYHA hockey free
    - a. Consensus of the Board is to keep this in place
  5. October Hockey
    - a. There was a lack of commitment last year when there was no charge
    - b. Consensus of the Board is to charge and figure it into the budget
  6. Registration cost to be reviewed thru budget process
  7. Hard Board dividers grant
    - a. Will check into options for storage
  8. Tournaments
    - a. Consensus to raise tournament fees \$100
  9. 12u
    - a. Will put together a committee to look at options
      1. coaches, team reps, Jackie and Amber
  10. Raffle
    - a. If anybody has any prize ideas see Jim Marcotte
- D. Committee reports
1. Concessions – will need to go thru and service equipment prior to next year, budget for this
- E. Open Discussion
1. Amy Loewe
    - a. Need to improve District Tournaments, the two we held here were poorly run this year
  2. Ryan Keison
    - a. need to improve the jerseys
      1. Brian S, Ryan K and Brian V will work on this
- F. Adjournment
1. Motion made by Kevin and seconded by Brian to adjourn. No further discussion and motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:48pm.
- G. Next Board Meeting Second Wednesday of the month, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 6pm, BCA

# BYHA PROPOSAL FOR SHOOTING AREA

In order for our kids to improve as hockey players, we as Bemidji Youth Hockey have to provide our youth hockey players with the tools they need to succeed. We have a beautiful rink, great coaches, and fantastic parents. That being said we are missing one major item that most rinks have that we do not, a place to teach stick handling and shooting that doesn't take up precious ice time.

There are four major aspects of hockey—being a good skater, knowing the game, passing/shooting the puck, and stick handling. The way to get better at these is repetition, making it second nature.

## OVERVIEW

The reason we as an association need this shooting area is to have a place for kids to go stick handle/shoot and still protect our rink from damages. Dale stated in his letter to the board that locker rooms were being damaged. This would be a great place to have kids warm up by stick handling and shooting instead of sitting in the locker rooms where the water fountains are being broken.

### The Objective

The objective is to have an area on the mezzanine 25'x45'x20' to be netted in. The netting would be able to be lowered down from the ceiling to protect the walls/signs and from pucks fling on to ice. The netting would be above the advertising signs so as not to be in the line of sight when up.

### The Solution

- Build a netted in area on the mezzanine that can be used as both a teaching area as well as a practice area.

## OUR PROPOSAL

The Proposal is to construct a four sided netting enclosure that lifts from the floor up into the rafters when not in use. It will be 20' tall to protect the signs, 45' long, and 25' wide.


The cost brake down is as follows:

- Netting \$1900.
- Shooter tooters \$200.00 each. 4 needed \$800.00
- Skeleton frame \$600.00
- lifting mechanism \$450.00

Total cost \$3750.00

## **Execution Strategy**


The project would be assembled by volunteers to help keep costs down.



## **Timeline for Execution**


The project would be done before the next hockey season starts, that way time can be scheduled in for practice times.

## **EXPECTED RESULTS**



We expect our proposed solution to the shooting/stick handling area issues to be resolved and construction of the area to begin as soon as possible.

## **CONCLUSION**



We look forward to working with the BYHA and BCA Board and supporting your efforts to improve our rink as well as our hockey program.

Thank you for your consideration,

Hockey Development Committee