

Bemidji Youth Hockey Association

February Regular Meeting

February 10th, 2016
Bemidji Community Arena (BCA)

Board Members Present: Corey Rupp, Brian Schaefer, Kevin Waldhausen, Jason Brodina, Leslie Gessner, Bruce Hasbargen

Board Members Absent: Jim Marcotte

BCA Board Members/Committee Reps/Age Group Reps/Others Present: Neil Heuwe, Gina Grinde, Jason Niemi, Scott Johnson, Michelle Malkowski, Carrie Fish, Brent Rudd, Tom Kuesel, Nellie Kimble, Shane Mattfield, Mark Larson

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

A. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of January meeting minutes
 - a. Motion made by Bruce and seconded by Leslie to approve. No further discussion, motion passed.
2. Approval of January financial reports and expenses
 - a. Did not approve financials. Board did not receive a copy of January financials to review.

B. Old business

C. New Business

1. District Meeting Updates

- a. Seeding for all teams, tourneys start soon
- b. MN hockey starting Tier one for 14 and 15 year old age groups
- c. Fall league combining districts 15 and 16
- d. Fighting in tourneys, 3 game suspension, bantam moving to high school and starts a fight, punish association and not bantam skater

2. Hard Divider Update

- a. Delivery date is pending for the end of season
- b. Will be storing at city rink.

3. New Board Nomination Process

- a. Send out nominations for upcoming annual elections a month ahead instead of that night.
- b. Open nominations and get info about candidates early so members can make an informed decision
- c. Jason Brodina is proposing a new policy for nomination process.
 1. A call for nomination of potential board members will take place at the monthly meeting prior to the board election meeting. This will be open until 1 week prior to the board election meeting, at which

time, nominations will be closed. New board members will be voted upon and elected from these nominations. All potential candidates and a short summary by each person stating desire, interest and strengths for the board will be posted on website for everyone to review one week prior to election.

- d. Jason Brodina makes motion to adopt new election process, seconded by Corey, further discussion – Bruce asked if we should put in PandP, decided it is more procedure than PandP item, motion passed.

4. Girls, Little Lady Lumberjack Update

- a. All Girls meeting next week on Wednesday at 6:00.
- b. HDC, Jeremy Fayette recommends no 12u, keep 10u together.
- c. Corey met with Troy Hendricks and Jackie Robertson regarding JV team.
- d. Michelle Malkowski asked where all the girls are, don't see many girls at practice during the week.
- e. Kevin – 10u tourney this weekend, parents are paying for tourney entry fee out of their own pockets – wondering why. 10u short games, they picked up the extra tourney for more games.

5. BCA Update

- a. This year election will be more formal, set terms and offset terms so they end on alternating years.
- b. Talking to another board candidate for next month meeting.
- c. Still discussing more board options and board member skill set needs.
- d. Hugh Welle has decided to step down in May of 2016.
- e. Ice out March 2nd – Wednesday night.
- f. Mn Wild Learn to play for next year – if rink opens month early – \$900-1100.00 a day to run arena in September. Need to fill ice to make it worthwhile opening early.
- g. October 3rd would be proposed ice in day - Monday

6. New Jersey Discussion

- a. What colors should the jerseys be, same as high school or stay with red accent? Logos, wording, styles, etc.
- b. Should jerseys have Bemidji on the front or Jacks on the front of the home jersey or a logo of some kind.
- c. Corey makes a motion to approve the Boston U style jersey and two strip knit socks, with Bemidji on the front for road jerseys and Jacks on the front of home jersey, seconded by Bruce, no further discussion, motion passed.
- d. Corey makes motion to approve selling jerseys for 25.00 per set to kids on the Bantam AA, Bantam B, PeeWee AA and PeeWee B2, Seconded by Kevin, no further discussion, motion passed

7. Goalie Discussion by Kevin Waldhausen

- a. Discuss money from Chevy sponsor (500.00), old timers donation money earmarked for player development (700.00), give 4 – 300.00 dollar scholarship for goalie camp. Look at PeeWee kids and down to mite goalies.
- b. Kevin makes a motion to use Chevy sponsorship money and some of old timers donation money to create 4 – 300.00 dollar scholarship money to

send kids peewee to mite 2 age to goalie camp to offset some costs.,
Seonded by Corey, further discussion on who gets emailed and who will
take ownership of program – Kevin will be in charge, motion passed

D. Committee reports

I. HDC

- a. Would like board to discuss and propose a change to tryout period from 5 sessions to 4 sessions.
- b. Motion by Corey to append section 3.18 1a to read “a minimum of 4 practice sessions before final team selections.” Seconded by Kevin, no further discussion, motion passed.

E. Open Discussion

- I.* Discuss when raffle drawing is and who will be there to help. Will be getting the drum from Dan Dow for the drawing Friday during the high school game.

Adjournment Motion made by Corey and seconded by Bruce to adjourn. No further discussion and motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

Next Board Meeting *Second Wednesday of the month, March 9th, 6pm, BCA*