



Bison Blueline

BYHA Newsletter – April 2021

Election Night:

Voting started at 6:45pm. Shawn Kirschner and Brandon Murphy were the election judges this year. Thank you to all of those who came to vote on election night.

Gambling Report:

Julie Prince presented gambling report. Started 6:47pm

Board Members Present: Lena, Ryan, Hans, Maria, Danielle, Tiffany, Jill, Brandon, Nathan, and Shawn

Profit Carryover From this Month	\$181,511.93
Carry over increase / (decrease)	\$34,512.38
Gambling Operating Expense Request (Includes graduated tax rate)	\$101,200.00

We are reporting on the month of February. We had a great month and are happy to be open again. We are so appreciative to those who continue to support the BYHA through our gambling locations at the Thirsty Buffalo, Hitching Post and the new Bunker Heights. We are also working with the new J's bar, as it is getting ready to open. We hope to have pull-tabs at that location as soon as they open.

A motion to approve \$89,200.00 to cover estimated expenses.

- Tiffany 1st, Danielle 2nd. No Discussion. All Approved and Motion Passed (9-0).

Event Schedule

HOC Meeting:

First Sunday of the month @ 7:00 PM

BYHA Board Meeting

Second Wednesday of the month @ 7:00 pm

Next Meeting will be May 12th

Gambling

THIRSTY BUFFALO

Bingo: Monday 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm.

Pulltabs: Sunday (12-10), Monday - Thursday (12-11), Friday (12-12) and Saturday (11-12)

Meat Raffle: Thursday @ 5:30pm, Saturday @ 3:00pm & Sunday @ 4:00pm

HITCHING POST - Annandale

Pulltabs: Sunday (12-8), Monday (Closed), Tuesday-Thursday (5-9), Friday (4-11) and Saturday (11-11)

Meat Raffle: Saturday (12:30)



The board meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm.

Attendance:11 Directors

Lena Gawtry, Ryan Ferguson, Hans Iverson, Maria Rosso, Danielle Rakos, Tiffany Grube, Jill Ross, Brandon Murphy, Shawn Kirschner, Nathan Dixon, and Mike Honsey

President Report:

We would like to invite everyone to our monthly board meetings. These are held the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm at the Buffalo Civic Center in the New Rink Conference Room.

A two-week notice to the President is requested for time on the agenda.

Secretary Report:

A motion to approve minutes for month of March 2021 (these have been posted on the BYHA website). No changes were submitted to Maria after the minutes were posted.

- Hans 1st, Ryan 2nd. No Discussion. All Approved and motion passed (9-0). (Mike didn't vote)

Watch your email for our end of season survey. Please take time to fill out the survey so we can know what is working well and know what areas we can improve for the upcoming season.

Treasurer Report:

Actuals:

1. Cash Balance (from prior month): \$223,387 as of March 31, 2021
2. Expenses paid: \$72,473 in expenses in March 2021
3. Estimated expenses upcoming: Anticipate expenses of \$105,000 in April 2021
4. Income received (prior month): \$95,825 in revenues in March 2021
5. Estimated income upcoming: Anticipate revenues of \$40,000 in April 2021

A motion to approve the treasurer report was made.

- Danielle 1st, Ryan 2nd. No Discussion. All approved and motion passed (10-0).

Ice Scheduler:

Most teams hit their goals for budgeted ice hours for the season, or were very near their goals.



Registration Report:

Nothing new to report at this time.

HOC Report

5000 Puck Club prizes have been ordered and ready for pickup. Congratulations to all those skaters who participated in the 5000 Puck Club this year.

CONGRATULATIONS 5000 Puck Club Participants

GOLD LEVEL

Ayden Anderson
Emmit Baker
Max Barton
Juan Baxa
Blake Beckman
Luke Berard
Logan Brausen
Gavin Dahle
Jack Drown
Max Drown
Ben Ebert
Cale Eggersgluss
Lucas Ferguson
Ayden Gawtry
Brody Gieslinger
Lucas Grahek
Noah Gregorich
Adelyn Guck
Claire Kinneberg

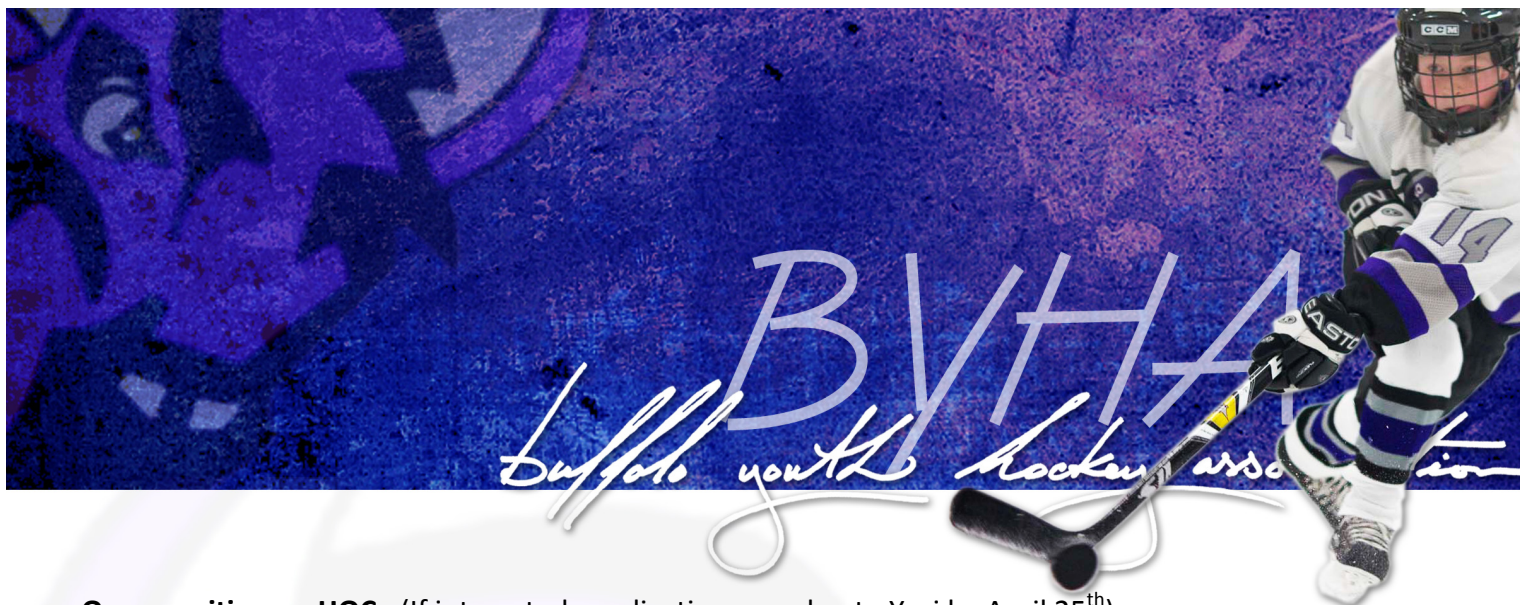
Logan Kolasa
Mackenzie Koren
Tanner Koren
Jack Linden
Will Magaard
Coy Meyer
Cameron Moe
Crobsy Murphy
Olli Niemela
Senya Niemela
Marlo Reynolds
Brady Reiter
Ben Rosso
John Schmidt
Lucy Sloan
AJ Smiglewski
Gabriel Soloman
Jared Stedham

SILVER LEVEL

Landon Glur
Violet Huddy
Zach Johnson
Kaiya Johnson
Kaden Moser
Tiegen Neubert
Blake Rickheim
Charlie Rosso
Hannah Rosso
Savana Sabraski
Maxwell Wurm

BRONZE LEVEL

Jackson Adams
Athena Baker
Aubrey Baker
Brayden Bayer
Emmitt Bayer
Zach Blaeser
Cole Corbin
Addison Glur
Chloe Hammer
Latham Johnson
Joey Kuhlman
Bennett Lenton
Everett Lenton
Tristen Lenton
McKenzie Mackendanz
Rylan Mackendanz
Brodee Myers
Jace Munn
Bob Schroden
Reece Schroden



Open position on HOC: (If interested, applications are due to Yuri by April 25th)

- Co-Coaches Coordinator
- Squirt Co-Coordinator
- ABC Coordinator
- Try-out Co-Coordinator
- Goalie Coordinator
- 8U Co-Coordinator
- Player Development
- Player Development Co-Coordinator
- Tournament Coordinator
- Tournament Co-Coordinator
- Jr. Gold Coordinator

Kim Monohan will be reaching out to the girl's coordinators to see how she can help build the program for the future.

D5 will be reevaluating how the girl's teams are placed for next season.

HOC will also be looking into using the Hockey Share Program for all coaches next season.

Dave Crothers is no longer the Girls High School coach.

District 5 Report:

- The final billing went out for the 2020/2021 season. We might see a credit, but will know more once it is posted.
- A reminder was given to all associations that teams caught violating the controlled scrimmage guidelines will be penalized with a \$500 fine.
- D5 voted in favor of exempting players from try-outs if they have a Tier 1 or 2 game conflict.
- D5 is looking for a social media coordinator (non-voting role)
- We need to update Nate Wold with tournament dates for the next season.
- Kim Monohan wants to work with associations to help grow the girl's program. She is looking for ideas and ways to accomplish this.
- Sean Dunn wants to know what we need. He wants to help us coordinate more offerings for our skaters. (ex. Checking clinic)
- Need to update D5 with new contact list after the election takes place for both BOD and HOC



D5 Elections results:

- MN Hockey Director: Steve Gapinski
- President: Tim Reuter
- Treasurer: Jeff Swenson

Next District 5 meeting will be held on August 4th at 7pm. Discussions about placements and teams will happen at this meeting.

Volunteer Report:

Nothing new to report at this time.

Advertising/Sponsorship:

SAVE THE DATE: BISON Ice-In Golf Tournament September 11, 2021

Please continue to support the businesses who support us:

- A110 Athletics
- Adjust to Health Chiropractic
- Andy Austin
- Annandale Art and Textile Center
- Artistic Me
- Big Bore Barbecue Co
- Billy D's Crooked Tavern
- BJ's Deli
- Buff N Glo Car Wash
- Buffalo American Legion Post 270
- Buffalo Bison Hockey STP
- Buffalo Books
- Café Jules
- Christensen Group Insurance
- City of Buffalo
- CorTrust Bank
- CUB Foods
- Dixon Farms
- Domino's Pizza-Buffalo
- Holiday Station Stores - Annandale
- Huikko's Bowling and Event Center
- In Hot Water Coffee Shop
- J&J Athletics
- Jimmy Johns - Buffalo
- Jimmy's Pizza-Annandale
- Kwik Trip -Buffalo
- Lakeside Nutrition
- Mill Creek Inn
- Miller's Jewelry
- Old National Bank
- P-M Custom Woodworking
- Ryan Chevrolet
- SDP Hockey (Select Development Program)
- South Brook Gold Club and Grill
- Spilled Grain Brewhouse
- Stewart Plumbing
- Sweet Escape Ice Cream
- Sylvia + Louisa



- Taco Bell-Buffalo
- Target-Buffalo
- The River Inn of Hanover
- The Vision Companies

- Thirsty Buffalo
- TruStone Financial
- Waterfront Lakeside Grille
- What's the Scoop?

Next season marks the 50th Anniversary of the BYHA. Committee will be formed to help plan for this event.

Apparel:

Inventory due June 1st.

Equipment Report:

Mike and Nate are looking into jersey options for the future.

Concession Stand:

Inventory is due June 30th. We are still waiting on the City of Buffalo for the concession stand contract.

City of Buffalo:

Locker rooms can be used this spring and summer for players to get ready. Masks are still required. The City of Buffalo is also looking at the best options for fixing the parking lot and has decided not to fix the rink floor until 2024.

Pro-Shop:

Nothing new to report at this time.

Additional Notes:

There was discussion about giving an ice credit to Lena to offset all of the extra hours she put in this year dealing with the rules and regulations regarding the covid policies.

A motion was made to give an ice credit of \$2,500 to Lena for extra work duties completed this past year.

- Hans 1st, Jill 2nd. Discussion about paying our volunteers and whether this is the right thing for the BYHA. Motion did not pass. (5-5). (No-Maria, Brandon, Shawn, Danielle, Ryan)

The Board is also going to be looking at the Parent Code of Conduct over the summer.

Budget requests will be due April 30th for the 2021/22 season.

Current Board members will need to complete their member job description and turn in.



Current positions we are looking to fill:

- HOC positions listed above
- Parade Coordinator (need a trailer)
- Recruitment/Retention Coordinator
- Marketing Coordinator


Election Results:

Thank you to everyone that came out to vote. We had 90 voters show up for our elections. Here are the election results for our open Board positions.

Kent Baker – 53 votes
 Ryan Ferguson – 67 votes
 Jessica Fudali – 21 votes
 Lena Gawtry – 65 votes
 Jacob Hanson – 9 votes
 Mark Lemen – 29 votes
 Dusty Pierce – 67 votes
 Danielle Rakos – 59 votes
 Bob Schroeden – 36 votes
 Adam Dalum – 1 vote (write-in)
 Kristine Holthusen – 1 vote (write-in)
 Jason Hopland – 1 vote (write-in)
 Shawn Kirschner – 1 vote (write-in)
 Derek Rosso – 1 vote (write-in)

3-YEAR TERM:

Ryan Ferguson
 Dusty Pierce
 Lena Gawtry
 Danielle Rakos
 Kent Baker

 **OFFICIAL BALLOT**		For Official Use Only: _____
2021 BYHA ELECTION BALLOT		
BYHA Members must SIGN IN at April Board meeting to vote. VOTE for UP TO FIVE (5) DIRECTORS.		
Please mark to the left of selected candidate with (X)		
Kent Baker		Mark Lemen
Ryan Ferguson (Incumbent)		Dusty Pierce
Jessica Fudali		Danielle Rakos (Incumbent)
Lena Gawtry (Incumbent)		Bob Schroeden
Jacob Hanson		Write In:



Additional Notes:

A HUGE THANK YOU to Brandon Murphy and Nate Dixon for their service on the BOD. We appreciate all you did to help make our association great!

Meeting adjourned at 8:33pm

BYHA Board of Directors (BOD)

April 2021	Position	Name	Phone	Term Expires
x	President	Lena Gawtry	612.386.1104	April 2021
x	Vice President	Ryan Ferguson	612.719.2005	April 2021
x	Secretary	Maria Rosso	763.250.8949	April 2022
x	Treasurer	Jill Ross		April 2022
x	Director	Brandon Murphy	651.271.2090	April 2021
x	Director	Mike Honsey		April 2022
x	Director	Danielle Rakos	612.720.2967	April 2021
x	Director	Tiffany Grube		April 2022
x	Director	Hans Iverson	763.238.5018	April 2022
x	Director	Nathan Dixon		April 2021
x	Director	Shawn Kirschner		April 2022
NOTE: 11 Directors were present for April 2021 meeting.				



BYHA Hockey Operations Committee (HOC)

Position	Name	Phone	Term Expires
HOC President	Yuri Preugschas	763.258.3594	
ACE/HEP & Asst. Coaching Coordinator	Paul Heyerdahl		
Player Development Coordinator	Thomas Johnson Jamie Johnson		
Goalie Development Coordinator	Jon Varner		
A/B/C/5000 Puck Coordinator	John Reynolds		
Tryout Coordinator	Derek Rosso Brent Danzeisen		
Scheduling Director	Hans Iverson		
Mites/Mini Mites Coordinator	Ryan Huddy Tiffany Dixon		
Away Tournament Coordinator	Jenny Sabetti		
Safesport Coordinator(s)	Kelly Hinnenkamp Michelle Munn		
Squirt Coordinator	Kent Baker DJ Dalbec		
Gils Coordinator	Ben Guck Adam Dalum		
Boys HS Coach	Aaron Johnson		
Girls High School Coach	Dave Carothers		



Volunteers

D5 Rep	Ryan Ferguson
Equipment Manager	Nathan Dixon
Wreath Coordinator	Erica Wurm
Marketing Coordinator	
Picture Coordinators	Mike and Lora Toussaint
Purchasing Coordinator	
Registration Coordinator	Danielle Rakos
One Goal Coordinator	Matt Griffith
S.C.O.R.E. Coordinator	Rissa Schrick
T.E.A.M. Coordinator	Molly Geislinger
Advertising/Sponsorship Coordinator	Shawn Kirschner Shawna Johnson
Travelling Level Team Manager Coordinator	Kari Magaard
Initiation Level Team Manager Coordinator	Leota Bemis
Home / Away Tournament Coordinator	Jenny Sabetti
Volunteer Coordinator	Sarah Shult



Webmaster and Social Media Coordinator	Lena Gawtry
Billing Managers	Jill Ross
Hall of Fame Committee Chair	