



Bison Blueline

BYHA Newsletter – March 2020

Gambling Report:

Lena presented gambling report. Started 6:51pm

Board Members Present: Lena, Hans, Maria, Brandon, Mat, Mike and Shawn

Profit Carryover From this Month	\$126,430.55
Carry over increase / (decrease)	(\$30,454.65)
Gambling Operating Expense Request (Includes graduated tax rate)	\$66,200.00

We are reporting on the month of January. It was another good gambling month for association. Thank you for all of your support!

A motion to approve \$66,200 to cover estimated expenses.

- Hans 1st, Mike 2nd. No Discussion. All Approved and Motion Passed (6-0).

Event Schedule

HOC Meeting:

Next meeting will be
Sunday, April 4th @ 7:00 pm.

BYHA Board Meeting

Second Wednesday of the
month @ 7:00 pm

Gambling

THIRSTY BUFFALO

(FKA - Buffalo Bar and Grill)

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

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Meat Raffle: Wednesday & Saturday @
5:30pm

BUNKERS -

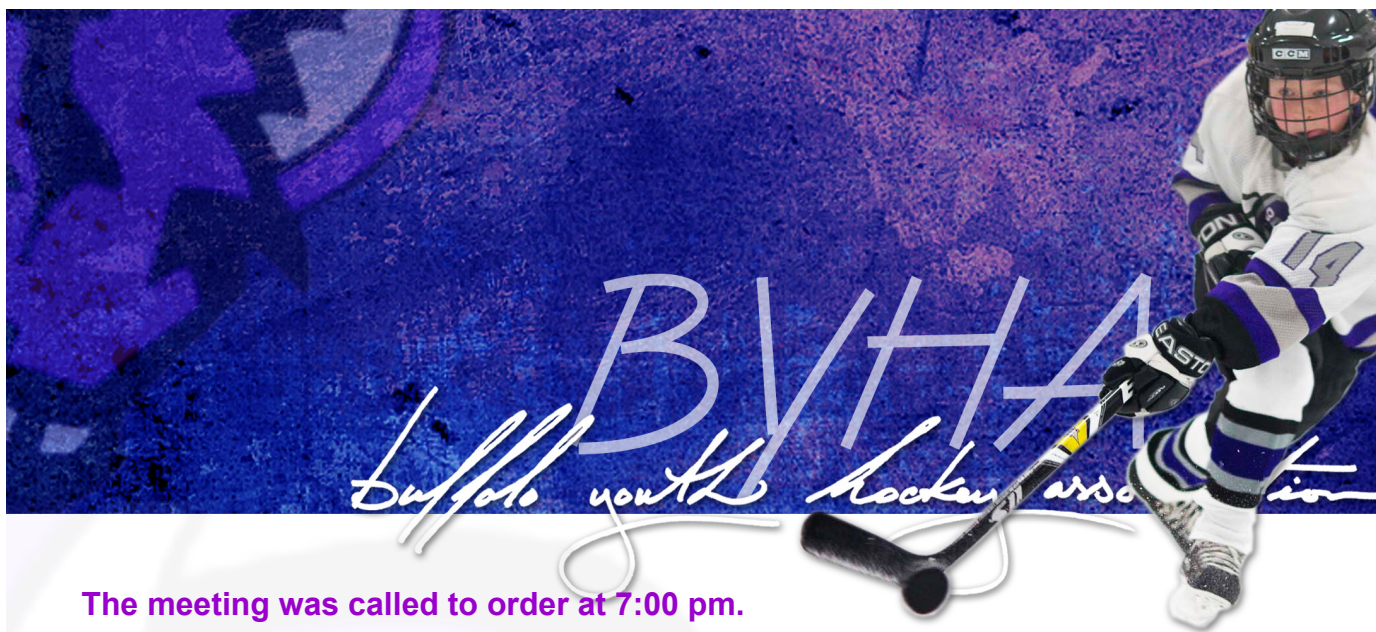
Pulltabs: Saturday & Sunday @ 11-12

Bingo: Wednesday @ 7:00 pm

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 meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Attendance: 8 Directors

Lena Gawtry, Hans Iverson, Maria Rosso, Mat Meyer, Brandon Murphy, Nathan Dixon, Mike Honsey and Shawn Kirschner

President's 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.

****Due to the current circumstances we are looking at alternatives for our next scheduled meeting.**

Secretary's Report:

A motion to approve minutes for month of February 2020 (these have been posted on the BYHA website).

- Brandon 1st, Mike 2nd. No Discussion. All Approved and motion passed (7-0).

Treasurer's Report:

Actuals:

1. Cash Balance (from prior month): \$135,706.54 as of February 29th, 2020
2. Expenses paid: \$101,124.61 in expenses in February 2020
3. Estimated expenses upcoming: Anticipate expenses of \$70,000 in March 2020
4. Income received (prior month): \$164,338.83 in revenues in February 2020
5. Estimated income upcoming: Anticipate revenues of \$48,000 in March 2020

A motion to approve the treasurer report.

- Mike 1st, Mat 2nd. No Discussion. All approved and motion passed (7-0).

HOC Report

The 5,000 Puck Club is complete. Great job to all of those who participated! The HOC is continuing to look for ways to improve the number of participants in this program. We understand that extra effort put in off the ice can make a huge difference in a player's game and our goal as an association is to have everyone participating in this program.



The HOC is also looking at other options for goalie clinics as well as expanding and improving our coaching development. The Squirts end of year tournament schedule should be posted very soon.

We are in urgent need for someone who would like to take over for our current ice scheduler position next season. The job description is posted on the website. Please contact Lena ASAP if you are interested.

The HOC also has the following open positions; Vice President, Girl's Coordinator, Mite Co-Coordinator, Ice scheduler, Tryout Co-Coordinator, Squirt Coordinator, Coaches Coordinator, Goalie Coordinator, ABC Coordinator, and Tournament Coordinator. Please reach out to Yuri if you are interested in applying.

District 5 Report:

The next scheduled meeting is April 1st but with the current situation things are likely to change. Elections will also be held in April for District 5 MN Hockey Director, District 5, 2nd Vice President, and District 5 Secretary. Anyone interested in running for any of these positions should contact Ryan Ferguson.

There was also mention that D5 is looking to make all associations produce an 'A' team in the girl's program next year.

District 5 would like to review the handbook of all associations in the off-season.

SAFE Sport / TEAM Before Ice / SCORE Report:

The S.C.O.R.E. event was a big success for the players. Congratulations to all of those players who participated. This event is an educational achievement program that recognizes student athletes who achieve a 3.0 minimum GPA during the hockey season. A huge thanks to those who helped plan the event!

Registration

There are no updates for this month.

Tournament Report

It looks as though Buffalo is slotted to host 2-3 tournaments next season.



Equipment Report:

Jersey and equipment turn in was scheduled for March 25th and 26th but with the current situation this has changed, and team managers will be contacted when there is a new plan in place.

Apparel:

Inventory will be happening soon.

Volunteer Update:

The board is discussing different options to get more people to do complete their DIBS hours in a timely fashion. **A huge thank you Erica and Sarah for all of your hard work this season!!!**

City of Buffalo:

The Board is working with Lee to come up with a plan to submit to the city of Buffalo.

Concession Stand:

The Board is waiting for a vendor presentation with the hope to consolidate all of the food orders to one vendor.

Pro-Shop:

Inventory will be happening soon. We are still looking at other options when it comes to our skate sharpening.

Advertising/Sponsorships:

Besides advertising at the rink, we are looking for other ideas where we can reach out to the community. A motion was made to use two of the BYHA dasher boards for Community Lawn Care and the fundraiser it provides for BYHA.

- Maria 1st, Mike 2nd. No Discussion. All approved and motion passed (7-0).

New Business:

The Board is working on a way to still have our voting happen soon. We will reach out to all members once we have a plan in place. (see ballot and bios below)


We are taking goalie equipment donations, so if you have extra equipment (especially in the smaller the sizes) and would like to get it out of your house we would happily accept it and get more kids trying out the goalie position.



We are looking to fill the following positions, if interested please reach out to the board.

- Ice Scheduler (paid position)
- Retention/Recruitment Coordinator
- Home Tournaments Coordinator
- 5,000 Puck Club Coordinator
- Wreath Coordinator

We have 1 open position on the BYHA Board of Directors. We have 2 candidates running for the board. Elections for this position will take place at the board meeting in April. (Please watch your email to see how it will be run this year). Check out their bios below and be sure to vote.



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****OFFICAL BALLOT****

2020 BYHA ELECTION BALLOT

BYHA Members must SIGN IN at April Board meeting to vote.

VOTE for UP TO ONE (1) DIRECTOR.

Please mark to the left of selected candidate with (X)

<input type="checkbox"/>	DUSTIN PIERCE
<input type="checkbox"/>	JILL ROSS
<input type="checkbox"/>	Write in Candidate:
<input type="checkbox"/>	



Dustin Pierce

My goal is to fill the open position on the Buffalo Youth Hockey Board of Directors. I believe I would make a great candidate for the open position on the board of directors based on my experience with the program, leadership skills, and training. Those that know me in and around the community would agree that I would be a great advocate for the players and families involved in the program. I am also interested in the position to have a better understanding of the operations and planning that go into running this program, as well as, provide answers to the many questions we, as parents have over the course of the season. Above all else I want a clean, fun, safe and fair program for the kids. Hockey is a great game, in my opinion, the best game. I want the best for the kids and their families. I hope to help as a board member.

EXPERIENCE:

1998 – 2002 HEAD COACH, BYHA BANTAM B2 Co-head coach - Bantam B2 boys.

2015 – CURRENT COACH, BYHA Coach / Assistant coach – Mites and Squirts

EDUCATION:

JUNE 1997 GRADUATE, BUFFALO SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL Football, Hockey, and Baseball. Member of the leadership council 1996-97

SKILLS:

- 5yr Cub Scout Den leader for two den groups with a total of 16 scouts currently
- Heavy Equipment Operator, Foreman and member of the safety committee – work
- Former BYHA bantam coach 1998-2002
- Current assistant coach for Mites & Squirts
- Church council member at Grace Lutheran

I have been a part of BYHA most of my life beginning in the early 1980's as a player at the youth level and finishing it off as a 3-year varsity player graduating in 1997. I coached bantam hockey out of high school for 5 years before moving away from home. Since then I have worked hard, traveled, got married, and started a family. My wife Joleen and I relocated to South Haven 6 years ago and our children are in the Annandale school district. My boys started hockey and here I am right back in the very system I grew up with. Scouting has been a source of pride in our family because of the emphasis on giving back to the community and doing one's duty to God and country. There are no "try-outs" all are welcome, all participate, and all contribute. I am a member of my church council at Grace Lutheran Church in South Haven, MN. We have small but wonderful church family. Our hearts are always by the water, frozen or not!! I enjoy any and all outdoor activities when we have time. Hunting, fishing, water sports, boating, camping and swimming to name a few and it always involves family and friends. We love to get out in our community whether it be fund raisers, local fish fry's, or concerts. We like local shops, and restaurants in and around our area as well and never shy away from a garage sale or two in summer. We love to spend time with friends and family on the lake or near the fire. All are welcome!



Jill Ross

I am seeking a position on the Buffalo Youth Hockey Program Board of Directors. Anyone that knows me would say that I truly do give 100% to those things that I am passionate about. Having grown up a small- town girl, in a small town that didn't offer Hockey, I never thought that Hockey was going to be one of those things. My twin daughters, Sydney and Avery, wanted to learn to skate and asked to try the One Goal Program and very quickly fell in love with skating. We started with the BYHA program just 2 years ago and were excited to be a part of the first U8 all girls team here at Buffalo and are currently part of the U10 program. I personally have also been actively involved in the program from the very start, stepping onto ice with skates on for the first time ever in 2018 so that I could become an assistant coach for the girls' team. Again, having grown up in a small town that didn't offer Hockey, I didn't know all the rules of the game, and have learned so much through being a coach, working with the girls on the teams, and watching all the amazing BYHA parents/families around me. I believe that our program is unmatched from any other program out there. You can see the passion and love that all the BYHA families have for this association and sport. While I LOVE being involved on the bench as a coach with the girls, I believe that I can offer even more to the program by being a part of this Board.

Professionally, I am the CFO at Wellbeats, Inc for the past 3 years. My team is accountable for planning, reporting and management of the Company's financial and operational results. I am responsible for guiding financial decisions, working closely with the CEO and driving results through strategic partnerships. I have a 15+ career in accounting and finance including roles at Boulay, US Bank and most recently as the Controller/Director of Accounting at North Memorial Health. I have a B.S degree from St. Cloud State University and an active CPA license. I have also been very active in Buffalo-Hanover- Montrose School from the day our children started school. I currently serve as the Treasurer for the Hanover Elementary School PTO Board.

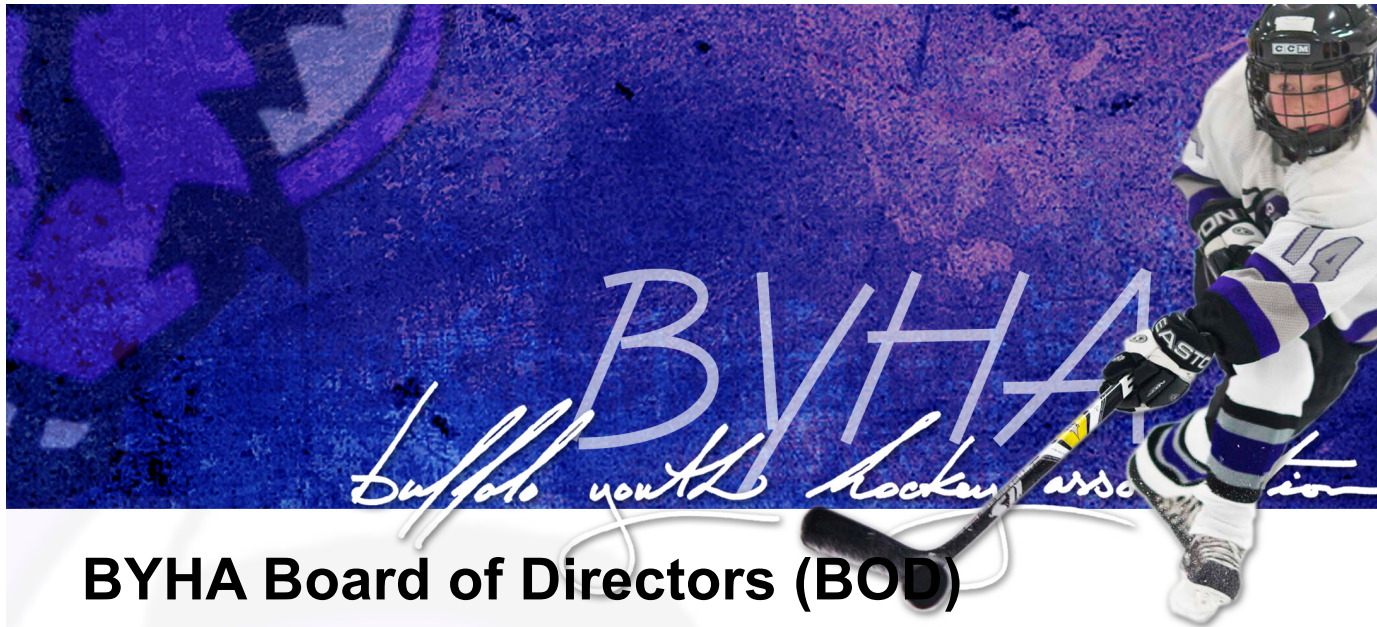
As a member of the BYHA board, I would bring a new and fresh perspective. To be a part of giving ALL the Youth current and to come, the "BYHA experience" would be an honor. I look forward to actively participating and helping to continue grow this amazing association to be the best it can be.

#Hockeyisfamily

Additional Notes:

The BOD would like to invite all BYHA members to our monthly board meetings. Meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm in the New Rink Conference Room. That being said, with the changes happening right now, we will most likely have to make a change to our April meeting. Stay tuned for details.

Meeting adjourned at 9:22pm.



BYHA Board of Directors (BOD)

March 2020	Position	Name	Phone	Term Expires
X	President	Lena Gawtry	612.386.1104	April 2021
	Vice President	Ryan Ferguson	612.719.2005	April 2021
X	Secretary	Maria Rosso	763.250.8949	April 2022
X	Treasurer	Hans Iverson	763.238.5018	April 2022
X	Director	Brandon Murphy	651.271.2090	April 2021
X	Director	Mike Honsey		April 2022
	Director	Danielle Rakos	612.720.2967	April 2021
	Director	Tiffany Grube		April 2022
X	Director	Mat Meyer	763.516.0761	April 2020
X	Director	Nathan Dixon		April 2021
X	Director	Shawn Kirschner		April 2022
NOTE: 8 Directors were present for March 2020 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	Scott Winter Derek Rosso		
Scheduling Director	Nicole Grahek		
Mites/Mini Mites Coordinator	Wes Asleson Ryan Huddy		
Away Tournament Coordinator	Jenny Sabetti		
Safesport Coordinator	Kelly Hinnenkamp Jason Munger		
Squirt Coordinator	Kent Baker DJ Dahlbec		
Girls Coordinator	David Schmidt Jenny Sabetti		
Boys HS Coach	Aaron Johnson		
Girls High School Coach	Dave Carothers		



Volunteers

D5 Rep	Ryan Ferguson
Equipment Manager	Mat Meyer Nathan Dixon
Wreath Coordinator	Bob Baxa
Marketing Coordinator	
Picture Coordinators	Mike and Lora Toussaint
Purchasing Coordinator	
Registration Coordinator	Danielle Rakos
One Goal Coordinator	Kyle Koren and Matt Griffith
S.C.O.R.E. Coordinator	Rissa Schrick
T.E.A.M. Coordinator	Molly Geislinger
Advertising/Sponsor Coordinator	Shawn Kirschner
Travelling Level Team Manager Coordinator	Kari Magaard
Initiation Level Team Manager Coordinator	Jess Lenton Leota Bemis
Home / Away Tournament	Jenny Sabetti



Coordinator	
Volunteer Coordinator	Erica Zielin-Wurm
Webmaster and Social Media Coordinator	Lena Gawtry
Billing Managers	Hans Iverson
	Tiffany Grube
Hall of Fame Committee Chair	