

**BYHA Monthly Meeting  
September 18, 2017 at 7:00pm  
Fogerty Arena, Blaine MN**

Attendance: Erick Sutherland, Steve Dahlk, Jamie Chester, Fred Hendrickson, Brett Quinn, Brian Bunes, Erik Johnson, Nancy Burley

This meeting was called order at 7:01pm by Erick Sutherland.

**Motion made (Chester) second (Hendrickson) to approve the 9/18/17 meeting agenda. Motion carried.**

**Charitable Gambling Report:** Suzanne reported that the contributions for the month of August were \$105,000. We have officially started with our new accountant and it's going smoothly.

**Motion made (Burley) second (Johnson) to approve the August charitable gambling report. Motion carried.**

**Motion made (Hendrickson) second (Burley) to approve the September proposed expenditures. Motion carried.**

**Secretary's Report:** Nancy reported that fundraising is underway for the season, orders are due 10/16, pick-up on 11/6. Volunteers are still needed for all tryout dates. Online apparel store is now open and can be found under the parent portal. The following motions were made between sessions:

**Motion made (Hendrickson) second (Bunes) to approve the appointment of Katie Horner as the Girls Coordinator for the 2017-2018 season. Motion carried on September 15.**

**Motion made (Bunes) second (Dahlk) to approve the purchase of 2 pairs of knit hockey socks for each traveling player, one pair for each color jersey, at the total estimated cost of \$5,700. Motions carried on September 11.**

**Motion made (Hendrickson) second (Chester) to approve hiring Ricks Swanstrom as U15A coach and Joe Gratz as U19 coach. Motion carried September 2.**

**Motion made (Bunes) second (Hendrickson) to approve spending \$4,760 on 160 new tryout jerseys and \$5,000 on pucks for all levels. Motion carried September 2.**

**Motion made (Dahlk) second (Hendrickson) to approve August 2017 meeting minutes. Motion carried.**

**Treasurer's Report:** Steve reported that traveling registration is officially closed. Registration money is being spent on all level trainings and the 20% down-payments required for ice bills.

**Vice President's Report:** No report

**President's Report:** Erick report on what has been discussed at District 10 meetings, including: coach trainings and certification dates being moved up to due before going on the ice; preliminary team declarations were made and will be finalized after tryouts. The board has been very busy with tryout preparations.

**Open Forum:** The Blaine High School Girls Hockey Boosters presented a donation request for \$20,500 to help cover costs for team equipment, training, etc. The Blaine High School Veterans Program also had a request that was given to the board ahead of the meeting to consider for a donation request. Tim Anderson from DashPro presented his fundraising opportunity of dashboard décor.

**The following waive-up requests were presented to the board for the 2017-2018 traveling program, to be considered in closed session.**

**U8 to U10: Samantha Kelzenburg, Colleigh Johnson, Hope Moore, Ashlyn Lindsay, Madeline Wolter, Delaine Balding, Grace Laager, Brynn MacKinnon**

**U10 to U12: Megan Wallin, Cierra Ledeen, Sophie S. (SLP)**

**U12 to U15: Anna Maeckelbergh, Hailey Hansen**

**Mites to Squirt: Ryland Rooney, Dylan Olson, Lincoln Husby, Sam Burns, Lucas Dugas**

**Squirt to Peewee: Joshua Lenzen, Landon Palmgren, Logan Meister, Nathan Roe, Santino Canevari**

**Peewee to Bantam: Stephen Campa, Ryan Wallin**

**Ice Scheduler:** Bill reported that he will load the practices through November 11 by the time tryouts are done and final teams are determined. Games will start on November 12, scheduling meetings for traveling take place on October 26 & 28. Mites, Cubs, Taste of Hockey, Goalie Training, Power Skating and FHIT schedules are all ready to go. The change of Peewee and U12's going to 80 minute games along with large amounts of teams in the traveling and in-house programs makes ice scheduling difficult, Bill does his best to put like-levels together and will use the remaining 80 minute blocks of ice for teams interested in practicing for that long. In-House game scheduling is November 14 or 15, U15 girls will schedule after this, Jr. Gold schedules the Monday after Thanksgiving. He fielded questions from the members about the possibility for additional hours.

**SKATE Coordinator:** No report

**Volunteer Coordinator:** Lindsay reported that we are short on volunteers for Thursday and the rest of tryouts as well; Nancy Burley will send out another reminder to members to sign up.

**Registrar:** Nancy reported that only 9 volunteers have registered thus far; many coaches have training and certifications left to complete. Discussions were had around Safesport, the addition of concussions certifications, etc. that are required to be rostered with District 10.

**Recruitment & Retention Coordinator:** Kraig reported that the Elementary School open houses went very well. Taste of Hockey's are coming up on September 25, 27, 30, he is recruiting the Girls and Boys High School players to assist; Nordy will be there on the 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Fundraising Coordinator:** No report

**Sponsorship Coordinator:** No report

**Boys Tournament Coordinator:** No report

**Girls Tournament Coordinator:** No report

**Girls Traveling Director:** Fred reported that the girls pre-skates have gone very well. He held a parent meeting last night that had a great turnout, they discussed information helpful to new and returning families, projected numbers at every level, waive-ups, how tryouts work, and coaches. Katie Horner has joined Fred in organizing and energizing the girls program. He's awaiting answers from Andover's Association before he can give updates to the members.

**Boys Traveling Director:** Jamie reported that he is working on waive-ups and will be putting together tryout pools as soon as those are determined. Evaluators and EMT's are set up for tryouts. Zak Spaniol has joined the team as a Coordinator for Boys during tryouts and will help ACE during the season as well. Pre-Skates are wrapping up and the last of the coaches will fall into place in the next few days.

**In-House Director:** Brett reported that in-house registration will remain open until a few days before Initiation Skates begin. He will be attending an In-House District meeting soon to discuss supplemental training for the Mite levels. Dave Arthur is continuing to work on Mite Sponsorships. Brett is holding a Mite Coaches meeting on September 28<sup>th</sup>.

**ACE Coordinator/Development Director:** Erik reported that the following teams/levels will be part of the Acceleration Training program: A & B Mites, U8, Squirt B2 & C. Tradition Hockey & Power Skating programs are being introduced this year to upper level Squirt and all Pee wee & Bantam teams, each team getting 6-7 sessions throughout the season. ProHybrid will be implemented for on- and off-ice goalie training; skater and goalie trainings will be scheduled at the same times so scheduled full team practices can remain most efficient. FHiT will remain the training program for girls U10, U12, U15 levels; each team will get 10 sessions and operate on a rotating schedule on Thursday evenings. A Tradition Hockey trainer will take the lead on all Mite D & C practices in November and December to help guide coaches into develop good on-ice presence and efficient practice plans. He is working with Bill to schedule all the trainings, and continues to reach out to coaches to get all certifications finalized before going on the ice.

**Equipment Director:** Brian reported that all tryout equipment has been ordered. He is continuing to work with Gemini on the new Girls jerseys & socks and replacement jerseys for Squirts and Girls; this company has been a challenge to work with in getting timely resolutions. He and Zak are setting up dates to check-in goalie equipment at the end of the season to check conditions and help prepare a budget to replace as-needed for the following season. He is assisting Brett with In-House duties as needed. Brian & Erick fielded questions about teams having a 3<sup>rd</sup> jersey made & paid for out of their own pockets.

**Old Business:** No old business to report

**New Business:** No new business to report.

**Motion made (Burley) second (Johnson) to close the session. Motion carried.**

Session closed at 8:02pm

**Closed Session** (opened at 8:40pm)

**Motion made (Johnson) second (Quinn) to approve a \$500 donation to the Blaine High School Veterans Day Program. Motion carried.**

**Motion made (Dahlk) second (Burley) to approve a \$16,000 donation to the Blaine High School Girls Hockey program. Motion carried.**

**Motion made (Hendrickson) second (Johnson) to approve all girls waive-up requests: U8 to U10, U10 to U12, U12 to U15, all are contingent on the 1/3 per team rule. Motion carried.**

**Motion made (Chester) second (Quinn) to approve all boys waive-up requests: Mite to Squirt, Squirt to Peewee, Peewee to Bantam, all are contingent on the 1/3 per team rule. Motion carried.**

Session closed at 9:20pm