



Bison Blueline

BYHA Newsletter – May 2022

Gambling Report:

Julie Prince presented gambling report. Started 6:45 PM

Board Members Present: Lena, Ryan, Danielle, Shawn, Kent, Eric, Jeremy and Dusty

Profit Carryover From this Month	\$216,296.53
Carry over increase / (decrease)	(\$30,326.48)
Gambling Operating Expense Request (Includes graduated tax rate)	\$120,200.00

We are reporting on the month of March. We had a great month of gambling. We are so appreciative to those who continue to support the BYHA through our pull-tab locations at the Thirsty Buffalo, J's Down Under, Wild Marsh and the Heights. We have no concluded our games at the Hitching Post in Annandale.

A motion to approve \$120,200.00 to cover estimated expenses. Julie bumped up expenses on the game because we are going through more games at each location, rent has been increased and we are also paying to reset the games.

- Shawn 1st, Danielle 2nd. No Discussion. All Approved and Motion Passed (7-0).

The board meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Attendance: 8 Directors

Lena Gawtry, Ryan Ferguson, Danielle Rakos, Shawn Kirschner, Kent Baker, Eric Kolkind, Jeremy Welter, and Dusty Pierce

Members Present:

Ryan Otto, Jessica Fudali, Aaron Johnson, Boys HS Hockey Captains, and Girls HS Hockey Captains

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 Purple Rink Conference Room. A two-week notice to the President is requested for time on the agenda.



The Boys and girls HS hockey captains visited the board. They asked the BYHA for donations to help them with their upcoming hockey seasons. They will use the donation for new ipads, software programs, and new equipment. They will continue to give back to the BYHA through a mentorship program. The donation request will get put into a preliminary budget and be reviewed by the finance committee and then later voted on by the board of directors.

Election of the Executive Board of Directors:

- President-Lena Gawtry
 - 1st-Shawn, 2nd-Ryan, No Discussion. Approved. 8-0
- Vice President-Ryan Ferguson
 - 1st-Shawn, 2nd - Dusty, No Discussion. Approved. 8-0
- Secretary-Danielle Rakos
 - 1st-Shawn, 2nd- Ryan. No discussion. Approved. 8-0
- Treasurer-Shawn Kirschner
 - 1st-Danielle, 2nd-Ryan. Help is needed - We have things in place, changing how we collect money for registration and how we collect monthly ice bills. Approved. 8-0.

Secretary Report:

There was a change from the April newsletter after it was published to update the status of the businesses that donate to the BYHA.

A motion to approve minutes for month of April 2022 (these have been posted on the BYHA website)

- 1st-Shawn, 2nd-Jeremy. No Discussion. All Approved and motion passed (8-0).

The board also had an email vote. This motion was to do a summer test with Hockey Labs -\$400

- 1st-Jeremy, 2nd-Dusty; Need to get feedback from the users on the program -survey?; Approved. 8-0

Treasurer Report:

Actuals:

1. Cash Balance (from prior month): \$462,754.82
2. Expenses paid: \$25,444.87 in expenses in April 2022
3. Estimated expenses upcoming: Anticipate expenses of \$65,970 in May 2022
4. Income received (prior month): \$25,464.67 in revenues
5. Estimated income upcoming: Anticipate revenues of \$0 in May 2022

A motion to approve the treasurer report was made.

- 1st-Ryan, 2nd- Danielle, No Discussion (8-0).

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We need to schedule a finance committee meeting to go over the preliminary budget for 2022. Our fiscal year ends in June. Budget requests have been sent out to the HOC and Coordinators to submit their requests to Lena and Shawn.

Registration Report:

Upcoming Registration for any returning skaters is Thursday, July 28th from 6-9 and then Sunday, August 14th from 5-8 at the Buffalo Civic Center. We will hold an additional Mite/Mini-Mite Registration on Saturday, October 1st from 9-12 at the rink. The Jr. Gold Registration date is TBD. The new online registration website is getting worked on. We need to finalize payments and ice fees for the upcoming season before it goes live. The plan is to not collect any payments during the registration process. Then an invoice will be sent out for registration and monthly ice fees (if applicable).

Jenn Eggersgluss is going to be the new Initiation Level Registration Coordinator. It will be easier to divide up the registration workload by having two people do this.

HOC Report

The next HOC meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 8th @ 7:00 PM in the Purple Rink Conference Room at the Buffalo Civic Center. This is the annual meeting with the Board of Directors and the Hockey Operations Committee.

- Positions for new terms:
 - VP -Yuri Preugchase (2 years - last two years as he transitions out)
 - 1st-Shawn, 2nd-Ryan, No discussion. Approved. 7-0
 - Girls Coordinator- Ben Guck
 - 1st-SHawn, 2nd-Dusty, ND. Approved. 7-0
 - 8U-Tiffany Dixon
 - 1st-Danielle, 2nd-Shawn, ND. A. 7-0
 - Try-outs-Brent Danzeisen
 - 1st-Shawn, 2nd-Ryan, Discussion is there a co coordinator. A.7-0
 - Squirts-OPEN (Recommendation to the Board Joe Saxton)
 - 1st-Shawn, 2nd-Jeremy, ND. A. 7-0
 - Tournaments-OPEN (to assist with Jenny Sabetti)
 - Player Development (Dryland Coordinator)-Ryan Otto
 - 1st-Shawn, 2nd-Jeremy, ND. A. 7-0
- No HOC meeting in June - only come to the joint meeting
- Boys High School-Aaron Johnson
 - Schedule was provided to BYHA for upcoming Season
- Girls High School - Ryan Huddy
 - Schedule was provided to BYHA for upcoming Season

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- Teams/ABC-Wes Asleson
 - Projections of where we were from last year and look at levels for next season
 - Team Levels as of now:
 - Girls
 - 15UB-27 and 1
 - 12U-27 and 3 (2 teams)
 - 10U-27 skaters and 1 goalie
 - 8U-29 players
 - Boys
 - Bantam-46 skaters and 5 goalies (3 big teams)
 - Possibly have to take a goalie at JV
 - PeeWee-53 skaters and 7? Goalies (4 teams)
 - Squirt-66 players (at least 5 teams)
 - Mites (goal is 50 new skaters)
 - 62 Players
 - Peer Move Ups- 4th graders can tryout and make the team that they make; any move ups have to stay at the lowest level team
- Coaching Coordinators - Rissa Peterson and Mark Lemen
 - Non parent coaches - Paul asked for 6 coaches for 2022-23
 - 3 paid at JRG
 - Bantam and PeeWee
 - How are we advertising the open positions
 - Let's Play Hockey Advertising
 - MN Hockey - Advertise with them
 - Risa got the survey out to the coaches
- Girls Coordinators - Ben Guck and Amy Kotish
 - No updates
- Player Development - Derek Rosso and Jamie Johnson
 - 10,000 Puck Club - Jennifer Johnson
 - Waiting on the blankets
 - Prizes will be handed out to the participants at the SCORE party
 - Look at trying to get more ice touches for the kids
 - Derek will send over his Budget
- Mites- Ryan Huddy and Tiffany Dixon
 - Little Wild Program
 - Does overlap the beginning of the season - goes into clinics and try-outs
 - Learn to Skate - June and August
 - One Goal (September)
- Squirts - Keith Jerpseth and Joe Saxton
 - Try to encourage more goalies at Squirts/10U - look at more goalie equipment
- Safesport - Kelly Hinnenkamp and Michelle Munn
 - Have a specific roster for LRM for the 2022-23 season

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- Goalies - Matt Griffith and Tristin Baker
 - Megas prices went up this upcoming year. The kids liked MEGA sessions. Look at options for summer goalie programs.
 - Matt will send over his proposed budget.
- Try-Outs - Brent Danziesen and Bob Schroeden
 - Team Genius (Budget Item) - Received invoice this past week
 - Need a handful of new tryout jerseys
 - Will work with the ice schedulers to plan out when we have tryout dates - older levels on
- Tournaments - Jennifer Sabetti
 - Jenny will work on scheduling tournaments for the upcoming season. The plan is to have three tournaments for all upper level travel teams. Squirts and 10U will have two tournaments and their home scrimmage fest.
- Ice Schedulers - Hans and Sadie Iverson
 - Starting to work on the calendar now that we have the boys and girls HS schedules submitted.
 - Hans and Sadie met with Derek and Yuri - ideas to get more touches above and beyond what we had this past year
 - This upcoming season, the ice schedulers will give team manager and coaches their expectations and scrimmages for the year - give them better guidance for the season
- Jr. Gold - Matt Frolik
 - Coaches meeting about working on the handbook - Mat will email over the notes from their meeting with Yuri and myself.
 - Tryouts - Placements after the HS cuts are made
 - JRG can have 18 skaters and 2 goalies on team
 - Minimum that Mat would like to have 13-15 players per team
- VP of HOC - Yuri Preugchas
 - Hockey Labs (summer test)
 - Meeting next week with Hello Team (similar program to hockey labs)
 - Creative Ice Time Ideas - Ideas to hello with the number of ice touches
 - Budget items - what do we need
 - Get lists together for what we need for next year

District 5 Report:

The next D5 meeting will be on Wednesday, August 3rd @ 7:00 PM.

Volunteer Report:

We will work with Sarah to finalize DIBS for the season.

Advertising/Sponsorship:

Save the date: The Ice In party will be Saturday, September 17th at the Buffalo Civic Center. This year we are going to do curling. More details to come!



Marketing:

New banners will be created for the parades and upcoming events. We will be in the Buffalo, Annandale, Hanover, and Montrose parades this summer. We will also have a booth at the kids fishing clinic on Saturday, June 18th. A motion was made to spend no more than \$150 on new banners. 1st-Dusty, 2nd-Ryan. No Discussion. Approved. 7-0

We also are going to create a flyer to promote the Learn to Play, One Goal, Little Wild and the Registration dates. This flyer will be sent to all Buffalo, Hanover, Montrose, and Annandale elementary schools. The cost of 3200 flyers is \$645 and then would need to include extras for parades and the kids fishing clinic. These will be printed with Judy at Royal Printing. A motion was made to spend up to \$850 on flyers. 1st-Jeremy, 2nd-Danielle. No discussion. Approved. 6-0

Equipment Report:

Nathan Dixon and Kent Baker are going through inventory and will put together a list of what we need or what needs to be replaced. They are also getting bids for jerseys and socks.

Apparel:

Mike Honsey is looking at new apparel for the upcoming season. We hope to have new items for the in person registration dates this summer.

Concession Stand:

Kent Baker is going to be the new board contact for the concessions stand.

We are working with the city of Buffalo on the Concessions Stand Contract.

We need new microwaves. Pam Baker will get us quotes.

City of Buffalo:

Some of the board members have been meeting with the city on the proposition of building a new rink. We have made our intent to the city that we would like a new rink. We are waiting on a feasibility study that the city is conducting on the Peterson Rink.

JP Wright (Rink Manager) is taking over the Ad sponsorships from Chris F. Jeremy Welter is going to meet with JP to discuss the new ad structure for the upcoming seasons.

The Civic Center is going to have a Beer and Bags festival on Saturday, September 24th. There will be a bean bag tournament from 2-5, beer sampling, food trucks. A band playing from 5-7. There will then be a charity hockey game at 7 PM. They are looking for sponsors for this event. If interested, please contact JP Wright at the Civic Center.



Pro-Shop:

We will continue to sell our pro-shop items out of the Apparel Room and the Vending Machine this year.

New Business:

The MN Hockey Leadership Conference was at the end of April. Lena will pass along the presentations from this meeting to the board and hoc.

Our 50th Anniversary was in April. We will celebrate this whole season long!!!

Review the current BYHA Handbook. We will review this at the next meeting with the board and hoc in June.

Meeting adjourned at 8:53 PM.

BYHA Board of Directors (BOD)

	Position	Name	Phone	Term Expires
x	President	Lena Gawtry	612.386.1104	April 2024
x	Vice President	Ryan Ferguson	612.719.2005	April 2024
x	Secretary	Danielle Rakos	612.720.2967	April 2024
x	Treasurer	Shawn Kirschner	612.245.0051	April 2025
x	Director	Jeremy Welter	763.438.2487	April 2025
	Director	Mike Honsey	612.979.6837	April 2025
x	Director	Eric Kolkind	612.382.6900	April 2025
x	Director	Kent Baker	612.366.6191	April 2024
x	Director	Dusty Pierce	763.398.9828	April 2024
NOTE: 8 Directors were present for May 2022 meeting.				

BYHA Hockey Operations Committee (HOC)

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Position	Name	Phone	Term Expires
HOC President	Yuri Preugschas	763.258.3594	
Coaching Coordinator(s)	Risa Peterson Mark Lemen		
Player Development Coordinator(s)	Derek Rosso Jamie Johnson Jennifer Johnson Ryan Otto		
Goalie Development Coordinator(s)	Matt Griffith Tristin Baker		
A/B/C Coordinator	Wes Asleson		
Tryout Coordinator(s)	Brent Danzeisen Bob Schroden		
Scheduling Director	Hans Iverson Sadie Iverson		
Mites/Mini Mites Coordinator(s)	Ryan Huddy Tiffany Dixon		
Tournament Coordinator	Jenny Sabetti		
Safesport Coordinator(s)	Kelly Hinnenkamp Michelle Munn		
Squirt Coordinator(s)	Keith Jerpseth Joe Saxton		
Girls Coordinator(s)	Ben Guck Amy Kotish		
Boys HS Coach	Aaron Johnson		
Girls HS Coach	Ryan Huddy		

Volunteers

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D5 Rep	Ryan Ferguson	
Equipment Manager	Nathan Dixon Kent Baker	
Wreath Coordinator	Erica Wurm	
Marketing Coordinator	Sheryl Workman	
Social Media Coordinators	Sara Kubu Megan Omann	
Picture Coordinators	Michele Siemek	
Purchasing Coordinator		
Registration Coordinator	Danielle Rakos Jenn Eggersgluss	
One Goal Coordinator	Matt Griffith Chris Pearsall	
S.C.O.R.E. Coordinator	Rissa Schrick	
T.E.A.M. Coordinator	*Position Open	
Advertising/Sponsorship Coordinator	Shawn Kirschner Jeremy Welter	
Traveling Level Team Manager Coordinator	Kari Magaard Heather Knight	
Initiation Level Team Manager Coordinator	Leota Bemis	
Home / Away Tournament	Jenny Sabetti	

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Coordinator		
Volunteer Coordinator	Sarah Shult	
Webmaster	Lena Gawtry Tate Moser	
Billing Managers	Shawn Kirschner Lakeside Consulting - Sara Kubu	
Hall of Fame Committee Chair	Dusty Pierce	