



Bison Blueline

BYHA Newsletter – April 2023

Gambling Report:

Julie gave a gambling report update. Started 6:45pm

Board Members Present:

Lena, Ryan, Mike, Kent, Dusty, Eric, and Jeremy

Reporting for the month of February:

Profit Carryover From this Month	\$222,762.04
Carry over increase / (decrease)	\$33,630.40
Gambling Operating Expense Request (Includes graduated tax rate)	\$169,700

A motion to approve \$169,700 was made (\$129,700 for gambling expenses and then \$50,000 for the BYHA).

- 1st Mike 2nd Ryan. No Discussion. All Approved and Motion Passed (5-0).

Wild Marsh gambling should be up and running soon. Go check out the new bar, it looks great!

We need to rent another storage facility for our gambling inventory – equip it with shelving – hopefully we will be able to get one large enough to condense into one unit.

BINDO – next Monday – 60 #'s!!!

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

Event Schedule

HOC Meeting:

First Sunday of the month @ 7:00 PM
Next meeting will be May 10th

BYHA Board Meeting

Second Wednesday of the
month @ 7:00 pm
Next Meeting will be April 12th

Gambling

THIRSTY BUFFALO

Bingo: Monday 7:00pm – 9:00pm.

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

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

The Heights - Buffalo

Pulltabs: Sunday – Saturday 11am-11pm

J's Down Under - Buffalo

Pulltabs: Monday-Thursday 3pm-11pm,
Friday-Sunday 12pm-12am

Meat Raffle:

Wednesday and Saturday 5:30pm



Attendance: 7 Directors

Lena Gawtry, Ryan Ferguson, Mike Honsey, Kent Baker, Jeremy Welter, Eric Koklind & Dusty Pierce

Members Present:

Ryan Otto, Jennifer Kurth, Bridget Lindeman

President Report:

ANNUAL Meeting – Election Night (Voting Polls opened at 6:30 PM)

We would like to invite all of our members 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:

No changes made to the March newsletter.

A motion to approve minutes for months of February 2023.

- Ryan 1st, Dusty 2nd. No Discussion. All Approved and motion passed (6-0).

Treasurer Report:

Actuals:

1. Cash Balance (from prior month): \$x
2. Expenses paid: \$x in expenses in March 2023
3. Estimated expenses upcoming: Anticipate expenses of \$x in May 2023
4. Income received (prior month): \$x in revenues
5. Estimated income upcoming: Anticipate revenues of \$x in May 2023

A motion to approve the treasurer report was made.

- Ryan 1st, Eric 2nd. No Discussion and motion passed (6-0).

BYHA now has a Venmo account. Parents can now make payments through our Venmo account using the account name @BYHA-MN and code 1104



HOC Report

The next HOC meeting will be held on Sunday, May 7th @ 7:00 PM in the Purple Rink Conference Room at the Buffalo Civic Center. Members of the BYHA are also able to attend this meeting. If you would like to be placed on the HOC Agenda, a two-week notice to the HOC VP is required.

HOC Department Update:

- **Boys High School** - Aaron Johnson
- **Girls High School** - Ryan Huddy
- **Teams/ABC** - Wes Asleson
 - Pee wee C Program - will probably have 5-6 teams coming out of the district for the 2023-24 season - there was a value there. We will have our own league, we are hosting a tournament.
 - Bantam teams -we are looking at having 4 next year.
 - District not doing the cross-over leagues - leverage our relationship with other associations to get games scheduled with us. We need to stay on top of game scheduling next season - big role for the managers.
- **Coaching Coordinators** - Risa Peterson and Mark Lemen
- **Girls Coordinators** - Ben Guck and Amy Kotish
- **Player Development** - Derek Rosso and Jamie Johnson (2 open positions)
- **Mites** - Ryan Huddy and Tiffany Dixon (1 open position)
 - Learn to skate over the summer - we need to get coaches out to help with this event. Working with the coaching coordinators to get people signed up for this.
- **Squirts** - Keith Jerpseth and Joe Saxton (1 open position)
- **Safesport** - Michelle Munn (1 open position)
- **Goalies** - Matt Griffith and Tristin Baker
- **Try-Outs** - Brent Danziesen and Josh Hawkinson
- **Tournaments** - Jennifer Sabetti (2 open positions)
- **Ice Schedulers** - Hans and Sadie Iverson/Colin and Carly Hribal
- **Jr. Gold** - Matt Frolik
- **Vice President** - Yuri
 - Application Dates Due: April 21st
 - Interview Process



- Positions opening that we are currently aware of:
 - Home Tournament Coordinator
 - Away Tournament Coordinator
 - Player Development Coordinator (2 needed)
 - Safesport Coordinator
 - Mite/U8 Coordinator
 - Squirt Coordinator
 - Tryout Coordinator

If interested, reach out to a board or HOC member for more details.

District 5 Report:

In April, our rep should be going ready with tournaments in April and should be ready to talk preliminary numbers for teams for next year.

MN Hockey ALEC (Leadership Conference) is May 5-6th at the Marriott Minneapolis West in St. Louis Park - Buffalo must send 3 or we will be fined \$500 by the district.

Association Rep/Ice Scheduler changes need to be submitted to the district.

Newly Elected D5 Board Members:

- MN Hockey District Director – Nate Wold
- D5 President – Lena Gawtry
- 1st Vice President – Kevin Mooney

Volunteer Report:

Working on the reconciliation of checks vs. hours.

Concession Stand:

- Nearing the end of the season.
- Closing this weekend for the season. Will re-open on April 30th for the Spring Figure Skating Show.
- Candy for pucks was a hit! Lots of pucks were recovered.

Apparel:



- Megan Omann taking over this going forward. Will be sprucing up the shop.

Pro-Shop/Equipment Report:

Working on cleaning out the equipment room. Getting rid of junk and putting new shelves up there to organize.

Need to clean up the old equipment and do inventory. Will be working with Play it Again Sports-Buffalo to get rid of the old equipment.

City of Buffalo:

- City of Buffalo got the feasibility study back. Working through this. Also included a new rendering study. Trying to find a number that works for all of us!
- Still working on the contract with the city for the concessions stand and apparel. We are working on doing a multi-year contract to coincide with our current lease.

Wall of Fame:

Dusty is working on getting this up and running. Have a new nominee. Working on getting another nominee and will do something this fall.

Tournament Report

- We are in need of a HOME and an AWAY Tournament Coordinator. Reach out to Yuri (HOC VP) if you are interested in either of these positions.
- See HOC report above for additional information.

Registration Report:

Will be getting dates for the 2023-24 season soon.

Ice Scheduler Report

No updates at this time.

Advertising/Sponsorship/Fundraising:

Ice in Party- looking for people wanting to get involved with planning these. Ice In Party 2023 will be Sept 9, 2023.

Marketing/Recruitment/Retention:

Community Lawn Care donated \$672.25. This is due to the weed control and fertilizer ordered through Community Lawn Care. Order your weed control and fertilizer through Community Lawn Care to support BYHA!



Kids Fishing Clinic – Saturday, June 17th @ 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Parades:

- Buffalo: Saturday, June 17th @ 6 PM
- Annandale: Tuesday, July 4th @ 10 AM
- Hanover: Saturday, August 5th @ 11 AM
- Montrose (TBD)

New Business:

Looking at getting a BYHA cell phone. We currently do not have a phone number and are using a private number for our venmo account.

A motion was made to purchase a new scoreboard for the Peterson rink – matching what is in the Purple Rink.
1st- Mike, 2nd-Ryan. ND. Approved. 5-0

Board Election Results:

- Nathan Domagala – 24 votes
- Tom Blaeser - 19 votes
- Deb Blaeser – 30 votes
- Jacob Comee – 39 votes
- Megan Omann – 23 votes
- Bridget Lindeman – 38 votes
- Maria Rosso – 33 votes

Congratulations to Jacob Comee, Bridget Lindeman, and Maria Rosso who will have 3-year terms on the board of directors.

An end of year survey will be going out to the families in the month of May.

Additional Notes:

Meeting adjourned at 8:54 PM



Please continue to support the businesses who support us:

- A110 Athletics
- Adjust to Health Chiropractic
- Andy Austin
- Annandale Art and Textile Center
- Artistic Me
- Bayer Built Woodworks
- Big Bore Barbecue Co
- Billy D's Crooked Tavern
- BJ's Deli
- Brenner Dental Group
- Bridging Hope Counseling
- Buff N Glo Car Wash
- Buffalo American Legion Post 270
- Buffalo Bison Hockey STP
- Buffalo Books
- Buffalo Chiropractic Clinic
- Buffalo Pizza
- Carlson & Jones, PA
- Christensen Group Insurance
- City of Buffalo
- CK Seafood
- Community Lawn Care
- CorTrust Bank
- Coborn's Buffalo
- CUB Foods
- Dixon Farms
- Domino's Pizza-Buffalo
- First Class Mortgage – Dulcea Arden
- Hat Trick Hockey
- Holiday Station Stores - Annandale
- Huikko's Bowling and Event Center
- In Hot Water Coffee Shop
- Insurance Center of Buffalo
- J&J Athletics
- Jimmy Johns - Buffalo
- Jimmy's Pizza-Annandale
- Johnson, Larson & Peterson P. A.
- Kwik Trip –Buffalo
- Lakeside Nutrition
- LPG & NH3 Supply, Inc.
- Mill Creek Inn
- Miller's Jewelry
- MidCountry Bank
- Old National Bank
- Omann Brothers Paving
- P-M Custom Woodworking
- Play It Again Sports - Buffalo
- ProTech Restoration
- Production Stamping
- Ryan Chevrolet
- SDP Hockey (Select Development Program)
- South Brook Gold Club and Grill
- Spilled Grain Brewhouse
- State Farm – Mark Olson
- 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?
- You Betcha Popcorn



BYHA Board of Directors (BOD)

April 2023	Position	Name	Phone	Term Expires
x	President	Lena Gawtry	612.386.1104	April 2024
x	Vice President	Ryan Ferguson	612.719.2005	April 2024
	Secretary	Danielle Rakos	612.720.2967	April 2024
	Director			
x	Director	Jeremy Welter	763.438.2487	April 2025
x	Treasurer	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	Dustin Pierce	763.398.9828	April 2024
NOTE: 7 Directors were present for April 2023 meeting.				

BYHA Hockey Operations Committee (HOC)



Position	Name	Phone	Term Expires
HOC President	Yuri Preugschas	763.258.3594	
ACE/HEP & Asst. Coaching Coordinator	Rissa Peterson Mark Lemen		
Player Development Coordinator	Derek Rosso Jamie Johnson Jennifer Johnson Ryan Otto		
Goalie Development Coordinator	Tristin Baker Matt Griffith		
A/B/C/5000 Puck Coordinator	Wes Asleson		
Tryout Coordinator	Brent Danzeisen Bob Schroeden		
Scheduling Director	Hans Iverson Sadie Iverson		
Mites/Mini Mites Coordinator	Ryan Huddy Tiffany Dixon		
Away Tournament Coordinator	Jenny Sabetti		
Safesport Coordinator(s)	Kelly Hinnenkamp Michelle Munn		
Squirt Coordinator	Joe Saxton Keith Jerpseth		
Girls Coordinator	Ben Guck Amy Kotish		
Boys HS Coach	Aaron Johnson		
Girls High School Coach	Ryan Huddy		



Volunteers

D5 Rep	Ryan Ferguson
Equipment Manager	Nathan Dixon Kent Baker
Wreath Coordinator	Erica Wurm
Marketing Coordinator	Sheryl Workman
Picture Coordinators	Michele Siemek
Purchasing Coordinator	
Registration Coordinator	Danielle Rakos (travel) Jenn Eggegluss (mites/minis)
One Goal Coordinator	Matt Griffith Chris Pearsall
S.C.O.R.E. Coordinator	Rissa Schrick
T.E.A.M. Coordinator	
Advertising/Sponsorship Coordinator	Shawn Kirschner Jeremy Welter
Travelling Level Team Manager Coordinator	Kari Magaard Heather Knight
Initiation Level Team Manager Coordinator	Leota Bemis



Home / Away Tournament Coordinator	Jenny Sabetti
Volunteer Coordinator	Sarah Shult
Webmaster and Social Media Coordinator	Lena Gawtry/Tate Moser
	Sara Kubu/ Megan Omann
Billing Managers	Shawn Kirschner Lakeside Consulting – Sara Kubu
Hall of Fame Committee Chair	Dusty Pierce