



## **Bison Blueline**

BYHA Newsletter – October 2025

### **Gambling Report:**

Julie gave the gambling report update. Started 7:00pm

Reporting on the month of August (always report 2 months behind). We had a good month at all of our locations. Thank you to all of our members who continue to support our gambling partners.

BYHA continues to receive a 5-Star rating for our gambling operations this month.

### **Board Members Present:**

Matt A., Jeremy, Maria, Kent, Bridget, Jake, Adam, Alex, Brandon, and Shannon

Julie is requesting \$150,700 for the month of October.

A motion was made to approve \$150,700 (\$120,700 for gambling expenses and \$30,000 for the BYHA).

- Kent 1<sup>st</sup>, Jeremy 2<sup>nd</sup>. No Discussion. Approved and Motion Passed (9-0).

Profit Carryover From this Month	\$201,666.63
Carry over increase / (decrease)	\$13,476.90
Gambling Operating Expense Request (Includes graduated tax rate)	\$150,700

### **Event Schedule**

#### **HOC Meeting**

Meeting has moved to second Wednesday  
before BOD meeting  
November 12th 2025 at 6pm

#### **BYHA Board Meeting**

Second Wednesday of the  
month @ 7:00 pm  
Next Meeting will be November 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 UND'R - BUFFALO**

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

**Meat Raffle:**  
Saturday 4:00pm

#### **TAP INN WILD MARSH - BUFFALO**

**Pulltabs:** 11am-10pm

#### **EVELYN'S WINE BAR - BUFFALO**

**Pulltabs and ETags:** 5pm-9pm

#### **HAYES' PUBLIC HOUSE - BUFFALO**

**ETags**



**The board meeting was called to order at 7:05pm.**

**Attendance: 11 Directors**

Matt Adams, Jeremy Welter, Maria Rosso, Kent Baker, Bridget Lindeman, Jake Comee, Adam Hennen, Brandon Gladu, Shannon Worden, and Alex Trogstad (Dan Gladu arrived late)

**Visitors:**

High school girls hockey players- Senja Niemela, Marley Honsey and Ailie Krueger

The girls came to thank the BOD for their continued support for the high school program. The team plans to give back to BYHA by continuing to help with programs such as Little Wild and the mentorship program.

A motion to approve a donation of \$5,000 to the Girls high school team

- Jeremy 1<sup>st</sup>, Shannon 2<sup>nd</sup>. No Discussion. All Approved and motion passed (9-0).

**Members Present:**

Tina Klaphake, Melissa Meemken, Keith Jerpseth, Serinity Kurzhals

**President Report:**

We would like to invite all our members to our monthly board meetings. These are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.*





### Secretary Report:

There was an email vote on September 16, 2025

A motion was made to invest up to \$3,900 for the Spiideo Platform on a 1 year contract. (This will include 25 games including the auto data that can be shared amongst teams)

- Jake 1<sup>st</sup>, Deb 2<sup>nd</sup>.

o Discussion on the motion:

- LiveBarn doesn't offer the same tools that this would offer to help enhance film sessions. Not renewing Coaches Site. They will be setting up training sessions for coaches. Buy-in at the top teams will be there. Top players are already getting this from non-association teams. Would be a great tool for coaches to implement.
- Will the benefit be seen by every team in BYHA? Should money be spent on another software program without a plan in place for implementation. Concern about last minute implementation without association wide buy-in or plan in place. Would money be better spent on shooting clinics or new training equipment? Hold off until the next meeting instead of discussing and voting over email on a motion with this cost level. Suggestion to table this for a year to get a plan work it into the budget. Concerns about the budget report from last month that reported a tighter budget than in years past. Belief that only a few select teams will utilize the tools offered. Will HOC (or who will be the point person) be implementing and training coaches and checking to see that teams are utilizing it? Hesitation around a 3-year contract, would there be a 1-year option available. Option for utilizing the Purple rink camera (with high school) for lower cost for 1-year trial.

o **Motion passed 7-5 (No - Maria, Brandon, Bridget, Dan and Kent)**

A motion to approve minutes for month of September 2025

- Jake 1<sup>st</sup>, Adam 2<sup>nd</sup>. No Discussion. All Approved and motion passed (9-0).





### HOC Report

Members of the BYHA are 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.

The HOC meeting time has changed to the second Wednesday of the month at 6pm. The Board meeting will immediately follow the HOC meeting at 7pm.

### HOC Department Updates:

- **VP** - No updates at this time
- **Player Development** - Austin scheduled for during pre-season clinics. Great feedback received from the players and coaches. Considering having a contact clinic for peewee/12s this season.
- **Squirts** - No updates at this time.
- **Girls High School** - Tryouts will happen October 27-29th.
- **Boys High School** - No updates at this time.
- **Coaching Coordinators** - Planning to get a coaches meeting on the schedule.
- **Girls Coordinators** - The girls coordinator position is open. If you are interested in serving in the role, please reach out to a member of the HOC or BOD to get more information.
- **Goalie Coordinators** - Mega will be starting soon.
- **Mite/8U Coordinators** -
  - A motion was made for Dan Gladu to be the Mite Director for a 2-year term.
    - Alex 1st, Adam 2nd. No Discussion and motion passed (9-0).
- **Try-Outs** - Tryouts are going smooth for all levels.
- **Jr. Gold** - Numbers are still low but will increase as the deadline approaches. Looking to field two teams this season.





- **Away Tournament Coordinator** - Tournaments are booked. Finalizing remaining two hotels in the next week.
- **Ice Schedulers** - There will be 3-team practices when it makes sense. U8s will be sharing ice with Delano girls 1x month. Schedules are ready, waiting on approval.
- **Teams/ABC** -
  - o A motion was made for 3 bantam teams with one each at the AA, B1 and B2 levels. The teams to range in size from 15-18 skaters with a maximum of 1 team having 15 skaters and each team having a minimum of 1 goalie. If player numbers decline below the current total of 49 prior to 12/31 each will continue to have a minimum of 15 skaters unless total skater amount falls below 45. Players will not be moved down.
    - **Jeremy 1st, Kent 2nd. Discussion: Players will not be moved down to fill roster spots. If AA loses one player there would be a move up to fill the 15th spot. Don't want to potentially have 14 players on one team and 18 on another. Motion passed (8,2) No - Jake, Adam**
  - o A motion was made for 4 peewee teams with one each at the AA, B1, B2 and C levels. The teams to range in size from 13-15 skaters with a maximum of 2 team having 13 skaters and each team having a minimum of 1 goalie. If player numbers decline below the current total of 55 prior to 12/31 each will continue to have a minimum of 13 skaters unless total skater amount falls below 52. Players will not be moved down.
    - **Jeremy 1st, Shannon 2nd. No discussion and Motion passed (10-0) A motion was made to approve the U15 team breakdowns. A team (13min-14max), B team (13min-15max). Kent 1st, Adam 2nd. No discussion and motion passed (10, 0)**





- o A motion was made for 5 squirt teams with one each at the A, B1, B2 and 2-C levels. The teams to range in size from 11-12 players with a maximum of 2 team having 11 players.
  - **Jeremy 1st, Adam 2nd. No discussion and motion passed (10, 0)**
- o A motion was made to approve the U12 team breakdowns. A team (10 skaters, 1 goalie), B team (10 skaters, 2 goalies).
  - **Adam 1st, Jeremy 2nd. No discussion and motion passed (10, 0)**
- o A motion was made to approve the U10 team breakdowns. A team (11-12 players), B team (11-12 players).
  - **Jeremy 1st, Adam 2nd. No discussion and motion passed (10, 0)**

There is an open position for tryout coordinator, bantam coordinator, and girls coordinator. If interested, please reach out to Risa or anyone on the HOC or Board.

### Treasurer Report:

#### **Actuals:**

- 1.Cash Balance (from prior month): \$514,812.17
- 2.Expenses paid: \$121,494 in expenses in September 2025
- 3.Estimated expenses upcoming: Anticipate expenses of \$35,000 in October 2025
- 4.Income received (prior month): \$58,346 in revenues
- 5.Estimated income upcoming: Anticipate revenues of \$49,948 in October 2025

The budget is still running tighter than in years past at this point in the season. The BOD will need to keep an eye on budget requests this season and plan accordingly.

The Annandale/Maple Lake Boosters made a \$500 donation to BYHA.

Marco Technologies made \$2,500 donation to BYHA.

Dennis Nelson made a \$1,000 donation to BYHA in honor of Alex and Danielle Rakos.



A motion was made to approve the Fidelity check donation to the general fund.

- Alex 1st, Adam 2nd. No Discussion and motion passed (9-0).

A motion was made to approve the treasurer report.

- Shannon 1st, Adam 2nd. No Discussion and motion passed (9-0).

**BYHA has a Venmo account. Parents can make payments through our Venmo account using the account name @BYHA-MN and code 3967**

#### **District 5 Report:**

No update at this time.

#### **Vice President**

Each traveling team can have up to 5 scrimmages before their official team roster is approved. Teams need to send any scrimmages that are going to take place before they receive their official USA Hockey roster to Deb and include the date of scrimmage, opponent and location. Must be approved by D5 Director prior to taking place or BYHA will be fined.

Girls Hockey Day will be October 13th with the help of Jami Johnson. Pizza, prizes and fun for girls! More details will be posted.

#### **Concession Stand:**

BYHA is fixing the coffee machine and the fridge.

#### **Apparel:**

Pro Shop is ready to go for the season. Stop by and shop!

#### **Equipment Report:**

Jerseys are almost ready to be distributed. Team managers will need to turn in a \$600 deposit check before receiving team jerseys. Shooting area should be complete soon. Kent is waiting on tarps and will install when they arrive. Looking into lock options for the shooting area.





### Volunteer Report:

Please sign up early for DIBS shifts. Thank you to those who have already stepped up to help in the early season.

### City of Buffalo:

The BYHA lease is expiring August 2026. Will need to start working on new lease in the coming months.

### Registration Report:

Almost all coaches are registered at this time. Girls are rostered and almost completed in USA Hockey. Sports Engine is getting set up.

### SafeSport:

No updates at this time. Good job to the bantam boys for not entering the locker room without an adult present.

### Advertising/Sponsorship/Fundraising:

Looking into Dirty Dangles fundraiser. More information to come. Getting information on hosting a pizza fundraiser.

### Marketing/Recruitment/Retention:

3 new girls skaters have signed up in the past weeks. Girls Hockey Day and pricing incentives seem to have a positive impact.

### Culture/Sportsmanship

Window clings will be here soon. Talking with JP to get them installed.

### Mentorship Program

No updates at this time.

### New Business:

### Additional Notes:

Rock on Ice dates:

10/24 6:30-8:30pm

11/28 6:00-8:00pm





1/2 6:00-8:00pm

2/13 6:00-8:00pm

Meeting adjourned at 9:12pm.

**Please continue to support the businesses who support us:**

- Allina Health
- Alpine Hardwood
- Bayer Built Woodworks
- Buffalo Pizza
- Community Lawn Care
- CorTrust Bank
- Coborn's Buffalo
- Dunkin' Donuts
- E & M Outdoors
- Evelyn's Wine Bar
- Insurance Center of Buffalo
- J's Down Under
- Just Once Viking Shop
- Lake Country Decks
- North Star Pro Reality
- Omann Brothers Paving
- Otter
- Play It Again Sports - Buffalo
- Ryan Auto Mall
- State Farm – Mark Olson
- State Farm - Troy Crank
- Stellis Health
- The Heights
- Thirsty Buffalo
- Wave Armor
- What's the Scoop?
- Wild Marsh



## BYHA Board of Directors (BOD)

October 2025	Position	Name	Term Expires
X	<b>President</b>	Matt Adams	April 2027
	<b>Vice President</b>	Deb Blaeser	April 2027
X	<b>Secretary</b>	Maria Rosso	April 2026
X	<b>Treasurer</b>	Jeremy Welter	April 2028
X	<b>Director</b>	Kent Baker	April 2027
X	<b>Director</b>	Bridget Lindeman	April 2026
X	<b>Director</b>	Jake Comee	April 2026
	<b>Director</b>	Matt Rickheim	April 2027
X	<b>Director</b>	Adam Hennen	April 2027
X	<b>Director</b>	Dan Gladu	April 2028
X	<b>Director</b>	Brandon Gladu	April 2028
X	<b>Director</b>	Alex Trogstad	April 2026
X	<b>Director</b>	Shannon Worden	April 2026
NOTE: 11 Directors were present for October 2025 meeting.			





## BYHA Hockey Operations Committee (HOC)

Position	Name
HOC Vice President	Risa Peterson
Coaching Coordinator	
Player Development Co-Coordinators	Adam Stewart Keith Jerpseth
Goalie Development Co-Coordinators	Matt Griffith Nate Dixon
Tryout Co-Coordinator	Mike Peterson
Scheduling Director	Colin & Carly Hribal
Jr. Gold Director	Josh Hawkinson Brent Tanzeisen
Mites/Mini Mites Coordinator	Devon McNamara
HOME Tournament Coordinator	Breanna Bouley
Away Tournament Coordinator	Serinity Kurzhals
Safesport Coordinator	Tina Klaphake
Peewee Director	Chris Pearsall
Squirt Director	Aaron Johnson
Squirt Coordinator	Michelle Munn
Girls Coordinator	Amy Kotish



Boys HS Coach	Aaron Johnson
Girls High School Coach	Ryan Huddy

## Volunteers

D5 Rep	Adam Hennen
Equipment Manager	Kent Baker
ProShop Manager	Jamie Johnson
Wreath Coordinator	Caitlin Chovan
Marketing Coordinator	Sheryl Workman
Picture Coordinator	Michele Siemek
Registration Coordinator	Bridget Lindeman and Deb Blaser Alicia Kettenacker (Initiation level)
One Goal Coordinator	Matt Griffith Chris Pearsall
S.C.O.R.E. Coordinator	Rissa Schrick
T.E.A.M. Coordinator	Jolene Frank
Advertising/Sponsorship Coordinator	Jeremy Welter Shannon Worden
Travelling Level Team Manager Coordinator	Bridget Lindeman
Initiation Level Team Manager Coordinator	Kelsey Harps
Initiation Mite Events Coordinator	Karin Brinkhoff





<b>Initiation One Goal/Learn 2 Play Coordinators</b>	Karin Brinkhoff Jolene Frank
<b>Initiation Level Scheduler</b>	Emily Starry
<b>Volunteer Coordinator</b>	Samantha Hack
	Bethany Gladu
<b>Social Media Coordinator</b>	Deb Blaeser
<b>Rock on Ice Coordinator</b>	Jennifer Kurth
<b>Webmaster Coordinator</b>	Deb Blaeser
	Alyssa Domagala
<b>Billing Managers</b>	Jeremy Welter
	Lakeside Consulting - Sara Kubu
<b>Hall of Fame Committee Chair</b>	Jacob Comee
<b>Gambling Manager</b>	Julie Prince