

Butte Amateur Hockey Association (BAHA) Meeting

Wednesday, November 9, 2022

Call to Order

Dan Blando
Jaki McCarthy
Stephanie Stodden
Dale Kingrey
Zach Woods
Taryn Yelenich
Dennis Jakecke
Mark Ewanic
Luke Davis
Jess Ball
Kristi Wilson
Mike Lasher

Guests: Ciana Dale, Ray McMillan

Start – 6:00 PM

Approval of Last Meetings Minutes

Zach makes a motion to approve last meeting minutes, Dan 2nd – **PASSED**

Unfinished Business

1. Registration Update – no update
2. 1099 for Refs – Email Vote, every voter was opposed to 1099ing the referees this season. – **DENIED**
 - a. Expense Report/Forms
3. Try Hockey for Free was 11/5 – 8 kids showed up, 3 seem very interested in playing.
 - a. Need to work on advertisement for the spring session.
 - b. Stephanie asked to have flyers to hand out at next year's Treat Street.
 - c. Mark wants to know what benefit we are getting from USA Hockey from doing the national dates for Try Hockey. We used to get kickbacks, but now we don't.

New Business

1. Treasurer Position – Dave Tuesday will retake this position. Zach motions to approve Dave as Treasurer, Dan 2nd, all in favor except Mark. – **PASSED**
2. Ugly Sweater Skate – Keonni and Cheyenne will help. December 17 at 6:00pm.
 - a. Had a great turnout for Scary Skate.
3. Snoflinga is 1/22/23 – Jessie Janecke. There will be a learn to skate/try hockey during open skate.
4. Learn to Skate – Brittney would like to do at least one more session (maybe 2) for after Christmas. Mark and Julie have agreed to help Brittney and Kyle run this; they will figure out dates.
 - a. Will do paid Facebook advertising to promote Learn to Skate and the Ugly Sweater Skate.
5. ImpACT Concussion Testing – Northwestern Energy will sponsor this. This program will allow BAHA to conduct baseline tests for all players.

Treasurer's Report – Dave Tuesday

1. Current status of BAHA account(s)
 - a. Total Available Funds
 - b. Accounts Payable (bills to pay) and Receivable
 - i. M/S/P to pay bills – Taryn motions to pay bills, Zach 2nd – **PASSED**
 - ii. Outstanding invoices

- c. We owe Bill \$27,000, and he has yet to receive payment. Zach has been talking with Bill. We will pay Bill half now, \$13K; \$2K for January, February, and March; and pay off the remaining balance at the end of the season, pending funds. Dennis makes a motion to approve this payment plan, Kristi 2nd, all in favor except Mark. – **PASSED**

Committee Reports

1. Grant Writing Update
 - a. SARTA fundraising update
 - b. Markovich grant – BCIC will be considered for a grant in 2024.

Fund Raising and Other Events

1. Meat & Gun Raffle Update – Handful of families still need to pick up tickets; about 10 families.
 - a. Tickets to be turned in on 12/1
 - b. Incentive for sales – For every \$500 in ticket sold earns families 1 ticket into the drawing, after all ticket have sold out. Three prizes for drawings; \$200, \$100, and \$50 to be used in the Pro Shop or on registration.
2. Copper City Kings Gear
 - a. 5518 logo wear – they will donate 20% of sales back to BAHA.
 - b. Uptop
 - c. Bauer jackets from Ray

Appointed Director's Reports

Rink Manager – Bill LaVelle – ABSENT

1. No update

Building Coordinator – Cory Whitmore – ABSENT

1. Tech will do the wall behind the beer garden, work on bleachers, and continue to build lockers.
2. Main heater issue, Zach can update. Cory has replaced all the filters in the furnaces. People are fixing the furnace tonight.
3. Another window in the dryland room has been broken. We need to be invoicing the responsible parties.
4. Working on getting paint donated for the exterior.
5. Have had several issues with jersey ordering the last few years and feel it's time to make a change. Cory makes a motion to explore new vendor options and designs to be presented to the board by February.
 - a. Uptop has quoted us about \$40 per jersey.
 - b. 5518 is working on a design.
 - c. Sublimated jersey sample passed around.
 - d. Ray would like to submit a bid to do the jerseys when the time comes. He can print jerseys in his shop.

Age Group Representative Director – Kristi Wilson

1. Kinks are getting worked out, but things are running smoothly.
2. We are running short on game sheets and need to order more.

MAHA Representative – Dan Blando

1. Kristi sent out the MAHA 'Town Hall' information.
2. Focus on Zero Tolerance, Live Scoring, and kids behaving appropriately.

Volunteer Coordinator – Cheyenne Holbrook – ABSENT

1. No update

Safe Sport Coordinator – Jess Ball

1. Working on some issues with Garrett's SafeSport and BR check. His name doesn't merge his accounts properly.
2. All volunteers need to register on our site.

Registrar – Jaki McCarthy

1. All rosters are submitted except Mites and Termites, waiting on some birth certificates.
2. Has been updating the Bantam roster game by game because there are more than 20 players. Will ask MAHA about making changes to their roster after 12/31 to allow all kids to play. There are currently 21 Bantam kids. Dan and Jaki will keep us posted.

Ice Coordinator – Luke Davis

1. Wants a waiver for ice rentals; maybe a google form.
2. Looking for a TV to hang in lobby to show the rink schedule.

Coaching Director – Travis Barry – ABSENT

1. No update

Referee-in-Chief – Mark Ewanic

1. Two Level 1 refs have completed all the requirements.
2. Mark has reffed all but on game at our rink so far this season.
3. Reps need to get Mark their game schedules ASAP so he can find refs. If there are any changes, Mark needs to know.

Girls Program Representative – Laurie McGree

1. Laurie has scheduled the women's college game between Montana State University and Air Force Academy for Saturday, March 4th, at 2:30, in the middle of the Girls' State Tournament. This will be a fantastic spectator event for the girls in Butte and across the state. Laurie is asking for some funds from MAHA to pay for ice and refs, otherwise she has offered to cover the costs.
2. Laurie's suggestion for the Bantam roster is to make it a BAHA decision. By the time the rosters need to be finalized (12/31), it should be in our best interest to have a Billings player with the least number of games to not make the roster for State. Laurie thinks we need to give the Butte players priority.

Adult Program Representative – Dale Kingrey

1. There will not be adult hockey 12/12-1/2.

Tournament Director – Stephanie Stodden

1. Bantam tournament is this weekend, buttoning up last minute details.
2. Will reach out to Buffalo Wild Wings, they have donated wings in the past.

ADM Coordinator – Dennis Janecke

1. Dennis has watched each age group's practices, and he is liking what he is seeing. He would like to see groups use dryland more. We need a signup for the dryland room.
2. Wants to get coaches to run a different age group's practices. Would be beneficial for coaches and players.

Community at Large Representative – Mike Lasher

1. No update

Next Meeting

Tuesday, December 6th at 6:00pm at Hops

Zach makes a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15, Dennis 2nd – **PASSED**