

## **Butte Amateur Hockey Association (BAHA) Meeting**

**Wednesday, July 15, 2020**

### **Call to Order**

#### **Start – 6:30 PM**

Ray McMillan

Matt Vincent

Jeff Dennehy

Dennis Janecke

Tonette Hollingsworth

Taryn Yelenich

Ryan Nielsen

Brittnay Hintz

Cristin Nielsen

Alicia Bogert

Mark Ewanic

Dave Tuesday

Cory Whitmore

Mike Lasher

### **Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes**

Dave motions to approve, Dennis 2<sup>nd</sup> – **PASSED**

### **Unfinished Business**

1. Sports Engine Update
  - a. Need to have a reopen plan made and cleared with the Health Department and MAHA to be able to open. Kids would most likely have to come to practice dressed, as locker rooms will probably not be open. We will need to temperature check each person as they enter the rink. - **TABLED**
  - b. Cristin voiced concerns about being able to open our rink for tournaments, as people coming from COVID hotspots at are facility are not a good idea. It would be unlikely to be able to host tournaments before the new year. There were roughly 3 major tournaments before January of last year. Need to look into a stabilization grant. Matt

says we may be eligible for one, and it would help defray costs of losing out on tournaments. - **TABLED**

- c. Wanda from Right Now Cleaning says to FOG the areas at the rink for cleaning and sanitizing, and that lasts about a month. Jeff and Ryan will look into the costs from various companies. – **TABLED**
  - d. BAHA cannot make a definite decision yet for the upcoming season. We need to keep moving along as though the rink would open as usual, still following guidelines and recommendations. Look at what other rinks around the state are doing. – **TABLED**
  - e. Girls Prices – Brittney wants girls’ team to pay for the age division they are in. If it is a Peewee aged girl, would pay Peewee prices, etc. Brittney motions to approve, Dennis 2<sup>nd</sup> – **PASSED**
  - f. Ryan said that Camie is working on a list of people with outstanding invoices.
2. Shooting Area at Rink – Dennis – Area would be on the east side of the dryland room, away from the windows. Similar to a batting cage setup, with 2 nets. This will cost about \$1000, and Dennis said he will sponsor the cost. Matt motions to approve shooting area, Brittney 2<sup>nd</sup> - **PASSED**

### **New Business**

1. Cobra Update
  - a. Forrest Gibson won the trailer. Do not have exact numbers, but raffle went well and made some money.
  - b. Dennis was asking about the relationship between BAHA and the Cobras, and if any of our BAHA registration fees support the Cobras. Cristin mentions that there needs to be more checks and balances between the BAHA board and the Cobra board. The Cobras need to have more leadership to get the team out in the community. BAHA wants the Cobras to succeed so that the team can stay here, but want to have a say in what happens with the Cobras, or we need to create an exit plan. Mark motions to create a contract between the Cobras and BAHA, since they technically fall under the BAHA umbrella, Dennis 2<sup>nd</sup> - **PASSED**
2. Volunteer Credits
  - a. New families should be required to try all areas to volunteer, returning families can volunteer where comfortable. Can reassess volunteer hours if there is a shortened season. Tonette motions to keep 75 credits, abolish ½ credit for own kids’ games, Dennis 2<sup>nd</sup> - **PASSED**
  - b. For 2019-2020 season, how will we handle credits not fulfilled? Camie will have a list of these next week. – **TABLED**
3. Cleaning Party at Rink – Wednesday, July 22, from 6:00-8:00, and Thursday July 23, from 9:00-11:00. This information is posted on Facebook, and Brittney will send an email to families.
4. Front door kicker broken and needs replaced – Alicia fixed the door, will look at the kicker plate.

### **Age Group Director’s Report – Kristi Wilson - ABSENT**

1. Has been in contact with rep possibilities.
2. Tonette Hollingsworth says Coach Travis wants to have a say if the high school team could possibly move down a division; he is against going down to “B”.
3. Tonette also voiced concerns about some of the players not showing up to practice last season, but still being allowed to play in all games. Many of the players received scholarships, and was

wondering if there was maybe something we could do about it, perhaps wording on scholarship contract?

### **Treasurer's Report – Dave Tuesday**

1. Current status of BAHA accounts:
  - a. Total available funds – Dave handed out balance sheet – Net \$2,769 – Rink will be roughly \$30K in the hole for the year. Need to create a fundraising committee to get sponsorships and/or donations.
  - b. Accounts Payable (bills to pay) and Receivable
    - i. M/S/P to pay bills
      1. Cristin motions to pay bills, Alicia 2<sup>nd</sup> – **PASSED**
    - ii. Receipts within the last month
    - iii. Brittnay Hintz and Ryan Nielsen are to be added to the BAHA checking account. Tonette motions to approve, Cristin 2<sup>nd</sup> - **PASSED**
2. Invoices
  - a. Outstanding invoices

### **Committee Reports**

1. Grant Writing Update
  - a. Matt V. is in contact with the lady who is working on the marketing grant, and she has it started. He will look into any COVID relief grants as well.
  - b. Matt Enrooth has written out some grants, and will send to Dave for approval.
  - c. Matt V. has messages in for the Montana Commerce grant and tourism grants.
2. Hockey Boards from Civic Center
  - a. Matt V. will write a proposal to Civic Center for possible donation of boards to rink. Will work on this, and September 3<sup>rd</sup> is the deadline.

### **Fundraising and Other Events**

1. Meat and Gun Raffle
  - a. Stephanie Hassler will still handle this raffle.
  - b. For 20-21 season, for each book of raffle tickets sold, you will get your name entered into a drawing for choice of either no volunteer obligations or waived registration fees. Ryan motions to approve, Dennis 2<sup>nd</sup> - **PASSED**
2. Unsold gun from last season
  - a. Josh Harned will create a board for either Nascar or Stanley Cup.
3. Rock Creek Golf Pass
  - a. Jeff Dennehy will talk to the Coke golf tournament people to try to raffle this.
4. Selling Arena Name
  - a. Ryan still working on this, delays from COVID because business is slow.

### **Building Committee**

1. Building Committee Update
  - a. Cory Whitmore reported about possible upgrades and needs for the rink. Cory will donate materials and labor in return for volunteer credits or sponsorship/recognition for work done. He can sell us materials at cost for upkeep, and reach out to various vendors and contractors for any work that needs to be completed. He also has a few interested people to help on the building committee.

### **Appointed Directors' Reports**

#### **Rink Manager – Bill LaVelle - ABSENT**

1. Assignments
  - a. Concessions Operation –
  - b. Rental Gear Coordinator –
  - c. Ice and Space Rental Management
2. Compressors –

#### **MAHA State Representative – Matt Enrooth - ABSENT**

1. The next MAHA meeting is Monday, July 20, and Matt will email any updates.

#### **Volunteer Program Administrator – Camie Kendall – ABSENT**

1. Camie will have a list of people who have not met volunteer requirements to the board by Monday.
2. Needs to know who will be the volunteer coordinator for next season.
3. Families with kids who are required to do 5 of the family's hours and have not met them; as long as the family met the 75 credits, we will probably not worry about it. - **TABLED**

#### **SafeSport Coordinator – Amanda Flink – ABSENT**

1. No update

#### **Ice Scheduler – Alicia Bogert**

1. Wants to try to keep the youth practice schedule the same.
2. Still needs a Cobra schedule for the year.
3. She wants to push back the opening and have the meters read on September 11th, and start doing ice on September 14<sup>th</sup> – **TABLED**
4. She needs to have more input from age reps for possible tournament weekends before the summit so she knows what dates work and which tournaments to bid on.
5. Needs a price breakdown for ice cost, so she knows what to charge for parties and such. \$150 seemed to be a fair price - **TABLED**

#### **Registrar – Zanae Bates - ABSENT**

1. Needs to have reopen plan completed for MAHA.

#### **Coaches Director – Chris Shadow - ABSENT**

1. Nothing to report

#### **Referee in Chief – Mark Ewanic**

1. Mark stressed the importance of needing more referees. Butte has less than 5. Abuse of officials is a constant problem.
2. Bantam and older age groups need to be pushed to start taking ref trainings.

**Tournament Director – Katrina Kruzich – ABSENT**

1. Katrina needs dates for upcoming tournaments turned into MAHA as well as COVID guidelines.
2. She will be back into hockey after rodeo season ends after Labor Day.

**ADM Coordinator – Dennis Janecke**

1. Would like to survey coaches, players, and parents at the start of year to see what expectations are and what they would like to get out of hockey. Then do the same thing in the middle of the season and at the end of year. This will hopefully give some insight to strengths and weaknesses within the organization.

**Community at Large Representative – Mike Lasher**

1. Nothing to report

**Actions to be taken**

Ryan Nielsen

Talk to Distillery about hand sanitizer

Get quotes for 'fogging' rink

Brittnay Hintz

Talk with Health Department regarding reopening plan and what is all required to open the rink safely.

Send email about cleaning party.

Jeff Dennehy

Get quotes for 'fogging' rink.

Talk to the Coke tournament people about Rock Creek pass.

Camie Kendall

Get a list all people behind on volunteer hours.

Matt Vincent

Write a proposal for boards from Civic Center and any other grants BAHA may qualify for.

Matt Enrooth

Send grants to Dave for approval.

**Next Meeting**

Wednesday, August 12, 2020, 6:30 PM at Hops

Tonette motions to adjourn at 9:30, Taryn 2<sup>nd</sup> – **PASSED**