

**BYHA Monthly Meeting
September 16, 2019 at 7:00pm
Fogerty Arena, Blaine MN**

Attendance: Steve Dahlk, Erick Sutherland, Jeff Meister, Erik Johnson, Jason Kacures, Jed Rohlf, Neal Verhulst, Sebastian Canevari, Nancy Burley

This meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Steve Dahlk.

Motion made (Johnson) second (Verhulst) to approve the 9/16/19 meeting agenda with amended order. Motion carried.

Ice Scheduler: Bill reported that he has met with Neal regarding training schedules, and Jed regarding Cubs & Mites. Scheduling meetings are Oct. 23 & 26 for Traveling; traveling practices will be prepped and uploaded as teams are formed, through Nov. 9th. Games being Nov. 9th and more practice ice will be scheduled after Jr. Gold. Directors will provide tournament schedules for Bill to schedule around.

Coach Chris Carroll: Presented an update on Hockey Day Minnesota. He encourages the community to be involved, information is coming for possible ice times. An apparel store will be opened to the players, their families, and the youth and community, to support the BHS team. He has a vision to connect the HS players with the youth players; creating the desire for youth to want to continue playing into BHS.

Secretary's Report: Nancy reported that individual family fundraising is now open for Heggie's pizzas and Puffins Frozen Pastries; order forms available at Fogerty and online. We had a good showing with BHS players and had lots of interested families at the Elementary Open Houses. She will be setting up manager meetings in the near future. She will be attending all tryout sessions as needed. The following motions were made between the August and September meetings:

Motion made (Meister) second (Sutherland) to approve paying off the Fogerty Bond and save the interest BYHA would otherwise pay over the remaining 27 months (\$7,822.21 in savings). Motion carried 9/8/19.

Motion made (Sutherland) second (Meister) to approve the distribution of \$45,760 to the Centennial Ice Arena with rink improvements. Motion carried 9/8/19.

Motion made (Johnson) second (Meister) to approve Rob Burnett as co-head coach for the U10A team. Motion carried 9/8/19.

Motion made (Verhulst) second (Kacures) to approve August 2019 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Jeff reported that current cash is \$720,000, income is from registrations and charitable gambling. With the help of positive gambling we had the opportunity to pay off Fogerty as noted in the motions. We've approved \$39,000 in community donations to date this fiscal year. Outflow is \$120,000 in tournament fees.

Vice President's Report: Erick reported that we had an Ops meeting on September 8 to prepare for the coming tryouts and season kick-offs. Many board members have been involved in the coaching interviews. There have been many changes with tryout processes and how they will be run, members will be informed of the changes in an email coming out soon. Erick thanked the board members and coordinators for their time and dedication to date.

President's Report: Steve reported that the District 10 Presidents meetings have resumed for the season. It was confirmed that volunteers that completed the SafeSport certification "core" system last season do NOT need to do the refresher course this year; starting in the 2020 season, all volunteers will need to complete Safesport each year. Background checks should be done this year at the reduced rate of \$10; the 2020 season prices will rise for each volunteer. District 10 Mandatory Coach & Manager Meetings must be attended, or fines of \$500+ per team will be assessed. Initial traveling team declarations for all associations within District 10 are as follows (noting that levels with less than 6 teams will combine with other districts to play games):

Bantam: AA-6, A-9, B1-14, B2-10

Peewee: AA-7, A-8, B1-15, B2-13, C-8

Squirt: A-9, B1-18, B2-23, C-11

15U: A-5 , B-3

12U: A-6, B-11

10U: A-5 , B1-12, B2-5

Open Forum: The Blaine Girls BHS hockey team attended to present their season donation request for \$20,000.

Amy Swanson attended to discuss youth refereeing opportunities; Nancy will add information to BYHA.org around this program.

Girls Traveling Coordinator: No report

Boys Traveling Coordinator: Chris Pahl reported that he has been contacted about scrimmages with an outside association during Hockey Day MN.

In-House: Nick reported that he is preparing for Initiation Skates. He helped out the Open Houses at the Elementary Schools.

S.K.A.T.E. Coordinator: No report

Volunteer Coordinator: No report

Registrar: Nancy encouraged volunteers to do background checks this season to avoid higher costs next year. She noted that we need to communicate Safesport certification again. She continues to verify all registered players. Board members and coordinators must have their Safesport and background checks done by Nov. 2. All U19 and IceDogs player with a birthdate 2002 and older need to complete the Safesport certification.

Recruitment & Retention Coordinator: Kraig reported that he is coordinating borrowing skates from Dave's for the Taste of Hockey events; he's working to schedule Nordy, and the pizza party after the 3rd session. The Elementary School Open Houses were very successful. He's open to skate donations from BYHA families.

Fundraising Coordinator: No report

Sponsorship Coordinator: Dave reported that he has 14 commitments for sponsorships so far. He will develop a communication to send to BYHA membership to encourage additional business. Feedback from businesses who participated last year was to use social media avenues; add a partnerships highlight on Facebook with a link to sponsor. An additional jersey per team will be ordered again this year and given to Dave to distribute to the businesses as a thank you.

Boys & Girls Tournament Coordinators: All tournaments are scheduled.

Concussion Coordinator: Nancy reported that Jodi Johnson is working to confirm Saturday, Oct. 5th as the Baseline Impact testing date at RMS. It was discovered that testing only needs to be done every 24-months. This is an additional service that BYHA covers the cost for those who participate.

Girls Traveling Director: Erik reported that he is working out the kinks with evaluations during pre-skates so all runs smoothly during tryouts. He is reviewing TeamGenius with Jeff later today. Numbers look good for U10 and U12; he is in discussion with the girls directors at Spring Lake Park, Centennial, Coon Rapids, and Champlin Park to put together 2, U15 teams.

Boys Traveling Director: Jason reported that he has put a lot of time recently into interviewing coaches for the Squirt and Peewee levels. He has evaluators set up for all levels and tryout dates. He is working to group players into sessions per level so players can be set up with like-playing levels.

In-House Director: Jed reported that he was able to give back the 7am hour for Initiation Skates. Cubs schedule is final and he will post it this week. Last Sunday's District 10 meeting involved a lot of discussions about $\frac{3}{4}$ ice and who will participate, along with the philosophy of how Mite levels are formed and labeled. Jerseys and socks are coming in through Dave's. He is working to be proactive before Initiation Skates

begin. Discussion was had about BHS or Bantam players reffing lower level games, in addition to the mentorship program.

Hockey Director (formerly ACE Training Director): Neal reported that he has the ice schedule from Bill to put together training for teams; he is working with the training partners to communicate those dates. CEP Level 4 is available this weekend and later in December too; there are several other levels and dates available that he will be communicating to coaches as teams are declared. Nancy M. noted that all coaches need to complete the Concussion Training.

Equipment Director: Jeff reported for Sebastian that he is working on distributing tryout jerseys, numbers and sizes by Friday of this week.

Charitable Gambling Report: Suzanne reported that the contribution for the month of August was \$90,000, lower taxes in August attribute to the higher donation amount. Suzanne is seeking a motion to approve BYHA Lawful Gambling to run the BHS Boys Hockey Boosters raffle. The raffle is run by charitable gambling with the proceeds donated to BHS Boys Hockey Boosters. The donation equals the amount made from the raffle minus printing and taxes. The prizes for the raffle are being donated by the BHS Boys Hockey Boosters.

Motion made (Burley) second (Johnson) to approve the September 2019 charitable gambling report. Motion carried.

Motion made (Burley) second (Johnson) to approve the October 2019 proposed expenditures. Motion carried.

Old Business: Nancy reported on a motion made on August 26, where Suzanne's ACM Convention and travel expenses were approved.

New Business: No new business to report

Motion made (Sutherland) second (Verhulst) to close the session. Motion carried.
Session closed at 8:07pm

Closed Session | Opened at 8:22pm | Closed at 8:40pm

Motion made (Sutherland) second (Kacures) to approve a \$17,500 program donation, and a \$2,500 A/V equipment donation to the BHS Girls Hockey Team. Motion carried.

Motion made (Sutherland) second (Johnson) to approve the Boys BHS charitable gambling raffle. Motion carried.