

Butte Amateur Hockey Association (BAHA) Meeting

Thursday, March 24, 2022

Call to Order

Taryn Yelenich
Cory Whitmore
Alicia Bogert
Camie Kendall
Travis Barry
Dale Kingrey
Ryan Nielsen
Toni Byrne
Matt Enrooth
Bill LaVelle
Brittnay Hintz
Mark Ewanic
Kristi Wilson

Start – 6:00 PM

Approval of Last Meetings Minutes – Bill makes a motion to approve the last meeting minutes, Brittnay 2nd – **PASSED**

Unfinished Business

1. End of Year Banquet – April 7th at the MAC. Dicky's to cater. RSVPs have been sent out.
 - a. Deposit has been paid to Dicky's. They can cater this for \$13.25 per person. As always, hockey players will be free, any adults/guests/non-skater children will be charged \$15 per person. Dicky's is also open to sponsorships for the organization.
 - b. How should we organize events for the evening? Each coach usually says a few words about each team's season and introduces each player.
 - c. Ray is making posters for all the teams to hand out at the banquet. Stickers have been ordered, pucks with names and numbers are in the works. Balloons have been ordered, Nicole Hislop will get the helium.
 - d. We will use drinks and chips from concessions. Zip Beverages will donate milk and chocolate milk for the banquet.
2. High school party in June – this will not happen.

New Business

1. Limit number of board positions held by one person or family?
 - a. We should probably not limit the people that are willing to help on the board or at age rep positions. It's not like there is a line of people wanting positions.
 - b. Maybe consider barring people from holding positions that have left positions mid-season in the past. When people leave positions, it is hard to get all the tasks accomplished.
 - c. We need to come up with a booklet of information for each position. People have committed to positions without knowing what it all requires and are unable to succeed in the position. Mike Lasher may be working on this.
2. Out of association skating policy – kids who are skating during practice time MUST be registered in our organization for the appropriate age group. Kristi makes a motion to amend our policies to say that only first year skaters will be entitled to a full refund if they request one before skating in 5 practices. If it is not the skater's first year playing, they can request a refund, but the club would keep \$100 if the player quit within the first month; \$200 for second month, etc. Camie 2nd the motion. – **PASSED**
3. Ray's sweatshirt sales update: Bantam/Peewee State tournaments net profit \$2523. Mite tournament net profit \$779. There are leftover logos from some of the tournaments that he can sell in future seasons. Ray

recommends that we charge \$40 for all sweatshirts, regardless of size. For larger tournaments, he recommends doing a pre-order sale to ensure he has enough logos to sell.

4. Volunteer Feedback Survey – Kristi emailed information to the board. This will be discussed during the April meeting.
5. Adult hockey beginner package deal – Ray was asking about this for gear for adult hockey players, it should be up to Ray to decide how he sets up his deals for gear in the shop.
6. Reach out to Ray if anyone needs anything from the shop over the summer.
7. PA system echo issues – We will be getting a new cordless microphone, the one we had went missing. If you aren't too close to the other electronics, echo/static issues aren't bad.
8. Brent Roeber scholarship – John Roeber reached out and would love to set up a scholarship for high schoolers. There is only one senior this year. Travis will get him the information; probably just needs to write a letter.

Treasurer's Report – Dave Tuesday – ABSENT

1. Current status of BAHA account(s)
 - a. Total Available Funds – Bill handed out finance breakdown. Net Income \$72,645.
 - b. Accounts Payable (bills to pay) and Receivable
 - i. M/S/P to pay bills – Bill motions to pay the bills, Alicia 2nd – **PASSED**
 - ii. Outstanding invoices

Committee Reports

1. Grant Writing Update – Matt/Mike - ABSENT
 - a. Markovich Family grant application – this has been submitted, thank you Laurie and Mike for working on this one.
 - b. Working on a long-term capital improvement plan to add a second sheet of ice. We have E & A firms committed to helping us develop a design which will include cost estimates.
 - c. Toni was asking about SARTA funds and where we are at with this right now, as there isn't a definitive answer on what's been collected in matching funds thus far. There is a hit list of targeted donors that the committee is working on. Most people want to know where the money goes. So far, there is a couple hundred dollars on Venmo, there is a donation jug at the rink with some money in it, and some other grant money/donations set aside for this. Katrina is working on tracking these donations. She will get Toni on the same page as soon as she can.

Fund Raising and Other Events

1. Meat & Gun Raffle Update
 - a. Currently, 962 gun tickets (\$38,490 (one ticket paid at \$50)) and 957 meat tickets (\$16,460) have been sold out of 1,000.

Appointed Director's Reports

Rink Manager – Bill LaVelle

1. Sled hockey will be at the rink on 3/25 from 1-3. Kalispell, Missoula, and Billings all have sled hockey programs.
2. Girls 12U tournament on 3/26
3. Birthday party on 4/2
4. Termite festival on 4/3.
5. Tentative compressor shutdown on 4/11, but if there are no other ice rentals, consider shutting off sooner.

Building Coordinator – Cory Whitmore

1. Has been talking to the electrician to do lights in the girl's locker room and Cobra's locker room.
2. Copper sheeting is done down to the Bantam locker room
3. Will get doors on the Cobra locker room and the dryland room.
4. Needs the siding by the zam painted – good volunteer opportunity.
5. Showers are still in the works.

Age Group Representative Director – Kristi Wilson

1. Getting reps in order for next season. Some want to return, others don't. No hits on girls' rep or termite rep yet; may have to be done at the beginning of the season. Reps must be in the appropriate age group for their child's year to be on the ballot.

MAHA Representative – Matt Enrooth

1. No update

Volunteer Coordinator – Cheyenne Wolcott – ABSENT

1. No update

Safe Sport Coordinator – Kira Strande – ABSENT

1. No update

Registrar – Katrina Kruzich – ABSENT

1. New USA hockey numbers can be obtained on 9/1/22.

Ice Coordinator – Alicia Bogert

1. Is trying to get a schedule lined out for practices for next season to help the incoming ice scheduler. Some were asking about a 2-hour practice for older age groups. We need to know the schedule before registration next season.

Coaching Director – Travis Barry

1. Working on a progression system for players and coaches. Will show player development from year to year, and the players should be able to check all the boxes as they move up.
2. Needs help finding a new girl's coach; anyone interested, please direct them to Travis.

Referee-in-Chief – Mark Ewanic

1. Lots of people interested in reffing next season.
2. Adult tournament was very successful. Only minor issues.
3. Travis adds on the success of the adult tournament and the growth of the adult program. He thinks it would be in the best interest of BAHA to add an adult group representative with voting privileges. Dale would be interested in filling this role. There has always been a position for an adult rep, but no voting privileges. Given the growth of the adult program, Kristi makes a motion to add voting privileges to the adult rep position, Brittnay 2nd – **PASSED**

Girls Program Representative – Laurie McGree – ABSENT

1. No update

Tournament Director – Stephanie Stodden and Camie Kendall

1. Girls' tournament this weekend, 3 teams/\$250 per team.

ADM Coordinator – Dennis Janecke – ABSENT

1. No update

Community at Large Representative – Mike Lasher – ABSENT

1. No update

Last thoughts:

1. Brittnay asks for better communication within the board, or she may have to replace people and fill positions with those who will communicate better.
2. Ryan thanks everyone for their service on the board as his term is ending this season.

Next Meeting

Thursday, April 21, 2022, at 6:30pm at Hops

Taryn makes a motion to end the meeting at 8:15, Bill 2nd – **PASSED**