

# BCHSHA Meeting

August 11, 2014

7:00 pm

## In Attendance:

**BOD:** Bill Mizera, Mike Cerasaro, Jennifer Stevenson, Fritz Hust, Ann Bello, Diane Kelly, Tom Kutz

**Reps:** **BHS:** Scott Marean; **CF:** Corey Henige; **CV:** John Broughton; **E/HH:** Brett Peterson (Coach); **JC:** Jeff Espe; **ME:** Joanne McVannan; **UE:** Chris Cataldo, Thuy Cataldo; **VHS:** Jim Sabitus, Chris Kelly

**Absent:** Melanie Wagner (**BOD**)

### 1. Call to Order: 7:10 pm

2. **Review and Acceptance May 5th Minutes:** Addition: ME is awaiting payment for 2 lost ice slots from last season.
- A motion to accept the minutes with the above addition and without being read aloud was made by Scott Marean, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jeff Espe. Vote: Yes-7, No-0, Abstain-0 ([Motion Passed](#))

### 3. Treasurer's Report:

- An August Treasurer's Report was filed. Checking account balance as of 7/30/2014: \$16,305.26; savings account balance as of 7/21/2014: \$2,841.50; CD account balance as of 8/20/2013:\$1,748.68; accounts payable \$2,444.57; accounts receivable: \$4,896.50.
- Motion to accept Treasurer's Report made by Scott Marean, 2nd by John Broughton. Vote: Yes-7, No-0, Abstain-0. ([Motion Passed](#))
- Checks for lost ice slots, Ranger Raffle profits, and CHOW Challenge ice (UE) were dispersed to team reps. Once checks are cashed, the checking account will have an approximate balance of \$10,000.
- The per player fee amount for next season will be set in October.
- Fees for the upcoming season are due from each team as follows:  
Nov. 15th: 1/2 fees due, Dec. 15th 1/4 fees due, Jan. 15th: 1/4 fees due

### 4. President's Report:

- The Upcoming Central Section meeting will be held in Syracuse on Sunday, September 14th. Bill, Ann and Tom will be attending.
- Bill has begun the schedule. Team reps should contact Bill ASAP as soon as conflicts are known (such as school dances/events).

### 5. Committee Reports:

- Executive VP's Report: Nothing to report at this time.
- VP Report: Nothing to report at this time.
- Secretary's Report: Please make Jen and Tom Kutz aware of any coaching changes for the upcoming season.
- Registrar: USA Hockey is using new software. Tom will be sending reps a spreadsheet to fill out with player information.
- Reports from Members at Large: Nothing at this time.

### 6. Old Business:

- The league was successful in creating a positive balance in the checking account after all bills for last season were paid. This puts the league's budget in good shape as we move into the upcoming season. Excellent attendance at playoff games and the large number of Ranger Raffle tickets sold by some BOD members contributed greatly to this.

### 7. New Business:

#### A. Website Advertising

- The domain was renewed. The site was receiving approximately 1,000 hits per month last season.
- The fee to advertise businesses on the site is \$100. Individuals interested should contact Bill.
- Currently, the league pays an individual to maintain the website. The hope is that enough businesses will advertise so that the website essentially pays for itself (with the potential for the league to eventually earn a profit).

- Discussion took place regarding displaying the logo of the organizations who currently do a lot for the BCHSHA as a gesture of thanks. A motion was made by Scott Marean and 2nd by Jeff Espe to display logos for The Hockey Shop and the Senators on the website. Vote: Yes-7, No-0, Abstain-0, **(Motion Passed)**
- It was suggested to team reps to put logos in team programs as well.

#### B. UE Rep

- As per By-Laws, a motion to suspend Tom Colasanto as the head rep of UE was made by John Broughton, 2nd by Jim Sabitus. Vote: Yes-7, No-0, Abstain-0. **(Motion Passed)**

#### C. Coaching Clinics:

- USAH CEP Training Clinics will be held as follows: (sign up at [www.usahockey.com](http://www.usahockey.com))
  - Level 4: September 6 & 7 @ Cicero
  - Levels 1, 2, 3: Sept 6th @ Cicero
  - Levels 2, 3: Oct. 25th @ Skaneateles
  - Levels 1, 2, 3: Nov. 15th @ Clinton
  - Level 1: Dec. 20th @ Binghamton

#### D. Schedule:

- Bill met with BCC regarding ice slots. BCC was able to provide an additional 21 games slots this season to accommodate adding the Elmira/Hhds team. The league is losing the Thursday and Friday practice slots (approximately 22 slots). Bill will work with the Arena and possibly CIR to secure additional ice for practices. If teams purchased additional ice last season at CIR, Bill is requesting that reps provide him with the time slots/days ice was purchased. CV requests to have as many of their league practices as possible scheduled at CIR.
- The first league game will be Thursday, November 13th.
- Most games will be held as follows: Thursday: 1 game, Friday: 1 game, Saturday: 2 games, Sunday: 3 games.
- At this time, no games are scheduled for Superbowl Sunday.
- The regular season is scheduled to end Feb. 15th. There will be 1 practice for each team the following week, and the 1st playoff game will begin on Feb. 26th. There is a potential conflict the first weekend in March with States for the 16/18 U teams. A motion was made by Jeff Espe and 2nd by Scott Marean that if either of these teams qualify for States, that no league games take place that weekend and that the BCHSHA President reorganize the schedule to extend an extra week. Vote: Yes-6, No-0, Abstain-1 **(Motion Passed)**

#### E. Misc:

- Senior Day Chair: Tina Guley
- Chow Challenge and Ranger Raffle Chair: Ann Bello
- Elmira/Hhds Express team colors will be burgundy and blue. They will be purchasing reversible jerseys.
- Ann would like reps to think about the possibility of asking players participating in the draft to pay a non-refundable fee (that would be deducted from fees owed upon making a team). On many occasions teams have been faced with players quitting within the first few weeks, leaving the teams they were assigned with a financial burden. This could help offset some of the cost.
- Bill would like reps to think about the possibility of each team in the league being paired with an "affiliate school." It is difficult to get league info to these outlying schools, and this may be a way to draw players into the league.

**8. Next Meeting Date and Time:** September 8th @ 7pm, Place TBD

**9. Special Topics:** None

**10. Motion to Adjourn:** A motion to adjourn was made and passed.