

Billerica Hockey Association (BHA)

General Board Meeting Minutes

October 4th, 2023

Opening

The general meeting of the BHA was called to order at 8:15 PM on October 4, 2023, on a Microsoft Teams online call by Tony Medeiros.

Present

Tony Medeiros - President
Tony Caterino - Vice President
Bill Murphy - Treasurer/Registrar
Terry O'Leary - Secretary
Christopher Fitzgerald – Member
David Marone – Member
Jeff Paquette – Member
Gary DaSilva - Member
Jared Provost – Member
Danielle Johnston- Member

Absent

Russell Phippen – Member

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting 9/28/2023 were unanimously approved as distributed.

Business of the general meeting

Financial Update

Updated financials from last meeting. In the bank as of 10/4/2023 we have \$293,624.

Bills coming in not paid to date for the 2023-24 season.

Hallenborg Ice fees for September through October = \$24,860

Chelmsford Forum Ice fees for October through = \$13,000

Payments made to date for the 2023-24 season.

Goalie skills fees = \$6,500

Cooke's fees = \$30,000

BHA fights Cancer Night

Each team Mom is organizing baskets to be made for the 10/9 date. She has a good number of volunteers available to help with setup and organization of the event. There may be an issue with number of helmet stickers available for all players so the Midgets may not get them. Jeff Paquette will be running the hardest shot game in the back of the rink by the back doors with a radar gun.

Ice time details:

- 45-minute intervals
- 36 minutes continuous running clock with 1:30 minute buzzer for shift changes
- Seth Oliver and son will officiate squirt through bantam games
- Mite coaches will officiate Mite games and we will use the boards to split up the rink for 2 separate games at the same time

Donations

- Ryan Doak (Mite Dev) will match the total amount from the chuck a puck event.
- 10 pizzas from Pizza Mia Tewksbury
- 4 patriots tickets for a Patriots game from Pizza Mia Tewksbury
- 4 trays of Chicken bites from Augustas
- One Goalie canvas back drop from Seth Oliver
- One pair of skates from Cookes

We need to give tax id for donations to everyone who donated

Mite full ice

We sent out a survey to all 2015 and 2016 players looking for interest and got 17 currently who are interested. A follow up email has been sent to complete the survey by 10/13. Based on the total number of responses, we may need to have a try out for the 2016 players since all 2015 players are automatically accepted to the team since they will be squirts next season. Then we will send an email to all players who want to play with the registration link. The cost is \$600 for the season. Reversible jerseys are ordered from Cookes. We need to provide 7 sheets of ice time to the TSMHL for games on the weekend.

Shooter tutors for the BHA

Proposal to purchase 2 shooter tutors for the BHA to store at the Hallenborg rink which will cost about \$1,100 was put up for a vote.

In Favor:

Tony Caterino - Vice President
Bill Murphy - Treasurer/Registrar
Terry O'Leary - Secretary
Christopher Fitzgerald – Member
David Marone – Member
Jeff Paquette – Member
Gary DaSilva - Member
Jared Provost – Member
Danielle Johnston- Member

Decline:

none

Sparx machine for the BHA in the snack shack

Proposal to purchase a Sparx skate sharpening machine for the BHA to store at the Hallenborg rink in the snack shack which will cost about \$1,100 was put up for a vote.

Concerns:

- Misuse to sharpen players skates without payment with anyone who has access to the snack shack
- Anyone who volunteers to run the snack shack will need to have instructions on how to use the machine
- Any maintenance issues will now be a cost to BHA
- Based on price and charging \$10 per sharpening there won't be much of a profit for BHA
- Will need to have a separate cash drawer for the sharpening's and petty cash available for change if needed
- **In Favor:**
 - Tony Caterino - Vice President
 - Bill Murphy - Treasurer/Registrar
 - Terry O'Leary - Secretary
 - Christopher Fitzgerald – Member
 - David Marone – Member
 - Jeff Paquette – Member
 - Gary DaSilva - Member
 - Jared Provost – Member
 - Danielle Johnston- Member
- **Decline:**
 - none

Chelmsford ice time utilization

Currently, we have the Mite 1 and Squirt 1 teams using the Friday 5:10 PM ice starting on 10/20 and 10/27. We also have the Midget team has the Wednesday 8:10 PM ice time for the month of October, and the Tuesday 5:10 PM ice time will be used by the full ice mite team for October. We will be working into the schedule for November these Chelmsford ice times to include all teams, so the ice time is not wasted. Then when High school starts up, we will use these ice times for half sheet practices for 2 teams at a time to help continue the 2 practices a week for every team.

Cancel Halloween Ice time

Proposal of the 10/31 ice time to be cancelled due to the lack of players attendance.

In Favor:

Tony Caterino - Vice President
Bill Murphy - Treasurer/Registrar
Terry O'Leary - Secretary
Christopher Fitzgerald – Member
David Marone – Member
Jeff Paquette – Member
Gary DaSilva - Member

Jared Provost – Member
Danielle Johnston- Member

Decline:
none

Open for discussion

N/A

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by 9:45 PM by Tony Medeiros. The next general meeting will be held November 1, 2023.