

Bemidji Community Arena Corporation Board
Monthly Board Meeting

December 3, 2024 6:15 am

BCA Meeting Room

Minutes

Board Members Present: Ben Wangberg, Courtney Aitken Gifford, Travis Reiersen, Leisha Gregg, Donny Wilcox, Bruce Bentfield, Brad Neis, Troy Strassburg

Board Members Absent: Jake Reiersen, Dr. Jim Dewar, Marcia Larson

Guests: Isaiah Bitter

Meeting called to order at 6:17 am

Regular Business:

The Meeting Minutes from the November meeting were sent by email for the board to review. A motion was made by Donny to approve the minutes, second by Bruce. Motion passed.

The Treasurer Report for November was sent to the board by email. Discussion on the report. Motion to approve the report by Travis seconded by Troy. Motion passed.

The Rink Manager's Report was sent by email. It was discussed by the board. Isaiah will start the replacement of rubber flooring project by getting square footage and estimates on options. The Nymore ice system is having daily issues, Isaiah is dealing with the issues, they seem to be a different issue every day. Rinks will open 1 hour before games is our policy. The doors do not automatically unlock, we want BCA staff to be present when the doors are open, not just BYHA members or BCAC board members. We will not be changing the policy.

Other Business

- Historical/Memorial/Honor Wall Committee - ongoing agenda item – positive feedback now that rinks are being used more.
- Insurance Deductible – discussion on moving from a \$10,000 to a \$50,000, it would save \$3,400/year in premium. The Board agrees to move to \$50,000 and put the savings into a repairs fund. Motion to approve the increase in deductible by Bruce, second by Leisha. Motion passed.

- Renaming of Sanford POWER rink – Brad presented recommendation on naming Sanford POWER. It will now be Sanford Health Rink. Sanford will pay for signage inside and outside. Some of the inside signage will be Sanford SPORTS. Change will happen after April 1, 2025, to change the building. BCA scheduling name will change in April. Courtney will need to contact LiveBarn to change as well after April 1.
- Nymore Improvements: When the air testing at the annual inspection the tester needs to be replaced for \$750 (with tubes) or the electronic one would be more. Motion by Ben to approve up to \$2,500 to buy the air testing device, seconded Bruce. Motion passed.
- Need to do a 5-year inspection on the fire suppression system that is separate from the annual inspection which will be additional cost for the BCA.
- Rubberized Flooring Replacement Plans – will do in phases, installer says it can't be installed in cold – Sanford side will need to take out the ice to do it. Need the square footage, then start planning the phases. Could we do tiles? Or do we need to buy sheets.

Marketing:

Update – Please ask 2 businesses to be sponsors in the arena.

The next Board Meeting date will January 7, 2025 at the BCA meeting 6:15 am.

Meeting adjourned at 7:17 am

Respectfully submitted by Courtney Aitken Gifford