



Minnetonka Girls Basketball Association

Board Meeting Notes September 10, 2014

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Board Members in Attendance: Nicholle Durkee, Rich Baker, Laural Johnson, Jim Willems, Josh Hawes, Alison Shoemaker, Shonna Travis, Rob Kahlmeyer, Leah Dasovich, Kerri Hexum, Rich Hirstein, Maja Engeman, Wendy Melz

Other Members in Attendance: Les Arndt

Call to Order and Introduction of Attendees

The meeting called to order at the Minnetonka District Service Center.

Secretary Report

The minutes from the August meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Rob Kahlmeyer and seconded by Nicholle Durkee to approve them. The minutes were approved and will be posted in final form.

New Board Members and Assignments

We are still looking for the following board positions:

Uniform Director: (to work with Shonna Travis and take over next year)

HS Program: (content, layout, production)

Webmaster: (a technical person, to work with Christine Helgeson who works on content)

Treasurer's Report

Katie Cooley was absent and there was no report. The budget will need to be reviewed and finalized next month.

Travel Team/Season Update

- Right now there are currently 72 girls registered for travel basketball with a week before the Early Bird discount comes to a close.
- Registration information and materials are posted on the website.
- Laural Johnson will distribute a SignUp Genius email for help in tryouts.

- The tryout process and roles was reviewed by the board.
- Additional pinnies were ordered and will be used at tryouts this year.
- Apparel: An opportunity to order will not be during tryouts as previously decided, and only at the Kickoff Meeting.
- Pictures will be held October 7 in the MHS East Gym. Kelly Wischmeier will provide a schedule when teams are formed.
- Practice gym times will be distributed with the boys program sometime after teams are formed. Teams will be practicing on Wednesdays and Fridays.
- Rob Kahlmeyer is looking into a date for Youth Night. He has three solid options. He is reaching out to the Timberwolves and Krunch.
- Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc. accounts for MGBA (or Tonka Buckets) are set up and active. *Like* Tonka Buckets on Facebook, *Follow* @tonkagirlsbball on Twitter, and *Follow* Tonka_Buckets on Instagram.

High School Report

Leah Dasovich presented:

- Leah's team will be participating in the high school fall league.
- Open gyms have been going well. There was an open invite to 8th graders to attend.
- Leah formally asked for money to pay an additional assistant to make 3 for her staff. The travel program already pays for one, and the high school pays for another. She would like to use the money raised from the golf tournament to pay for this position and hopes that continued fundraising will allow this position to remain in the budget. It will roughly cost about \$4400.
- A skills session will be offered by Leah and her staff through Community Ed on 9/27. All girls, travel and rec, are welcome to sign up.

Player Development

Kerri Hexum reported:

- The recognition for the Shooter's Challenge has been set for Saturday, November 29th, the Home Opener. 43 girls recorded over 3000 shots. Pizza will be ordered and served for the girls. Wendy and Alison hope that they can update the technology next year to prevent issues they had this year.
- The Pure Shooting Clinics had positive feedback and were deemed successful.
- The team is continuing its work with Andy Cerisier to create and plan for the fall skills clinic. Gyms are being reserved and schedules are being finalized.

Tournaments

Josh Hawes reported:

- Another tentative tournament roster was provided. There may still be some movement.
- If coaches would like to add tournaments, contact Josh. He has information.
- Our holiday tournament is looking good. They are turning away teams due to gym space. It looks like we may be down 20 teams from last year. Rich Hirstein would like to take another look at the agreement that was made with Community Ed.

President's Notes

Rich Baker reported:

- Four sessions from the Positive Coaching Alliance will be offered during tryouts for parents and coaches to attend. It will be required attendance for travel program families. A separate session
- Maynard's Night looks like it will be POSSIBLY held Sunday, October 26th. More information is being gathered.

Meeting Adjournment

A motion was made by Jim Willems and seconded by Laural Johnson to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 pm.

**The next MGBA meeting is scheduled for
Wednesday, October 1, 2014
6:30 – 8:30 pm (NOTE WINTER TIME)
Minnetonka District Service Center, Community Room**