

## HOLLIS BROOKLINE BASKETBALL CLUB MEETING

August 27, 2018

Attending:

Board Ryan Kelley, Brian LaPointe, David Leclerc, Janet Lussier, Jenn Razzaboni, Steven Stark, Tori Thomas

Community Alicia Costa, Brian Follensbee

Location: Brookline Safety Complex

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### I. 2018 – 2019 Flyer

The Board reviewed upcoming dates for the 2018 – 2019 season. Registration opens September 23<sup>rd</sup>. Open Gym begins September 24<sup>th</sup> and will run through October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Travel tryouts are the week of October 15<sup>th</sup> for 3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grades, (7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade travel tryouts will be after Middle School tryouts), and the Recreation assessments will be October 29<sup>th</sup> – November 2<sup>nd</sup>. No events will be held on Halloween.

Dave updated the annual basketball flyer and posted it to the website. The flyer was approved by the SAU and has already been distributed in the HUES electronic newsletter. Dave will request that all schools include the flyer in their weekly electronic newsletters through the beginning of October.

We will also have paper copies of the flyer available at all school Open House events. Each school should receive 35 – 40 copies. Note the High School will only use electronic communication.

### II. 2017-2018 Actuals vs. Budget

Dave and Jenn reviewed additional budget information. Assumptions are as follows:

- The men's league will continue to play this year and cover their own costs.
- Banner costs will be added to 2017-2018 actual expenses.
- Adjustments made to inventory in anticipation of needing more size 28.5" basketballs due to the rule change of 5th/6th Boys Travel moving to size 28.5".
- Dave confirmed using recreation referees for the jamboree the first weekend of December for the HBBC internal scrimmages.
- Due to annual equipment maintenance, there will be a \$5 increase in registration fees for all players.

Dave motioned to approve the 2018 – 2019 proposed budget, Steve seconded the motion and all were in favor. Jenn will be renewing the HBBC insurance policy in September using 2017 – 2018 player numbers. Directors and Officers liability coverage should stay the same. Dave paid the website host renewal fees to League Athletics through August 21, 2019. He also reminded the Board that the GoDaddy fees were paid in 2017 on a five-year renewal schedule. Therefore, no domain renewal fees will be required until 2022.

### III. Travel Updates

The Board reviewed the MSBL Travel league changes (see HBBC May 2018 minutes and/or the Manchester Suburban Basketball League website for specifics). There was a lengthy discussion particularly about the change in playing times for each division. Rather than assuming why changes were made and the intentions of MSBL, it was determined that the Board should contact MSBL for additional information. Steve Stark, Travel Director, volunteered to follow up with MSBL Board members.

## POST-MEETING UPDATE:

Steve spoke with MSBL Board Member, Gary Walsh, for clarification relative to the rule changes. Gary explained that MSBL was unhappy with some teams not playing a significant number of their players. Therefore, the change to the rules is designed to move competitive Travel teams to Division I. There will likely be sub-divisions within Division I to keep those games competitive. Division II will allow players to continue to grow as Travel players without competitors playing only their five best players. The change allows DII to also be very competitive.

## **IV. Recreation Updates**

New Ipswich will continue to participate in the Souhegan Valley Basketball league. We anticipate more regular season games utilizing their gym space, to include away games there for HB Rec teams.

It is likely that our Recreation contact in Amherst has resigned. Brian will follow up to determine the status. We will need to coordinate with a new contact person as soon as Amherst fills the position.

## **V. Future Meetings**

The Travel Coaches meeting will be Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm – 8:30pm. The Recreation and Instructional Coaches meeting will be Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm – 8:30pm. Both will be held at the Brookline Fire Department. The next HBBC Board meeting will be Sunday, December 2, 2018 at the Brookline Safety Complex, 7:00pm – 9:00pm.