

BRAINERD BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

LOCATION: Holiday Inn Conference Room (Baxter)

DATE: August 10th, 2023

TIME: 6am



MEETING Minutes

Attendees: Seth Sazama, Ellen Thomes, George Washington, Ross Ladehoff, Tim Bauman, Charlie Schoeck

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING 1st Seth, 2nd Tim
- IV. REPORTS
 - a. Director – *Ellen Thomes*
Player registration has been sent to sports engine; I will update the discipline policy once it's approved. All gyms have been reserved for the tournaments, tryouts and practices.
 - b. Treasurer - *Seth Sazama*
Account is looking good, all deposits and outgoing look good. Wrapping up invoicing for the golf tournament.
 - c. Equipment Coordinator - *Tim Bauman*
Talking to Sean at BSN about uniforms. Putting in an order for uniforms needed for this year. Our current uniforms will be discontinued in 2025. Talking to GLS, Tee Hive and BSN for options. Will look into a sponsor for the new uniforms. It was decided that we would phase them in to reduce the strain on the finances.
 - d. Golf Tournament Coordinator - *Derek Hendrickson* *report given via Tim*
Need better sign placement next year. Seth said he will make sure to be there earlier so he can handle this aspect of it. Thinking we made between 10-11K this year on the tournament. Great work everyone
 - e. Tournament Coordinator – *Karissa Haugen* – *not at meeting*
 - f. 3rd + 4th Grade Coordinator – *Darren Mayers*

Has a flyer already to go out in the elementary school folders. Decided to go with the color copies. We will need at least 4,000 so we have some left over to give out at BYAA basketball this fall.

- g. Marketing / Social Media Coordinator – *Karissa Haugen*
- h. Team Stores Coordinator – *George Washington*
Nothing is set in stone yet. Open a store 9/1
- i. BBA Day / Nights Coordinator – *Karissa Haugen via Ellen*
Saturday 1/27 is a double header for girls and boys varsity basketball that will be the BBA day for the year.
- j. Discipline Coordinator – *Tim Bauman*
New policy to be put into registration. Language will be sent out for the board to vote via email.
- k. Coaching Committee – *Seth Sazama, George Washington, Ross Ladehoff*
A list has been started for non-parent coaches. They will be contacted. The coaching application is open on the website
- l. Recruitment Coordinator – *Matt Schmidt*

V. OPEN ISSUES

- a. Key Dates
 - i. ??? – New Uniform Order *Order will be put in the next couple of weeks to ensure everything gets here in time.*
 - ii. September 1st – Registration Open
 - iii. October 23rd Tune Up to Tryouts (FMS Gym)
 - 1. 5th + 6th grade @ 5:15-6:45pm
 - 2. 7th + 8th grade @ 7:00-8:30pm
 - iv. October 23rd (7pm) – 5th thru 8th Parent Meeting (Forestview cafeterium)
 - 1. Former NBA referee Ken Mauer would be available to speak at the parents meeting and separately to the varsity level teams if we'd like.
Ken Mauer will speak at our Parent Meeting. We want the topic to be Coaches coach, Players play and Parents cheer.
 - 2. No speaking fee, he's more than happy to help.
 - 3. Are we interested? Any preference about speaking topic(s)?
 - 4. I will need to let him know soon as he refs high school football with his brothers so will make sure there are no scheduling conflicts.
 - v. October 29th (time = TBD) – 5th -8th Grade Tryouts (Forestview)
 - vi. ??? – 3rd - 4th Grade Team Selection / Parent Meeting (Location?)
 - vii. February 10-11, 2024 – Boys Paul Bunyan Classic
 - viii. February 17-18, 2024 – Girls Paul Bunyan Classic

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discipline Committee
 - i. Structure
 - 1. 3 person group
 - 2. 3 have been asked and accepted
 - 3. Non-parent, non-board members, nominated by the board
- b. Bullying Policy
- c. Conduct Policy
 - i. Parent
 - ii. Player
 - iii. Coaches

This is being worked on and will have rough drafts for the next meeting
- d. Player Scholarships
 - 50% off registration fee with free or reduced lunch or picture of MA card*
- e. Yearly Scholarships
- f. Mental Health Resources
 - i. Matt will have this at the September meeting...
- g. Away Tournament Schedules
- h. BBA Day - January 27th (Saturday) – boys @ 1pm + 3pm, girls @ 5pm + 6:30pm
- i. Recruitment Coordinator
 - i. BBA in-house league (Grades 3-6)
 - 1. I have talked to a lot of people about this since our last meeting and there seems to be large support.
 - 2. A handful of people I talked to mentioned their kids left basketball because of the co-ed nature early on at the “Y”...is it helpful to have them play against same grade, same gender (K-1st). Not sure what that looks like but I heard the same thing from a number of people...all whose kids now play hockey or ski. It could be as easy a conversation / suggestion to Jessica Erickson at the “Y”

This was discussed and decided to possibly look at some open gyms on Sunday nights to see the interest level.

VII. ADJOURNMENT