

## EPGBA Board Meeting Minutes 1-17-11

<b>Members Present:</b>	Mike Kuntz Eva Boehm Brian Nordskog Jessica Jirele Rob Wilke	Lisa Platt John Boehm Scott Verkinderen Danny Olsen Tim Jones	Paul Tucci Renee Splittgerber Debbie Weliver Jon Nordquist
<b>Members Absent:</b>	Mike Fuhs Linda Zurn	David Jirele Jim Lindgren	Kris Kuderer
<b>Others Present:</b>	Adam Weliver David Chandler Carrie Shinas	Tim Bradley Stephen Martin	Brenda Gorsett Nicole Higgins
<b>Location:</b>	Eden Prairie Community Center		

<b>Topic/Issue</b>	Summary
<b>Call to order</b>	John B. called the January 2011 EPGBA board meeting to order at 7:05
<b>Adopt Agenda</b>	Brian N. asked to have a new business item added to agenda. Mike K. moved (Scott V.) to approve the agenda with addition. Motion approved by voice vote.
<b>Approve Minutes</b>	<p>Mike K. moved (Brian N. second) to approve the October 17, 2010 minutes as provided. Motion approved by voice vote.</p> <p>John B. shared the positive features of our EP tournament: wide range of concessions, one location, strong volunteers, we provide scorekeepers. John also recognized and thanked EP tournament co-directors, Debbie Weliver and Linda Zurn, as well as Lisa Platt, concession's coordinator and other tournament committee members, Renee Splittgerber, Kris Kuderer and Eva Boehm.</p>
<b>President's Report</b>	<p>John shared that he has heard nothing, but positive feedback from parents regarding the travel players attendance and help during Rookie &amp; In-house practices.</p> <p>The March 2011 board meeting will be EPGBA's annual meeting and officer elections. If there are any current board members interested in running for one of the 5 officer/executive board positions is asked to contact Eva to have name put on ballot. John also encouraged 6 guests in attendance to consider joining the board.</p>
<b>Financial Report</b>	Lisa P. provided the financial update. Cash flow statement and itemized tournament financial report to board members. Lisa has financial book

<p><b>Secretary Report</b></p>	<p>available to any board member for audit. Lisa P. provided the financial update. Cash flow statement and itemized tournament financial report to board members.</p> <p>Lisa has financial book available to any board member for audit.</p> <p>Eva B. shared that a notice of the next board meeting will be posted in the EP News. Board members with terms expiring in March 2011 were asked to contact Eva to indicate intentions for upcoming year. These members include David Jirele, Danny Olson, Lisa Platt, John Boehm, Eva Boehm, Jessica Jirele, Mike Kuntz, Michelle Leisen, Jon Nordquist, Paul Tucci, Rob Wilke and Linda Zurn. Current members that have another year of their 2 year term include; Renee Splittgerber, Kris Kuderer, Debbie Weliver, Mike Fuhs, Tim Jones, Scott Verkinderen and Jim Lindgren.</p> <p>According to resolution 0910-7-03, approved by EPGBA board in March 2010, Carrie Shinas and Adam Weliver will have the right to vote for officers in the March 2011 elections because they have attended the previous two board meetings.</p>
<p><b>Executive Committee</b></p>	<p>John B. reported that the Exec board has met both in person and by conference call several times since EPGBA's October board meeting. Items discussed have included EPGBA's position on outside sponsors, spring basketball team formation and the release of and settlement with 6A travel coach, Anthony Tsakakis.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EPGBA has policy that states that "The EPGBA does not sponsor AAU teams." Historically, if girls wanted to continue play past the winter season, they either play for established AAU teams (43Hoops, North Tartan, Suns, Fury, etc.) or play for an AAU/MYAS team pulled together by parent coaches. To assist parent coaches interested in forming such teams, the EPGBA plans to supply information on how parent coaches can go about forming their own spring teams.</li> <li>• Paul T., John B. &amp; Jon. N will meet with Varsity coach Chris Carr in January to discuss summer 2011 basketball programming.</li> <li>• Paul T. reported that EPGBA coaching directors released the 6A travel coach of his coaching responsibilities the last week of October. Anthony Tsakakis sued EPGBA in 4<sup>th</sup> district conciliation court for \$2,500. EPGBA settled out of court on Dec. 22, 2010 for \$850 and the return of team equipment bag. Special thanks extended to board members involved with this settlement and to Bob Kuderer for donating his expertise and attorney services.</li> <li>• John B. shared some highlights from the mid-season parent survey. Overall parents are pleased with their EPGBA travel season experience. Survey data will be shared with coaching directors and they will summarize and share feedback with travel coaches. Note: survey is designed so parent comments remain anonymous to board members.</li> </ul> <p>Mike K. and Jon N. shared highlights from the in-house program. EPGBA</p>

<p><b>In-House Report</b></p>	<p>offers leagues from kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. All leagues are in process and overall numbers are up over last year. Travel teams have been scheduled to assist Denny Tape, one of the coaching directors, at each Rookie league session for the remainder of the season.</p> <p>Denny Tape is providing the following service for coaches of 3-8 grade in-house teams: scripted practice with video links of practice drills featuring EPGBA players. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> grade teams are wearing colored wristbands during games so players can easily find their player when on defense. Coaches are in-favor of this change. Tim Bradley, in-house 6<sup>th</sup> grade coach, added that he has been a coach in the in-house program for 3 years and this year has been the best experience thus far.</p> <p>For the 9-12<sup>th</sup> grade in-house league, Jon N. expressed his thanks to the recruiting efforts of Chad Flies and Colleen Van Riper Rose. Because of their efforts there are 61 girls participating. EPGBA reduced the player fee from \$100 to \$80 to attract more players/teams. EPGBA has also accepted Edina in-house players as their program folded. Stephen Martin, 9-12 in-house coach, shared his opinion with the board that participation numbers may be lower next year due to graduation, and suggested EPGBA consider a way to ‘get into the in-house community’ next year to encourage girls to sign up and play.</p> <p>The EP community facilities offices has taken back some gym space from our in-house program, and in-house directors are in process of scheduling gym time for an end of the season HS in-house round-robin style tournament.</p>
<p><b>Travel Committee</b></p>	<p>No report – committee will be meeting in late January/February.</p>
<p><b>New Business</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>State Tournament T-Shirts:</b> For the past several years EPGBA has had t-shirts made and distributed to travel coaches and players to wear at the MYAS state tournament in March. Eva B. (Tim J. second) motioned to have board member, Danny Olsen, design and order EPGBA state tournament t-shirts for the travel team players for the MYAS state tournament, not to exceed \$10.00 per shirt. Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.</li> <li>• <b>SWISH News – article suggestions.</b> Eva B. asked board members for topics for the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of the Swish news. Date for publication will be early February.</li> <li>• <b>Ad hoc committee</b> John B. suggested that EPGBA create an Ad hoc committee to study EPGBA’s practice of marketing outside businesses. Eva B. has completed a quick study of the websites of 36 metro area girls’ basketball</li> </ul>

<p><b>Old Business</b></p>	<p>associations to understand how many advertise businesses and/or training programs have space on their website. The following board members volunteered to serve on this committee: Brian N., Paul T., Tim J., Mike K. and Eva B.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5A player situation Brian N. approached the board to inquire about board's position on attendance at practices and tournaments for travel players on scholarship. After discussion, John B. recommended Brian N. write a letter to family of the travel player stating EPGBA's attendance policy. This letter will be reviewed by executive committee prior to sending. Interpreter service will be made available to family.</li> <li>• Photo Follow-up Eva B. shared that all in-house and travel teams were invited to have their photos taken with Sunshine photography on Saturday, Jan. 8, 2011. Approximately 50% of Rookie league players showed up and one group picture was taken. Jessica Jirele also used this day to sell left over tournament merchandise (t-shirts, sweatpants and vehicle stickers).</li> <li>• EP Eagle Eye Club recognition at EPHS varsity home game. Special thanks to Jon N. for securing player awards (bag tags) and organizing with varsity program. Unanimous reaction by girls was the enormity of Coach Carr's hands when he shook their hands.</li> <li>• Player Passes – board members and parents are encouraged to thank Mike Grant, EP athletic director, for his approval and cooperation of 2010/2011 travel player passes into EPHS girls' varsity home games.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Adjourn</b></p>	<p>Scott V. (Jon N second) motioned to adjourn Jan. 2011 EPGBA board meeting. Voice vote approval.</p> <p>The meeting was adjourned at 8:20.</p>

The next meeting – annual membership and board elections - is scheduled for 7:00 PM on March 20, 2011 at the Eden Prairie Community Center.

Respectfully submitted on Jan. 21, 2011  
Eva Boehm, Secretary, Eden Prairie Girls Basketball Association.