

# EPGBA BOARD MEETING

October 19, 2014 7:00pm  
Eden Prairie Community Center



## MEETING MINUTES

**Board Members Present:** Reid Baynes, Suzanne Becker, Jeff Burke, Matt Davies, Lisa Ellis, Rayanne Foss, Rob Laumeier, Joel Matthews, Julie Peyer, Bob Wentzel

**Board Members Absent:** Corey Cain, James Clairmont, Denelle Flesner-Czech, Brenda Gorsett, Jennifer Mathews, Jon Nordquist

**Meeting called to order:** 7:02pm

**Previous Meeting Minutes:** *Motion to adopt September Meeting Minutes made by Matt Davies and seconded by Joel Matthews. Motion carried.*

### **High School Varsity Team Captains (Emma Boehm, Alyssa Splittgerber, Andi Jirele)**

- Talked about Big Sister/Little Sister program – HS will do this again this season. Big Sisters will be assigned by Nov 20<sup>th</sup> to Travel team. Big Sisters will try to attend practices and tourney games if possible. Travel teams are invited to the HS girls Intra-Squad Scrimmage on Nov 24<sup>th</sup>. There will be an ice cream social afterwards for Travel girls and Big Sisters to hang out. Varsity girls are asking Travel teams to make posters for the Intra-Squad Scrimmage to support the Big Sisters and HS teams. If Travel teams would like the same Big Sister from previous year(s), this can be requested.
- Chipotle Fundraiser Night on Oct 21<sup>st</sup>; girls provided Board with info to send out to members. Chipotle is giving a portion of proceeds to the HS program.
- Selling ad space in game programs as fundraiser. Girls provided Board members with pricing and information on purchasing ad space. The program ads have a deadline of Nov 10<sup>th</sup>. Families can also support HS program by sponsoring a game ball for a specific game or becoming a booster family by making a donation. Booster families are listed in the program.
- The girls handed out the varsity schedule for the season. Youth Night will be Jan 30<sup>th</sup>. EPGBA will also hand out player awards on Youth Night; Summer Program Committee will meet to coordinate awards needed.

### **Player Development Committee Report**

- Reid provided update on Positive Coaching Alliance (PCA). We only have \$300-\$400 budgeted for sportsmanship training this year and cost would be approx \$2100 for 3-yr commitment to PCA. Decision was made to table for this year and look at putting it in place maybe next year. Reid wants to talk to other associations for feedback and also look into partnerships to lower costs.
- Lisa talked about Trusted Coaches from MYAS. This will provide first aid, positive alliance coaching, and concussion training to all coaches. MYAS will provide this Trusted Coaches training free in exchange for survey feedback afterwards.
- Background checks are almost done. We only need one more. Everyone has passed so far.

### **Marketing & Operations Committee Report**

- Rob created coaching request website for coaches to request help from the coaching directors. This has been emailed out to all the coaches – epgbacoach.com.
- Still trying to get ownership of 'epgba.org' web address, no luck so far.

- We are moving forward with the Schwan's fundraiser. The campaign will run from Nov 10–Dec 25. This will be mailed out to all Travel and In-House families.

#### **Finance Committee Report**

- Jeff will be sending out the financials. Tournament fees have been mailed to other associations to cover our travel fees. Final numbers will be given on summer programs.

#### **In-House Committee Report**

- Registration numbers are down from previous years. Registration is open until Nov 1<sup>st</sup> and reminder email went out tonight. Postcards were sent this year in the mail to families. Oct 25<sup>th</sup> is coaches' clinic.

#### **Travel Committee Report**

- Discussion on the possibility of an email going out to members about the referendum vote. Suzanne shared an example of an email that could be communicated to our members about the vote and highlighting some of the items related to it. Board members discussed the pros/cons of sending this out to our members. It was decided that we, as EPGBA, would not send this type of communication to our members.
- Uniforms will be handed out this week at practice. Spirit Wear should be coming the week after and coaches' shirts also coming. Spirit Wear website will re-open for Travel & In-House families on Nov 3.
- Tip-Off Tourney brackets are done – games will be generated next. We have 124 teams signed up. We will host some games at CMS this year on Saturday only. The brackets and SignUp Genius for volunteers are scheduled to go out to Travel families on Wed this week. The volunteer shifts should be 3 games long. Head coaches don't need to volunteer for a shift.

#### **Other Business**

- Suzanne asked Board if we should donate money to the High School Girls Basketball program for time worked at the EP Tip-Off Tourney. Julie also asked if the EPGBA would be interested in purchasing an advertisement in the High School program in support of Lady Eagles.
  - ❖ *Motion made by Rob Laumeyer to pay the HS program \$10 per game worked by a high school player or family member and also to purchase an ad in the HS game programs and seconded by Jeff Burke. Motion carried.*

**Meeting Adjournment:** *Motion to adjourn meeting made by Reid Baynes and seconded by Julie Peyer. Motion carried and meeting adjourned.*

**Next Board Meeting:** November 16, 2014 @ 7:00 pm; Eden Prairie Community Center

Respectfully submitted by Denelle Flesner-Czech, EPGBA Secretary. Minutes recorded by Rayanne Foss in Denelle's absence at meeting.