

# EPGBA BOARD MEETING

November 22, 2015 7:00pm  
Eden Prairie Community Center



## MEETING MINUTES

**Board Members Present:** Carmen Bamlett, Reid Baynes, Suzanne Becker, Jeff Burke, Corey Cain, Matt Davies, Lisa Ellis, Denelle Flesner-Czech, Rayanne Foss, Beth Peta, Julie Peyer, Bob Wentzel

**Board Members Absent:** Blythe Davis, Rob Laumeyer, Jon Nordquist

**Coaching Directors Present:** Chad Flies, Denny Tape

**Non-Board Members Present:** Riley Moorjani

**Meeting called to order:** 7:06pm

**Meeting Agenda:** *Motion to adopt meeting agenda made by Beth Peta and seconded by Matt Davies. Motion carried.*

**Previous Meeting Minutes:** *Motion to approve meeting minutes for October meeting made by Julie Peyer and seconded by Reid Baynes. Motion carried.*

### ***Regular Business Agenda Items***

#### **Travel Committee Report**

EP Tip-Off Tournament Recap

- Seemed to have a high number officiating complaints.
- It worked well to minimize use of court 7 (main gym – west) and pull out bleachers for extra seating.
- We are estimating a \$7,000 decrease in net profits from last year to this year. When considering the decrease in the number of teams we had this year, it equates to approximately \$300 of revenue per team. The Board will need to weigh the increase in revenue with holding a larger tournament vs the difficulty in obtaining enough volunteers or asking parents to work additional volunteer hours.
- The on-site EMT was kept quite busy. In the future, the Board should make sure there is a clear understanding as to the authority of the EMT to recommend players not participate (i.e., suspicion of concussion). Because there was an ambulance call this year, the Board should also be aware of any liability to the EPGBA in the event of future calls and have established protocol for who should call the ambulance.
- Reviewed how to handle EPGBA coaching complaints. In cases where one of our coaches is not adhering to our Code of Conduct, any issue(s) should be brought forth in writing to the Board President. The VP of Travel and Coaching Directors will be brought in as needed and the situation dealt with appropriately. These situations do not need to be handled at the Board level.
- Big sisters have been assigned – need to notify teams.
- Rayanne will send message to team managers asking each team to let her know how many players are expected to attend the varsity scrimmage on Saturday of Thanksgiving weekend. Based on board member responses, prediction would be about 25% of travel players. Rayanne

will also check with HS captains' parents to see if it still makes sense to proceed with such a low predicted turn-out.

- Working to solidify our financial relationship with the HS program. Need to ensure there is a benefit for the EPGBA before giving EPGBA dollars to the HS program. Coach Johnson has made some specific financial requests that the Executive Committee will meet on separately and bring a recommendation to the Board. Due to timing, there will most likely need to be a special board meeting (i.e., e-mails and/or conference call) in the near future.

#### **Finance Committee Report**

- Officially switching our bank to Wells Fargo to reduce some of our banking fees including fees for online payments made by our membership.
- EPHS switching to a single application for all scholarships, which would include our EPGBA scholarship. Jeff has reviewed the new application and it covers most of what we had in our original EPGBA application form. Scholarship applications are due by the end of January.

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

- The plan to solicit sponsorship funds didn't work as well as hoped, but the new goal is to double the number of sponsorships for next season.
- Our first "Dine Around Eden Prairie" event (Red's Savoy Pizza) made \$185 for EPGBA. The next event will be December 14 at Chipotle from 4:00-8:00pm. Chipotle will donate 20% of money spent by those who mention the EPGBA fundraiser.
- Looking at possibly Smashburger and Davanni's for January and February events.
- Beth and Rob in process of getting our sponsors updated on our website.

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

- Player clinics were held throughout November.
- Registration is now closed and the numbers are still down from last year.
- All In-House teams have assigned coaches, but we are still looking for grade-level commissioners.
- The Positive Coaching Alliance presentation on Nov 14 received positive feedback from parents. We should add their logo to our website.
- HS program will be starting the first week in December. Last year there were 60 girls who participated.

#### **Other Business Items**

- Board member progression and new member recruitment will be tabled until next meeting.

**Meeting Adjournment:** *Motion to adjourn meeting made by Reid Baynes and seconded by Jeff Burke. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 9:08pm.*

**Next Board Meeting:** January 17, 2015, 7:00pm; Eden Prairie Community Center

Respectfully submitted by Denelle Flesner-Czech, EPGBA Secretary