

EPGBA BOARD MEETING

August 21, 2016 7:00pm
Eden Prairie Community Center



MEETING MINUTES

Board Members Present: Carmen Bamlett, Reid Baynes, Jeff Burke, Matt Davies, Lisa Ellis, Denelle Flesner-Czech, Rayanne Foss, Guy Grussing, Riley Moorjani, Beth Peta, Julie Peyer

Board Members Absent: RebeccaLyn Brettin, Corey Cain, Amy Helget, Todd Holloway

Non-Board Members Present: John McNulty

Meeting called to order: 7:13 pm

Meeting Agenda: *Motion to adopt meeting agenda made by Jeff Burke and seconded by Reid Baynes. Motion carried.*

Previous Meeting Minutes: *Motion to approve meeting minutes for July meeting made by Julie Peyer and seconded by Beth Peta. Motion carried.*

Regular Business Agenda Items

Finance Committee

- *Motion to approve May financials made by Beth Peta and seconded by Reid Baynes. Motion carried.*
- *Motion to approve July financials made by Lisa Ellis and seconded by Riley Moorjani. Motion carried.*
- 2016-17 budget has been 'finalized' with the assumption that we will host a spring tournament again.
 - ❖ Much discussion around whether or not we want to host a tournament again.
 - ❖ The VP of Travel cannot also serve as the spring tournament director so we need someone else from the board to step into the tournament director role in order to realistically consider hosting.
 - ❖ Is the HS program interested in taking over or taking on a larger role in hosting one?
 - ❖ The possible weekends for hosting are Apr 22-23, May 6-7, May 13-14, & May 20-21. Some of these are two-day tournaments and others are two single-day tournaments. To capitalize financially, we would prefer a two-day tournament.
- Tabled vote on approval of the budget until it can be decided if we will host a spring tournament or not. Host application deadlines are not due yet so we can resume discussion at our September board meeting.

In-House Committee

- Working on finalizing rules that will be used this season – particularly around moving 3rd/4th grade away from 3-dribble rule. Trying to set new rules to keep In-House games competitive and fair and yet also better prepare girls for play in West Metro League.
- McKella Nordquist will be the In-House referee coordinator again this season.
- Kit Cooper will be coming in September to host a referee workshop.

Marketing Committee

- Peachjar flyer sent out with information for both Travel and In-House programs.
- Have secured some sponsors for this season, some of which are new this year (yay!). Continuing to pursue securing additional sponsors. Need to make sure we get our website updated with this season's sponsor logos.

Travel Committee*Coach Recruiting*

- With a recommendation from Coach Johnson and several candidates from our Indeed.com posting, we feel we have a sufficient number of coach applicants to consider for this upcoming season's paid coaches. Just need to determine our number of teams and where/how many coaches are needed.

General

- Have 70 girls registered for the Travel season so far and are expecting more to sign up.
- Have 56 girls registered for the Tune-Up Clinics which is quite a bit lower than last year. Last year we had 75 participants in our clinics. Coach Johnson and some of her staff members plan on stopping by at some of the clinics.
- Tony Olsen's group will be used for our evaluations again this year. There will be 8 evaluators (instead of 7) with 4 of them being female evaluators. We also requested a specific evaluator not be involved again and that request will be honored.
- It was discussed and decided that in order to best oversee the evaluations process and preserve its integrity, the President and VP of Travel should be present in the gyms during the tryouts according to the following policy language changes:

Section 3) G) Evaluation

- iii) The President and VP of Travel will oversee the work of the evaluators during tryouts with the following conditions:
 - 1) They will not be evaluating.
 - 2) They may not oversee a tryout session in which they have a family member trying out for a travel team.

*Motion to adopt Evaluation policy language made by Reid Baynes and seconded by Jeff Burke.
Motion carried.*

President's Report

- Still working on potentially having the MN Timberwolves and Lynx conduct a basketball clinic at our Activity Center over the holiday break in December. Our available dates have been sent to them and we're just waiting to hear back if we're selected as a site.
- Coach Johnson would like to become more involved with our Travel program, particularly with our 7th and 8th grade teams. She would like to see those teams start to install her 'system' so they are ready for the high school program.
- Coach Johnson has questioned the amount the EPGBA retained as an administrative fee for our assistance in getting the summer programs up and running. She was under the impression that our administrative fee would be capped at \$500. After much discussion, the board felt the administrative fee collected was reasonable per the agreement that was presented at the beginning of the summer and considering the amount of work that was put in by various board members and instead opted to present the high school program with a donation to be used at Coach Johnson's discretion. This has been done in past years when financially feasible.

Other Business Items

- Reminder that we will have a special closed board meeting on Sunday, Sept 11 at 6:30pm at the High School. Tryouts conclude earlier in the day and this meeting will focus solely on any votes needed to amend policy for forming our travel teams.

Meeting Adjournment: *Motion to adjourn meeting made by Reid Baynes and seconded by Jeff Burke. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 9:24pm.*

Next Board Meeting: September 18, 7:00pm; Eden Prairie Community Center

Respectfully submitted by Denelle Flesner-Czech, EPGBA Secretary