

EPGBA BOARD MEETING

November 19, 2017 7:00pm
Eden Prairie Community Center



MEETING MINUTES

Board Members Present: Carmen Bamlett, Beth Peta, Brian Landwehr, Riley Moorjani, Darren McNeil, Todd Holloway, Colleen Schlagel, Sarah Jordan, Reid Baynes, Reba Brettin, Matt Davies, Amy Helget, Julie Peyer, Corey Cain, Guy Grussing, Donnell Krueger, Jonathan Laffond, Carol Tape

Board Members Absent: Cassandra Hardwick, John McNulty

Non-Board Members Present: Nancy Metzger

Meeting called to order: 7:00 pm

Meeting Agenda:

- *Motion to adopt meeting agenda made by Todd Holloway and seconded by Reid Baynes. Motion carried.*

Previous Meeting Minutes:

- *Motion to approve October board meeting minutes made by Brian Landwehr and seconded by Julie Peyer. Motion carried.*

Regular Business Agenda Items

Finance Committee

- Registration income coming from paid coach checks, tournament registration and some in-house, plus a few sponsor checks. Expenses for the month were mostly from renewing our insurance, registration for our teams in tournaments, paying coaching directors, trophies for tournaments.
- Coaching director hours from last year were carried over into this year; hence the increase. Plus we had some tip-off tournament fees (paid high school gym fees in the first fiscal month).
- *Motion to approve October financials made by Todd Holloway and seconded by Brian Landwehr. Motion carried.*

In-house Committee

- As of today, we have 27 registered for 2nd grade; 38 for 3rd and 4th grade, 34 for 5th and 6th grade, 11 for 7th and 8th grade.
- Had our third clinic last weekend. Denny and Alex walked kids through drills.
- We formed teams this past weekend. Practice schedules were published this weekend and are starting this week.
- West Metro League is finalizing schedules this week and we should post this week.
- Jerseys are distributed.
- Now time to focus on high school age groups.
- Planning a jamboree on March 3rd.

Travel Committee

Travel Tournament

We had 83 teams attend our Tip Off tournament giving away 10 free entries. Overall feedback was great and we handled only a few minor complaints, including very limited issues with referees. Since we did not

anticipate having a 5C bracket we did not have trophies ordered and those will be mailed to the teams. At this point we are seeing a \$24,000 profit but there are still more expenses coming in.

Player Development Committee

We are in our third year of our 3-year commitment with Positive Coaching Alliance. Each year we get 2 sessions with them. We have 3 more sessions to use – 45 minutes each. PCA has a message we want to deliver consistently each year. More thought will go into this but wanted everyone be aware we're continuing to move forward with more sessions.

President's Report

Matt shared his thoughts on how we may want to explore finding insurance coverage, possibly under a Workers Comp policy, for our paid coaches. He will do more research into this and report back in the near future.

Matt is receiving a lot of calls for play time issues, most of which came from the EP tournament. An email was sent out to all coaches reminding them of the policy
Per EPGBA Policy, if the basic requirements (attendance, effort/focus and attitude/coach-ability) are met, Players should receive at least 50% of playing time over the course of each tournament if eight or fewer players suit up; and at least 40% of playing time over the course of each tournament if more than eight players suit up. There are NO exceptions, we are an organization focused on providing skill development.

Our travel season is in full swing as most of our teams have had 2 tournaments already. We discussed that having larger teams this year can cause a variety of challenging issues that we are not used to seeing when we've had 8 or 9 player size teams. Parents are also preferring to call Matt or Julie first with complaints rather than making contact with the coach first.

Meeting Adjournment:

- *Motion to adjourn meeting made by Corey Cain and seconded by Reba Brettin. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 8:03pm*

Next Board Meeting: January 21, 2018, 7pm; at the Eden Prairie Community Center.

Respectfully submitted by Carmen Bamlett, EPGBA Secretary