

EPGBA BOARD MEETING

September 19, 2018 7:15pm
Eden Prairie Community Center



MEETING MINUTES

Board Members Present: Jodi Archuleta, Mark Archuleta, Carmen Bamlett, Monique Baune, Reid Baynes, Joe Brazil, Lisa Brazil, Shari Breuer, Pam Dvoracek, Amy Helget, Brandi Hoffmann, Todd Holloway, Sarah Jordan, Donnell Krueger, Jonathan Laffond, Brian Landwehr, Darren McNeil, Nancy Metzger, Riley Moorjani, Julie Peyer, Emily Rice, Colleen Schlagel, Carol Tape

Board Members Absent: Kari Anseth

Non-Board Members Present: Denny Tape, Alex Wolter, Tina Gmitro, Courtney Heimerl, Deb Dennin, Michelle Mack, John Weber, Sarah McNeil, Scott Dennin, Jennifer Ash, Mike and Rachael Walvatne, Ranjani Balakrishna, Kirk Edwards, Jeremy Peyer, Cassandra Hardwick, Randall Hardwick, and three illegible names

Meeting called to order: 7:15 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 August board meeting minutes made by Donnell Krueger and seconded by Jonathan Laffond. Motion carried.*

Regular Business Agenda Items

Finance Committee

- We are postponing our finance discussion for October's board meeting.

Inhouse Committee

- Registration Update – Julie Peyer reported that as of yesterday 103 players registered which is comparable to last year at this time. Last year our in-house program had 139 total without high school players. Season starts November 4. Parent meeting on October 13th. Another request for volunteers to step up and help as no one has yet offered to take on the VP of In-house role.

Travel Committee

- Tournament Update – Todd Holloway – Still trying to lock in teams. We've learned there is another tournament held that same weekend so we continue to have competition that first weekend in November. We have 2 new vendors: Kona Ice instead of Maui Waui and then we have another sandwich food truck.
- Recap of Travel Tryouts – Julie Peyer stated that as a general update, beyond the 6th grade, she received only two inquiries from parents seeking feedback on their daughter's placement. As a refresher to all the board members and non-board members Julie walked through the two-day tryout process up until the point of when the board approved the final numbers of each team. At this time, she opened it up to all the present board and non-board members to share concerns of the 6th grade tryout results. Captured here are questions asked of those in attendance:

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- Who decides how to balance the team based on position?
- How is that balance determined?
- Who oversees the evaluators?
- Who gives the evaluator the final say in what position they play?
- Is there a prioritization on position over skill or skill over position?
- Why did the evaluators ask the girls what position they play?
- How do you do a 'gut' check between the two tryout dates without knowing the names?
- Who made the final decision on the team?
- Why don't we (the board) get to see the evaluation sheets?
- Why can't someone get on the A team who plays on a top tier AAU team?
- Why don't we take coach feedback into consideration?
- Who was in the room with the evaluators during their recommendation?
- Would we do another evaluation of the grade in question?
- Following a lengthy discussion between all present it was determined that there needed to be a short term action to review the 6th grade results and a 7th grader playing up policy, as well as a long term need action to rewrite travel tryout process.

Motion to have a task force made up of Ellen Wiese (EPHS varsity coach, Brian Landwehr (EPGBA Treasurer), Carmen Bamlett (EPGBA Secretary) and Bob Daly (6th grade paid coach) to determine if a violation occurred to the travel tryout policy and placement of teams for the 6th grades and 8th grade. If a policy violation is identified then this task force may change the team make up provided no cuts would be made to any team. Motion made by Colleen Schlagel and seconded by Sarah Jordan. Brian Landwehr, Donnell Krueger and Julie Peyer abstained. Motion carried.

Motion to review existing policy and present a new evaluation process for travel tryouts with a task force committee of no more than one representation from each 2018-19 travel team made by Donnell Krueger and seconded by Sarah Jordan. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjournment:

- *Motion to adjourn meeting made by Todd Holloway and seconded by Reid Baynes. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 9:35pm*

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

Respectfully submitted by Carmen Bamlett, EPGBA Secretary