

# EPGBA BOARD MEETING

**September 15, 2019 5:30pm**  
**Eden Prairie High School**



*Our mission is to create a fun, fair and safe basketball environment that is focused on providing skills development as well as fostering respect for others, self-confidence, leadership and teamwork in our Eden Prairie student athletes. We will strive to provide the best competition at all levels while maintaining the highest degree of participation and sportsmanship.*

## MEETING MINUTES

**Board Members Present:** Molly Anderson, Kari Anseth, Jodi Archuleta, Jennifer Ash, Monique Baune, Joe Brazil, Lisa Brazil, Shari Breuer, Pam Dvoracek, Cassandra Hardwick, Brandi Hoffmann, Todd Holloway, Sarah Jordan, Donnell Krueger, Brian Landwehr, Michelle Mack, Darren McNeil, Julie Peyer, Emily Rice, Colleen Schlagel, Ellen Wiese

**Board Members Absent:** Mark Archuleta, Amy Helget, Jon McNair, Cliff Mahto, Nancy Metzger, Riley Moorjani, Carol Tape

**Non-Board Members Present:** Lo Barnes

**Meeting called to order:** 5:32 pm

### Meeting Agenda:

- *Motion to adopt meeting agenda made by Donnell Krueger and seconded by Brian Landwehr. All in favor. Motion carried.*

### Previous Meeting Minutes:

- *Motion to approve August board meeting minutes made by Cassandra Hardwick and seconded by Michelle Mack. All in favor. Motion carried.*

### Special Agenda Items

#### Travel Tryouts Update and Decisions

- Donnell Krueger confirmed that 90 girls registered for travel and 89 participated in tryouts. Eleven teams were formed as follows with no players being cut:
  - 4B (8 players), 5A (8 players), 5B (8 players), 6A (8 players), 6B (8 players), 6C (8 players), 7A (8 players), 7B (8 players), 7C (8 players), 8B (9 players), 8C (8 players).
  - However, 7C might end up with seven players on the team depending on a player decision. The head coach is willing to coach a team of seven, however forming a team with less than 8 players is contrary to EPGBA policy.
- *Motion made by Monique Baune to allow a 7C team to be formed with seven players if necessary. Seconded by Sarah Jordan. All in favor. Motion carried.*
- Varsity Coach Ellen Wiese reported that the tryout process overall went well and all evaluators and coaches were professional, diligent and conscientious.
  - The independent evaluators did an excellent job, took meticulous notes, ranked all players and were fully engaged.
  - The Team Formation Committee of head coaches plus Ellen and Coaching Director Lo Barnes considered everything, read all evaluator notes, reviewed coach post-season evaluations and collaborated to make the best possible decisions.
  - Coach Lo and Coach Sarah Jordan concurred that the process worked well and ran smoothly.

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

#### **Finance Committee**

- Per Brian Landwehr, income in August 2019 came primarily from Travel registrations, Tune-up clinics and In-House registrations. Revenues are coming in a little quicker than in prior years due to the new website payment system.
- Outflows in August 2019 were primarily related to paying coaches for summer clinics.
- *Motion to approve August 2019 financials made by Jodi Archuleta and seconded by Shari Breuer. All in favor. Motion carried.*

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

- In-House rule change – Julie Peyer recapped that the Board had proposed several changes to third grade rules this season including moving from a 9-foot to a 10-foot hoop. Parents expressed concerns, so the Board has made a decision to continue using a 9-foot hoop this season and focus on working with coaches to develop good shooting form. The move to a 10-foot hoop for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade will be put in place for the 2020-2021 season.

#### **Travel Committee**

- EP Tournament update – Per Colleen Schlagel, 59 teams are already registered, not including Eden Prairie's 11 teams. The goal is 90-100 teams, up from 82 teams in 2018. Planning to have the brackets published and the EP volunteer roles posted right after MEA (one week earlier than last year). Board members will be asked to volunteer for special jobs.
- Spirit wear update – Given that the spirit wear samples intended to be on display during tryouts were held up due to transportation delays, Monique Baune proposed that they be displayed during the EP tournament instead. The Board agreed and recommended staffing a spirit wear table during the tournament on Saturday, Nov 2. This will be communicated to families once the spirit wear website re-opens after tryouts.
- MYAS invite-only tournaments – Per Colleen Schlagel, 7A was previously invited and now other teams may be invited to other MYAS special events. The Board agreed that any invite-only tournaments will not count toward the total number of tournaments allowed per team.

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

- Sponsorship update – The committee of Cassandra Hardwick and Emily Rice secured \$6,750 in sponsorships thus far (up from \$4,000 last year). This includes six sponsors of the shooting shirts and enough extra revenue to pay for shooting shirts for all Travel players. A few potential sponsors are still being pursued.
- Dine-Outs update – Emily Rice is working to get those scheduled monthly starting in November.
- Mentoring update – Pam Dvoracek and Nancy Metzger met with Varsity Coach Ellen Wiese to set up three events for the high school mentors and their youth teams:
  - November 18, 5:30-6:15pm – Mentor Match-Up Night
  - January 2, 12:30-1:30pm – All Youth Party
  - January 20, 10:00-11:00am – Community Service Project

#### **President's Report**

- EPGBA Culture – The Board is forming a committee to take action to build an EPGBA Culture. Volunteers include: Molly Anderson, Donnell Krueger, Monique Baune, Cassandra Hardwick (co-chair), Emily Rice (co-chair). Others should contact Cassandra or Emily if interested in joining.

#### **New Business**

- October Board Meeting Date – The regularly scheduled meeting date of Sunday, October 20 falls during MEA weekend. The Board determined that meeting on Sunday, October 27 was preferred.

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- *Motion to reschedule the October Board meeting from Sunday, October 20 at 7:00pm to Sunday, October 27 at 7:00pm was made by Cassandra Hardwick and seconded by Michelle Mack. All in favor. Motion carried.*

### **Meeting Adjournment:**

- *Motion to adjourn meeting made by Brian Landwehr and seconded by Jodi Archuleta. All in favor. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 6:16 pm.*

**Next Board Meeting:** Sunday, October 27, 2019 at 7:00pm at the Eden Prairie Community Center, Room 201.

Respectfully submitted by Emily Rice, EPGBA Secretary