

Franklin Basketball Association Board Meeting
July 22nd 2014
Minutes

Pete Cacioppo
John Loukota
Bob Pingeton
Kevin O'Connell
Greg Walsh
Steve Harvey

Topics:

- **Coaches Committee**
 - 4 members from the EBA: 1.Pete 2.Steve 3.Bob 4.John
 - **Action:** Looking for at least 3 others (non-board members) that will be appointed by the President
 - Board members to make suggestions on candidates

- **Coaches Interviews**
 - Potential date September 6th or 7th
 - **Action:** Need to find a location... Pete will secure
 - Pete will send out initial email to perspective coaches when details are finalized
 - **Action:** Need 4th grade coaching candidates and a couple names were discussed

- **Advisory Committee**
 - Role will be to take on topics that the membership can be uncomfortable going directly to the EB while providing informed guidance.
 - EB will pick the committee through recruitment
 - **Action:** Looking to fill the roles with 5 people in the membership (non-voting)/ no head coaches

- **Coaches Handbook**
 - Not to take the place of the mentor program
 - Good tool for new coaches
 - Document will be posted on line so coaches can go in and add material (collaborative)
 - **Action:** John will locate an existing document that was started in previous years

- **Coaches Night**
 - 1 night a month for coaches to gather and talk hoop
 - East Coast driving school would be a good location... **Action:** Bob P. to talk to Joe Evans about securing once a month
 - **Action:** Steve Harvey will coordinate

- **Player Rest Initiative**
 - 1 kid each week is given a game off to keep game rosters to 11 making it easier on coaches for substitutions

- Board was not in agreement on whether this should be proposed
 - Arguments on both sides: Financial Aspect/Doesn't guarantee more playing time/Risk of losing a key player against a tough team
 - How do we approach:
 1. Do coaches approach parents for approval?
 2. Is it a team decision or board mandated?
 3. Put it to the coaches for a vote?
 - No vote taken and the decision was made to table the discussion
- **Play Up Procedure**
 - **Action:** Coaches Reps to implement
 - **Action:** Draft a document explaining the procedure
 - Mold after the injured player rule... **Resolved:** Pete has this document and will make available
- **Coaches Reps**
 - Positions in place to handle any issues that arise regarding coaches/players/parents
 - Decided that there will be separate positions for girls and boys (1 each) unless 1 from each is not available
 - **Resolved:** Greg and Steve will handle the roles through the coaches interviews and tryouts after which time coaches will vote to elect new reps
- **Fund Raising**
 - **Action:** Need to establish a committee through recruitment... All board members to be active in selecting
 - Highlight the benefit's ie: maybe bring back the sibling discount
 - Potential fund raising events: 50/50 Raffle, Comedy Night, Poker Night, and Frisbee Golf Event
 - 50/50 raffle
 - 1. Start at the beginning of the season and do the drawing at mid-point
 - 2. Last year's raffle went too long
 - 3. Do we rely on the tickets being sold or add the ticket cost to the registration fee which would force players/parents to sell the tickets for re-imburement?
 - **Action:** Greg mentioned potential opportunity with sports memorabilia auctions which we could tie in to a comedy night
 - **Action:** Start selling food and beverage at home games
- **Facilities**
 - Gym costs are too high!
 - **Action:** Present the members to town administrators for their voices to be heard on issues
 - Are we connecting with the right person in town office to have realistic shot at lower costs? Greg feels he can make some headway on getting to the right person
 - **Action:** Pete has started the process for locking up gym times
 - We will be losing gym time due to the new High School
 - **Action:** Request to push back adult volleyball times to allow for our teams to have the entire gym for full 1.5 hours

- **Equipment**

- Some Basketballs are in tough shape and do we need to purchase new ones?
- **Action:** Pete will get current inventory
- **Action:** Look to purchase “Rock” ball versus Spaulding (less expensive and popular with the kids)
- **Action:** Do we go away from using Tri Valley and purchase directly from supplier?
- Everyone seems to be ok with current uniforms