

# OMGBA Board Meeting Minutes

## March 19th, 2007

Meeting Called to Order 7:02 PM

**New attendees:** Mark Cook (MG Girls Varsity Coach), Fifer Nicholson, Chris Sullivan

**Secretary Report:** Approved as written

**Traveling program update:** Steve reported that MG girls traveling season is complete and was a success.....The process of sending out the end of year surveys is in the works. We are attempting to coordinate the fall tryouts so as not to interfere with football. A warning has been issued to one coach for an issue regarding a gym times.

Tom suggested sending a separate questionnaire to the coaches to get their feedback. Tom also suggested sending a thank-you note to the coaches thanking them for their contributions to the program. Todd volunteered himself and Doug to sign the letters if someone else drafts it. Letters have been sent to the girls coaches indicating they should notify Jim Davidson of interest to coach next year. The boys traveling coordinators should do the same.

**Mark Cook** - Presented a thank-you note to the board for donating \$750. Mark shared their plans/desires to add additional coaching for 2008. Mark talked about how important the relationship with OMGBA is. Board members took the opportunity to ask a variety of questions of Mark. All the coaches from Osseo and Maple Grove are welcome to attend the board meetings anytime.

**Fifer Nicholson** – (Parent 5<sup>th</sup> grade girl)... Fifer addressed the board in regards to the problem associated with not having enough “A” players at the 5<sup>th</sup> grade level in Osseo. In summary, “A” players not being able to play with “A” players is very de-motivating. He warned that we may continue to lose players from the Osseo side. We continued the discussion about whether we should combine the players from Osseo and Maple Grove at various levels and numbers of people wanting to tryout.

**Gaming Update:** Started selling gaming tickets last Friday. The automated machine is in operation.

**Treasurer’s Report:** No report

**House leagues:** No update

**Jr. High house league update:** Everything went well... Lots of compliments. With the snow-out on Friday, people had lots of praise for the fitting it all in on Saturday.

**Sr. High house league update:** Surveys are going out....will have full report next month. Only a few minor incidents occurred during the y-end tournament. Something to consider..... How do we handle a snow day. We need a procedure/process for handling tournament flagrant fouls. (Will be handled by NW suburban league).

Tom suggested splitting the talent level so that we could have an "A" level and a "B" level. Will be addressed at NW Suburban league.

Across the board, we have completed another successful season. Everyone's effort and contributions are greatly appreciated. A lot of volunteer hours go into making this program what it is.

*1124 games were coordinated this year by this organization  
2000+ kids in the program  
31 traveling teams  
Plus 60 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teams.*

**Referee Update -** We used 45 referees to fill 2248 slots , 3 sprained knees, 1 blood clot , 1 heart attack and a variety of minor injuries. We need to form a rules committee to address any rule changes to meet this week. (Bob Hicks & Tom Anderson Volunteered) Will meet this Wednesday and report back at the April meeting.

**Uniform/Equipment Update:** Coordinators to get their balls collected. We need to make sure the medical supplies are provided at the y-end tournaments. Bob talked to Arlene about creating a program to supply extra uniforms and contribute to the building fund. She has been invited to make a proposal to the board.

**Concessions update:** None

**New Business:**

The proposal was made to address the compensation of the scheduling coordinator. There was a proposal to add \$500 for this position. Sue declined any additional compensation. She would rather have the money put back into the program.

We need to figure out fees for next year and discuss in the April/May meeting. We need to examine the costs for the year to help us make a good decision.

Todd talked about creating a proposed agenda for each month of the year. This would give us a plan for the recurring events that need to get done each year by a certain date.

Bob Drag is going to set up a visit to Ralia after the April board meeting. This is an excellent example of a sports facility in our back-yard that is serving primarily volleyball and soccer.

**Old Business:**

We proposed giving more to each of the high school programs. (We did not have enough people to vote on it) A motion will be put on the table at the April Board meeting.

It is time to look at 2007/2008 positions. The most current positions roster will be sent with the minutes. Communicate to me if you desire to change positions next year ASAP so we know where the openings are.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:15 PM

The following board members were not present: Charlotte Albu, Pat Bakker, Sue Barfknecht, Jim Davidson, Cori Davidson, Doug Erlie, Dale Nerison, Steve Sadler, Jeff Tyler, Cindy Vincent

**Next meeting April 16th 7:00 Community Center**

