

# OMGBA Board Meeting Minutes

## Date September 18, 2006

Meeting Called to Order - 7:00 PM

**New attendees:** Andrew Bersuheit – Interested in coaching 8<sup>th</sup> grade house league; Stephanie Fleming – observing; Mark Aarsdorf – Osseo Girls Varsity basketball coach; \_\_\_\_\_, Osseo Boys Varsity basketball coach; Jane DeGrootte – observing; Greg Lucas – observing; Mark Cook – Maple Grove Girls Varsity basketball coach

**Secretary Report:** No report – Scott Kaufman absent

**MN Timberwolves presentation – Matt Bear:** Discussed the Jr. Wolves / Jr. Lynx Basketball Program opportunities for basketball players in our community. Participate in games or clinics at the Target Center or co-sponsor local basketball clinics as fund raiser for the association. Raffle ticket booklets from MN T-wolves – sell 25 raffle tickets (\$10 to Association, \$14 to the kids in the form of a ticket, \$1 to T-wolves). Another opportunity would be to sell programs at the professional game as a fundraiser.

**Treasurer's Report:** No report

**Traveling program update:** 30 Traveling teams have been approved for the upcoming season. All coaches have been identified and all tournament schedules have been established. All but two evaluators have been identified for the upcoming traveling basketball tryouts.

Sue Barfnecht will be coordinating the distribution of flyers into the 9/20/06 to communicate our basketball program opportunities to the Osseo / Brooklyn Park children.

**Sr High house league update:** No report

**Jr. High house league update:** First Northwest Suburban League meeting is scheduled for October 8<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for a volunteer to coordinate this league.

**Elementary house league update:**

10 - 4<sup>th</sup> grade girls teams, 8 - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade girls teams, 12 - 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade boys teams  
32 - 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teams formed and a waiting list has been formed

**Issues:** How to communicate our Fall schedule better since we are not allowed to send information in the first Wednesday school envelopes. Parent complaints – Park-n-Rec flyer not received in Osseo, families did not have computers, and families did not subscribe to the Osseo / Maple Grove Press. *We need to consider possibly pushing out the start one week to facilitate utilizing school communications to get to everyone.*

*Consideration to be given to having Friday evening games as a catch-up for the missed weekend due to the delay.*

Issues: For those that do not have a computer, Kris Jackson has been taking the information over the phone. We should be following up with a mailing to them to obtain signature for insurance purposes.

**Uniform/equipment Update:** Everything is ready and on time – Joe Butorac

**Scheduling update:** Sue Drag – Have an issue with obtaining Osseo Sr. High on Saturday of the OMGBA Boys Basketball tournament due to scheduling conflict. Gym space limitations may result in us turning back teams that have registered. Group still working to resolve scheduling conflict or secure additional gym space to accommodate the desire to play in our tournament. Discussion resulted in request to consider Park Center High School and then Northview Junior High School as alternatives.

**Concessions update:** Things are progressing well .... Considering adding “dippin dots” to the offering this upcoming year.

**Varsity Basketball Coaches:** Osseo and Maple Grove coaches plan to attend Board meetings going forward to stay in touch and be a resource for the OMGBA going forward. Also, there is an interest in generating interest in the OMGBA participants to attend varsity basketball games throughout the year.

Kurt Maus staff was hired to “run” the Champlin Park traveling tryouts this year (\$600 / three nights). His staff is not evaluating or picking the teams. They are interested in us considering they do the same for the OMGBA tryouts.

Both programs are interested in having more OMGBA jersey nights to increase attendance and interest in the programs.

**Gambling Update:** We are held up currently to obtain our licensing from the State. Estimate an additional 5 weeks to obtain license. Two employees hired, two additional employees needed. Pay rate is \$6.75/hour. The Tavern in the Grove is anxiously waiting for pull tabs to return as the result of the hockey association leaving their establishment.

An important step in making this relationship successful is for OMGBA to identify methods of promoting The Tavern in the Grove to our membership base. The Tavern is also willing to offer discounts to teams dining there during our November Traveling Basketball tournaments.

Motion to approve expenditures related to the \$6,000 loan from the August 2006 meeting. Details were distributed in hard-copy to attendees (see hand-out). **Approved**

**Old Business:** Web hosts research discussion to be included in the next meeting.

**New Business:** By-Laws Questions

Open Enrollment – By-Law 8.1.1 is worded to allow it if a “resident” participant is not displaced for our “House” League. We are a community organization and do not allow someone from outside the Osseo / Maple Grove attendance area (District 279) to participate in our programs. Discussion to consider establishing a date for each registration after which “non residents” will be allowed to participate. Further discussion at next meeting anticipated.

**Meeting adjourned:** 9:40pm

Next meeting – Monday, October 16<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 Community Center

Members not in attendance: Collin Becker, Jeff Clement, Georgette Johnson, Scott Kaufman, Pam LaVenture, David Mauch, Dale Nerison, and Mark Saari

