

OMGBA Board Meeting Minutes

October 15th 2007

Meeting Called to Order: 7:06 PM

Missing Board Members: Charlotte Albu, Tom Anderson, Jodi Bland, Cori Davison, Doug Erlie, Steve Jacobs, Gary LaPalme, Kathy McLaughlin, Rachel Olson, Doug Tigner, Jeff Tyler, Mitch Ringe, Mike Winter, Juan Rivas.

New attendees: Greg Morton, Pam Hoekstra, Kenneth Culotta, Julie Hamilton

Greg Morton asked the board for consideration in providing his daughter with a waiver. Last month the board decided not to offer any waivers. There was no change in the position of the board.

Mark Arzyjose (Osseo High School Girls Coach) was present and raised some concerns about our previous minutes which indicated some discussion about numbers needed to form a traveling team. Mark's biggest concern was to make sure we keep as many kids playing basketball as possible. He did not want to turn any Osseo kids away from playing basketball.

Kenneth Culotta shared a fund raising idea that the Tae-kwon-doe team uses to raise money for the organization.

Secretary Report: [Approved as written.](#)

Treasurer's Report: No report

Gaming Update: Sue Drag reported that we are busy at Sundance. We have 3 pull tab machines. Bella Sera's is not selling many pull tabs. An additional scanner is needed at Sundance. **Motion:** [For Sue Drag to approach Bella Sera's to move Pull tabs into the bar, If they don't agree to move it, Sue is authorized to close down the operation. If they move the Pull tab into the bar, the board authorizes Sue to purchase an additional scanner for Sundance. **Approved.**](#)

Boys traveling Tournament: Still openings for Site Supervisor. Need board members to volunteer.

Girls traveling Tournament: Still openings for Site Supervisor. Need board members to volunteer.

It was suggested that Boys coaches not supervise during the Boys tournament and Likewise for the girls tournaments for the Girls coaches...

Motion to authorize Tami to purchase 10 site supervisor vests for site supervisor during our traveling tournaments. **Approved**

Jim Davison shared the numbers of kids at each of the tryouts for the traveling. Jim also shared how well the process worked and that an independent Board member was at each of the tryouts.

Equipment update: Uniforms should be in this week. Additional coaches shirts should be ordered.

3rd/4th Update - Everything is going fine.

Jr High Update - Coaches in place... Need 2 more boys coaches for 7th grade. 10 boys teams are planned and 3 girls teams for 7th & 8th grade.

Sr High Update - Everything is in place.

Referee Update - Everything is going fine. More referee's have been added.

Scheduling Update – Due to some re-scheduling, there are a number of adjustments from the original schedules that were published.

Registration - Still missing a few traveling registration forms.... Please get them in to Kris Jackson. We need a better way to accept and track scholarship requests for next year. We also need to update the manual registration form.

Awards - 1-4 have been ordered. Traveling tournaments have been ordered. Pictures are scheduled. We want to ask y-end survey question for next year.

Website – Numerous traveling teams have requested web-site pages.

Insurance – Everything is in place for this season

Todd read a letter from OMGAA Storm Special Olympics teams. They thanked the OMGBA board for their support.

Bylaws Update: Section 8.0 was discussed.

- We had a discussion about when people are residents. We discussed various options. Residency will be determined as of at the close of registration.

After reviewing and discussing section 8.0 at the last several board meetings, the board voted to make the following changes to this section of the by-laws to better clarify and reflect existing policy.

8.0 PLAYER PARTICIPATION

8.1 OMGBA is a program largely for “Resident players”.

8.1.1 A “Resident player” is defined as any player who has a parent or legal guardian that resides in the Osseo or Maple Grove High School attendance area boundaries as of the published date for the close of registration.

8.1.2 A “Non-resident player” is defined as any player who does not have a parent or legal guardian that resides in the Osseo or Maple

Grove High School attendance area boundaries as of the published date for the close of registration. This would include players that attend private schools or open enroll within the boundaries of Osseo or Maple Grove High School but do not live in those boundaries.

8.2 You must be a “Resident player” to participate in the OMGBA Elementary House League programs and the OMGBA Junior House League programs.

8.2.1 Exceptions will be made for “Non-resident” players, requesting admission, only if their participation will not prevent a “Resident” player from being placed upon a team. Any “Non-resident” will be removed from the program if it is determined their presence prevented a “Resident” player from registering. Appropriate action will be taken with the “Resident” player, after the “Non-resident” has been removed. A full refund of the registration fee will be given to the “Non-resident” players impacted by this paragraph.

8.3 You must be a “Resident player” to participate in the OMGBA Traveling Program. No exceptions will be granted.

8.4 The Senior House League accepts “Resident players” and “Non-resident players” who attend Osseo or Maple Grove High School.

8.5 An Independent team is defined as a Non-OMGBA Traveling Team consisting entirely of “Resident players” who made a good faith effort in trying out for OMGBA Traveling and who did not get selected. A “Renegade Team” is a Non-OMGBA Traveling Team with “Non-resident players”, or “Resident players” who did not try out for traveling or did not try out in good faith, or who made an OMGBA Traveling Team but opted not to play for OMGBA. OMGBA will recognize Independent Teams to play in traveling Tournaments but they must also play in OMGBA House League. OMGBA will not recognize “Renegade Teams” nor individual players.

8.6 A player will play at the grade level in which they are currently enrolled. No player will be allowed to “play-up” or “play-down” in OMGBA programs.

8.7 Players may participate within the House League or the Traveling League, but not both in the same season.

8.8 OMGBA does not accept community waivers for player participation.

8.9 Requests for exceptions with background and justification should be directed via email to the appropriate Program Commissioner for a decision. Appeals should go to the Executive Board.

- **Motion** to change the by laws as discussed in previous meetings and as outlined above. **Approved.**

New Business:

OMGBA will continue to advertise in the 4 varsity programs.

Motion: Donate \$750 to both the Osseo Girls & Boys booster program. (Last month the same amount of money was given to Maple Grove programs in the form of updating scoreboards/controller). **Approved**

Next meeting: November 19th - 7:00 Community Center

- Adjourn

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