

OMGBA Board Meeting Minutes

May 19th, 2008

Meeting Called to Order: 7:05 PM

Missing Board Members: Sara Aasgaard, Charlotte Albu, Cori Davison, Sue Barfknecht, Doug Erlie, Kris Jackson, David Mauch, Mitch Ringe, Juan Rivas, David Schock, Doug Tigner, Jeff Tyler.

Visitors: Darrell Olson, Adam Holm (Osseo Activities director), Renea Hicks

Adam shared the school district plans for reducing costs. Specifically the fact that 7th and 8th grade sports programs in the following sports; Football, boys & girls Basketball, Volleyball and Slow Pitch Softball will be eliminated in the fall. Discussions centered around how this might impact our traveling program. There will be no attempt to pull younger basketball players into the varsity program.

We had another board discussion about the possibility of combining the traveling teams from Osseo and Maple Grove into 1 community team. (see notes below regarding surveys from traveling parents).

Motion: to keep the Osseo / Maple grove teams organized separately by high school attendance area for the 2008/09 season. **Motion approved.**

Secretary's report: April minutes were approved as written.

Department updates:

Gaming Update: Sue provided the gambling update to be kept in our records. Sue provided documentation of \$157 for Sue's expense. Taxes for 2007 are complete and accurate. Sue is looking for someone to assist in the gambling operations. Gambling Manager is a position we need to look to fill prior to October.

Motion: to Pay Sue \$157 for the documented expenses related to the gaming operation. **Motion approved.**

Traveling Basketball update:

- 2007 Traveling Basketball Surveys received
 - 186 of 300 responded ... consistent with previous year's rate
 - Overall average ratings consistent with historical rates
 - A listing of 20 interested volunteers was obtained
 - Preferred # of players per traveling team question
 - A-team level – 65% favored 10 per team
 - B-team level – 78% favored 10 per team
 - C-team level – 82% favored 10 per team

- Little or no variation in results by gender
 - Association-wide teams question
 - Overall, 53% of respondents are opposed (Boys 57% / Girls 46%)
 - 61% oppose at the A-team level
 - 57% favor it at the B-team level, 67% favor it at the C-team level
 - 63% of Osseo respondents oppose it (Boys 68% / Girls 57%)
 - Maple Grove respondents split 50/50 (Boys 58% oppose, Girls 58% favor)
 - Most written comments from respondents opposed to assoc-wide teams
- Weeks of May 5th and May 12th
 - Interview committee of Dave Lutz, Dave Schock, Gary LaPalme, Jim Davison, and Jodi Bland conducted 27 coaching interviews over 4 evenings at the MGCC.
 - Special thanks to Bob Drag and Bob Hicks for assisting during one evening of the interviews.
 - Coaching selections are anticipated in the month of May.
 - Anticipating 30 traveling teams again in 2008/09.
- Traveling Basketball Committee has pre-selected a handful of tournaments for our traveling teams for this upcoming season. Currently, attempting to contact all of them to ensure availability for our teams.
 - 5 boys tournaments and 6 girls tournaments
 - Attempting to play our teams in tournaments that support our traveling tournaments
 - Attempting to play in well-run, competitive appropriate tournaments
 - Reduce the burden on traveling coordinators in arranging tournaments

More information will be available to coaches during tournament selection meetings in late May or early June.

Motion: Move 6th grade Boys & Girls from the OMGBA house program into the NW suburban league. **Defeated**

This will be re-visited in March of 2009.

Motion: To invite our existing 6th grade teams to participate (if they desire) in the MapleGrove Jr High and Brooklyn Jr High tournaments. **Motion Passed**

We currently have 10 house boys team. Our 5th & 6th grade girls are combined.

Julie presented some upgrades to our OMGBA logo's. Stationary, etc....

Motion: To accept the new logo as Julie presented. **Motion Passed**

Discussion If the Maple Grove facility allows us to store a shooting machine, would we be interested in purchasing a shooting machine to be used at the Maple Grove Junior high for all our teams.

Discussion on what registration fees need to be for 2008/2009. Todd passed out an analysis of fees for next year.

Motion: To accept the proposed registration fees. **Motion Passed**

3-6th house +\$10

7-8th house +15

9-12th house + 10

7-8th Traveling -\$5 (Because house went up extra \$5 for all star shirts)

Motion: To add shorts to be provided for the 7th & 8th grade boys & girls house. The registration will go up \$15 if we can find acceptable shorts to be purchased for not more than \$15. **Motion Passed**

Old Business:

We still need someone to volunteer to coordinate the concessions for our tournaments.

We are still looking for someone to assist with the gaming operation.

We still have some open positions on the board.

Adjourn: 9:45pm

Next meeting: June 16th - 7:00 PM Sundance (informal discussions begin at 6:30)

