

OMGBA Board Meeting Minutes

January 18, 2010

Meeting Called to Order : 7:03pm

Missing Board Members: Sara Aasgaard, Charlotte Albu, Eddie Drag, Tami Eckber, Doug Erlie, Ron Jones, Mitch Ringe, Susan Schmidt, Ed Wicker, Kris Wilner

Visitors: Peter Diensleke, Steve Audette, Julie Audette, Greg Ault, Kevin Berg, Todd Treml, Michael Haus, Eric Kittleson, Wade Quale, Paul Kepler

Secretary's report:

Motion to approve December's minutes. **MOTION APPROVED**

Gaming Update (Sue Drag):

Pulltab booth at Broadway Pizza lost money for the year. Plan to go back to the owner of Broadway Pizza to discuss options. Some possible options brought up were to reduce hours the booth is staffed or use pull tab machines instead of a staffed booth.

Sun Dance uses pull tab machines and they made money for the year.

Motion was made to approve expenses of \$162.58 for Month of December. **MOTION APPROVED.**

Financials are provided to the executive board each month electronically. If you have specific questions or need more information about the financials, feel free to contact any of the executive board members.

NEW BUSINESS:

Change in Board Positions (Todd Leyse)

There are a number of positions opening up as individuals are retiring from the board:

- Jeff Tyler officially retired on January 1st. Bill Hutchinson indicated he would take over the **Boys tournament director** position.
- The **Gaming Manager** position will be open as of April 1st. Sue Drag announced she is retiring from the board. The person taking over the Gaming Manager position needs to be on the board for a minimum of 6 months.
- The **Gaming Manager Assistant** position will be open as of April 1st. Current gaming manager assistant Charlotte Albu told Sue Drag that she is retiring.
- The **3rd & 4th Grade Girls Coordinator** position will be open as of June 1st. Sara Aasgaard is retiring from the board June 1.
- The **3rd Grade Boys Coordinator** position will be open as of April 1st. Kris Wilner is leaving the position.

OLD BUSINESS:

Open Enrollment (Todd Leyse)

Todd gave a history and summary of past board meeting discussions regarding open enrollment.

A copy of the proposed By-Law change was made available to all visitors and Jim Davison read the proposed change. Jim also explained the MYAS rules and that some of our neighboring youth basketball organizations are allowing open enrollment.

A discussion was held regarding the Open Enrollment By-Law change. Below are some points that were brought up:

- All open enrolled players must have played a year of house league basketball prior to playing traveling basketball.
- Open enrolled players are not eligible for scholarships.
- Non-residents going to private schools in Maple Grove would not be eligible to open enroll because their schools don't provide gym time like public schools. Private schools also have their own basketball program and the public schools do not.
- An email that was received by Jodi Bland was read to everyone in attendance. The email was from a Maple Grove resident that is a parent of 4 boys playing traveling basketball through OMGBA. The email was against proposal, indicating that the proposal allows persons outside our district to take our children's spots.
- Players that are residents outside Maple Grove/Osseo could be playing basketball with their city organization. Maple Grove residents don't have a second option.
- Open enrollment may bring more players to the program and possibly help fill out teams that could not be formed because of the lack of players. The problem with this is OMGBA already has difficulty with having sufficient gym time during January and February. Currently, OMGBA has 30 traveling teams and can realistically support 32 teams. OMGBA is renting gym space at community center in February 2010.
 - A visitor asked if the OMGBA ever contacts private schools or churches to rent gym time. The board indicated that both Heritage and St Vincent had been contacted in the past and both declined.
- Start with 5th grade traveling only this year and then 5th and 6th next year, and so on (Grandfather Open Enrollment).
- Only allow non-residents (open enrolled) to play on a traveling team if there is a lack of players in a certain level/gender. This way a non-resident will not displace a resident player.
- To approximate the number of possible players open enrolling, a figure was used from two years ago of 3.7 % of school attendees were open enrolled. If 3.7% of traveling players at tryouts were open enrolled, that would equate with approximately 12 players amongst the 16 grade/genders.
- The MSHSL states that a varsity player must sit out one year prior to playing with the high school he is open enrolling.
- Rather than have open enrollment to fill out teams, allow teams to have less than 10 players per team.
- It was brought up that Edinbrook needs to be added to the By-Law change proposal.

A motion was made to approve the by-law change that allows for non-resident participation in the OMGBA traveling basketball program if the non-resident player participated in the OMGBA house league the prior year, or if they previously registered for OMGBA traveling program but were denied eligibility in the 2009-10 season due to the previous OMGBA residency requirements. **MOTION APPROVED (not unanimous)**

Combining Osseo & Maple Grove teams in the traveling program (Jim Davison)

In preparation for the next board meeting a document needs to be put together for visitors to review that answers many of the questions related to the combined team issue. The board has discussed many of the issues in previous board meetings and time should not be used to discuss everything again.

Also, the OMGBA website will be updated by Monday, January 25th with information regarding combining the traveling teams as well as an email sent to current OMGBA participants alerting them of the upcoming board meeting agenda.

- Inquiry was made of why the issue of combining teams has been brought up again since during the May 2009 board meeting the board voted almost unanimously not to combine. At the time the board approved a motion to leave the by-laws unchanged regarding the team selection of combined teams, and the combined traveling team jersey would be determined by the make-up of the team. If a team is slated for a particular HS and less than 5 are from that high school, the other schools jersey will be worn.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Elementary Commissioner (Cori Davison)

- 1st-2nd grade winter program's 240 spots were filled in 5 hours leaving 30 kids on a wait list. There were 4 teams added to the winter program and game times have been extended to 6pm to accommodate the 30 kids.
- Comments regarding officiating were not much different than previous years. Most of the comments were positive.
- 3rd – 4th grade programs went well and are finished.
- 5th – 6th grade program is beginning.

Donation to High School Booster club

- Todd Leyse will present the check for Maple Grove boys basketball booster club at the January 29th varsity game.
- Julie Hamilton will present the check to the Osseo girls basketball booster club on January 22nd varsity game.
- The date for the presentation of the check for the Osseo boys basketball team booster club has not been determined.
- A note from the 2009-10 Maple Grove girls high school basketball team was read donation showing their appreciation for the OMGBA donation to their booster club.

Junior High house (Russ Niko)

- Information for the Junior High house league's Presidents Weekend Tournament this year will be sent out in the next two weeks.

- The cut off date for registration is January 30th
- Sue Drag asked to have all the game times and location sent to her as soon as possible so she can officials can be scheduled.

Senior High House (Chris Sullivan)

- Season began 2 weeks ago and is going well.
- 31 OMGBA teams participating.
- Request for Julie to get t-shirts for In-Season tournament in March.

Travel coordinator (Dave Lutz)

- Reminded everyone to get their rosters in for the state tournament. The deadline is coming up.

Gym Scheduler (Cori Davison)

A point was made regarding the increasing number of 3rd 4th grade spring teams being formed to play MYAS basketball.

- Last year, 2009 spring season, there was between 8 and 11 3rd & 4th grade MYAS teams.
- This year, 2010 spring season, there have already been a request by 13 3rd & 4th grade teams.

Referee coordinator (Sue Drag)

In response to comments made in the last board meeting (December) Sue made a statement about who was officiating the 3rd & 4th grade playoffs this year. She stated that during the season she matches veteran official with a less seasoned officials, but during the playoffs she only schedules the veteran officials to work the games.

Adjourn: 9:05pm

Next Meeting: February 15, 2010 @ Maple Grove Community Center

OMGBA BOARD POSITIONS

Listed below are the Board positions for the 2009/10 season. Highlighted in yellow are Open positions or positions that will be opening soon.

OMGBA Position Roster

Position	2009 - 10
Gym Scheduler Manager	Cori Davison
Web Site Manager	Julie Scheidler (FOB)
Uniforms/Equip Manager	Tami Eckberg
Referee Coordinator	Sue Drag
Referee Scheduler	Eddie Drag
Player /Member Recog Mng	Julie Hamilton
Traveling Commissioner	Jim Davison
MG Boys Traveling Coordinator	Dave Lutz
MG Girls Traveling Coordinator	Karen Lee (FOB)
Osseo Boys Traveling Coordinator	Dave Lutz
Osseo Girls Traveling Coordinator	Teresa Swanson (FOB)
Elementary Commissioner	Cori Davison
1st and 2nd Grade Coordinator	Carla Bredensteiner
3rd Grade Girls Coordinator	Sara Aasgaard
3rd Grade Boys Coordinator	Kris Wilner
4th Grade Girls Coordinator	Sara Aasgaard
4th Grade Boys Coordinator	Charlie Horton
5th/6th Grade Girls Coordinator	Shawn Tharp
5th Grade Boys Coordinator	David Schock
6th Grade Boys Coordinator	Hugh Wells (FOB)
Jr. High Commissioner	Russ Nikko
7th Grade Boys Coordinator	Josh Halgrimson (FOB)
7th Grade Girls Coordinator	Josh Halgrimson (FOB)
8th Grade Boys Coordinator	Josh Halgrimson (FOB)
8th Grade Girls Coordinator	Josh Halgrimson (FOB)
Senior League Commissioner	Chris Sullivan
9/10th Grade Boys Coordinator	Chris Sullivan
11/12th Grade Boys Coordinator	Ed Wicker
9th-12th Grade Girls Coordinator	Cory Binstock
Concession Manager 1	Susan Schmidt
Concession Manager 2	Dan Schmidt
Fall Traveling Boys Tournament Director	Bill Hutchinson
Fall Traveling Girls Tournament Director	David Schock
Special Olympics Commissioner	Mitch Ringe
President	Todd Leyse
Past President	Doug Erlien
Vice President	Jodi Bland
Records Director	Susan Schmidt
Treasurer	Gary LaPalme
Information Director	Chuck Barta
Insurance Manager	John Baumiller (FOB)
Gaming Manager	Sue Drag
Gaming Manager Asst	Charlotte Albu
Administration Position	Cori Davison
Board member without position	Ron Jones

*Leaving the position June 1st

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*Will become past president

*Leaving the position April 1st

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