

# Minnetonka Girls Basketball Association

## Board Meeting Notes

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**Voting Members in Attendance:** Rich Baker, Lisa Ehlers, Leah Dasovich, Lisa Martinson, Beth Hallett, Lisa Simmons, Jim Willems, Wendy Woods, Pam Jensen, Brad Hamilton, Scott Fransen, Dave Endy, Laural Johnson, and Wendy Melz

**Non-Voting Members in Attendance:** Dave Shoemaker, Katy Vaala, and Kerri Hexum

### **Call to Order and Introduction of Attendees:**

The meeting called to order at 6:33 pm at the Minnetonka District Service Center.

### **Secretary Report:**

The minutes from the October meeting were reviewed. In reference to something in the minutes about who took care of the varsity posters, Pam Jensen reported that it was her. A motion was made by Dave Endy and seconded by Beth Hallett to approve them. The minutes were approved and will be posted in final form.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Dave Endy reported on the following:

We are 2-3 months into the fiscal year and a little "clean-up" needs to be done to the financial statement and will be presented at the next meeting.

- What we predicted for registrations put us very close to our budget.
- We've collected tournament registration fees and are ahead of budget. We're still waiting on payment from a couple of teams; hopefully these will come in by Friday.
- The uniforms have been paid for; the payment was as predicted.
- We currently have approximately \$66,000 in checking and \$15,750 in a CD. As we make payments for varsity assistant coaches and the tournament expenses, the money will dwindle.

- We got the 501 3c letter back from the IRS. We need to gather information to send it into the state in order to get our “number”. The hope is to get this done prior to the tournament.

A motion was made by Pam Jensen and seconded by Lisa Simmons to approve the Treasurer’s Report. The Treasurer’s Report was approved.

## High School Report

- Varsity picture dates are set. The poster pictures will be taken November 17<sup>th</sup>. They are hoping for a quick turnaround. Pam Jensen is responsible for the posters.
- There are fifteen 9<sup>th</sup> graders trying out beginning the 15<sup>th</sup>. Next year’s numbers are expected to be similar considering there is only one team at the 8<sup>th</sup> grade level. Tryouts for grade 10 and above begin next week.
- The Holiday Giving program is around the corner. Leah believes that this program is good for them to participate in. A “heads-up” email will be sent to team parents and coaches. Once we get families assigned, Leah will sent them out to teams.
- Joanna Hedstrom, grade 12, will be signing her Letter of Intent to play at the University of MN next Wednesday. This information will also be placed on the website. Congrats to Joanna!
- Teams will have high school mentors under the “Adopt a Team” format again this year. More on this will come out once teams are formed—hopefully before the tournament. Heather Anderson, varsity assistant, will take this project on and she will need a list of the team coaches.
- The HS girls will be responsible for time keeping at the Holiday tournament. Rich Hirstein will put together a schedule for the girls. There is a varsity/jv game on Saturday, so the 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> grade girls will cover those late after afternoon/evening shifts.
- T-shirts for throwing out at games will be ready for pick-up by Friday.
- Half-time: The high school danceline will perform at 2 games. We are also continuing to look into a schedule of having youth teams play against each other.
- The MSHSL has clamped down on pregame honors. There isn’t supposed to be anything planned before games; therefore, how to honor Parent Night, Teacher Appreciation, etc. needs to be reviewed.

## Marketing Report

- **Youth Night**—A contract has been signed to have Crunch at halftime of Youth Night. The Pier/Cafeteria has been reserved for the after-party.
- **Advertising**—Kerri Hexum reported that some sponsors have changed from program sponsors to web sponsors. We may need to look at filling space in the program. Scott Fransen and Kerri will send a report to Dave for billing purposes.

## Travel Program Updates

- A player pass will be distributed to each girl in the traveling program to enter varsity home games for free. The ticket booth will punch each date. If the pass is lost or not available, the girl will need to pay to enter. Additional rules will be given to team managers to share with families. According to Ted Schultz, this is a pilot program. We are hopeful that it works well.

- Coaches need to continue to review their gym permits to make sure they are for the correct dates and times.
- The uniforms have been distributed and look great. There is wonder as to what to do with the old uniforms. Some calls will be made to organizations to see if they want them, and ultimately they will be donated.
- There was about \$11,000 in accessories sold this year. We received a rebate check of \$1,070 that went back to MGBA.
- Team practices are underway. There continues to be some gym issues.
- A coaches meeting was held at the Chanhassen Rec Center. Drills and skills were reviewed. Most teams played in their first tournament of the year last weekend. Rich Hirstein was able to see many teams play in EP.
- Team Pictures—Pictures were taken on Monday. Kerri Hexum reported that Kemmettmueller will take “poster” pictures for \$25 if teams would like to return to the studio. Contact the studio for further information.
- The Skills Sessions are 2/3 done. The last one will take place next week. Rich Baker is currently collecting feedback informally. A formal evaluation will take place at the end of the year.
- Lisa Martinson reported that the Rochester tournament looks to be a pretty big tournament. She, and others on the board, continue to receive calls and emails from tournaments looking for teams to play for them.

### 2012 Holiday Classic Tournament:

Jim Willems presented information on the following:

- There are currently 101 teams registered for the tournament. There may be a possibility of a couple of teams added to fill out the 4<sup>th</sup> grade bracket and 6B bracket. We are looking at a total of 175 games.
- It may be possible to hold games only at the high school on Friday night. The last game on Sunday will be held at either 3 or 4:10. A finalized schedule may soon be available.
- Trophies (the snow globes) are ordered.
- Three vendors (Violet Victoria, Shirts on Sight, and Sports Authority) are available.
- Admission will be \$3 for adults/seniors/students on Friday night (5 and under are free) and \$5 for adults/seniors and \$3 for K-12 (5 and under are free) on Saturday and Sunday.
- We are currently looking into referees.
- There will be a trainer at the high school but not at the middle schools. Ice packs and first aid kits will be available there. We also need a procedure established for site supervisors in case of an emergency at the middle school locations.
- We need volunteers more than ever. A schedule will be put together with volunteers (and phone numbers) assigned. It is possible to have students, especially those working towards volunteer hours, help out as well.
- **Tournament Concessions**—Wendy Woods reported that they are moving ahead with providing concessions outside of the Booster Club. They’ve looked into prices/options at both Costco and Cub Foods and are trying to determine what makes sense for the first time pursuing this option. Milio’s will be providing sandwiches. They are investigating hand washing stations, refrigeration, locations, products, setting prices etc. There will be Caribou Coffee and Berry Blendz smoothies (there is a slight possibility of Orange Julious). They determined that they will not serve pizza this year—maybe next year once logistics are figured out. They estimate a profit of \$4,000.

**President's Notes:**

The school board has invited MGBA as well as all other sports to attend a follow-up meeting on November 15<sup>th</sup> to share information about the programs.

**Meeting Adjournment**

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm.

**The next MGBA meeting is scheduled for  
*Wednesday, November 28, 2012*  
From 6:30 – 8:30 pm @  
Minnetonka District Service Center, Community Room**