

**STMA Girls Basketball Club**

**Board Meeting Notes**

**September 6th, 2017 Minutes**

**Members Present**

President: Kathy Alexander

Vice President: Ryan Voigt

Secretary: Kerry Zezza

Treasurer: Jim Freeland

Board Member: Kent Hamre

Board Member: Jeff Bebo

Board Member: Vacant Seat

Tournament Director: Mike Johnshoy

High School Coach: Steph Lahr

High School Coach: Andy Cleveland

Committee Member: Vicki Dold

Committee Member: Bridget McShane

Committee Member: Laura Wiessinger

**Members Absent:**

High School Coach: Jen Weise

Committee Member: Tiffani Steinke

**Board Items:**

\*Are any parents interested in the board?

No new interest at this time. See if we can encourage parents of younger players to gain interest. Mike will contact parties to see if they are interested in any board positions.

**Travel Update:**

\*Nine tournaments plus state). Trying to get Farmington to be the 9th, if we do not hear back from them then the 9th tournament can be coaches’ choice.

\*We are currently at 45 teams registered for the STMA Shootout Classic.

\*First Tournament is in Maple Grove, early November. We need to get teams registered and paid for that ASAP.

\* We also need to register and pay for Chaska and look into Rochester deadlines.

Centennial and Armstrong are quick after these too.

\*Jim will register and pay for the first five tournaments including Rochester by October 5th once teams are confirmed.

\*Hotels are booked for Rochester; a block of rooms has been established for STMAGBB.

\*Is there a code for those that utilize the Free and Reduced Lunch Program to use to register? Players/families experiencing hardship do not need a code; they should contact Kent Hamre to request and not pay online. We then mark them as paid before tryouts.

\*Current Registrations Numbers are:

4th Grade: 5

5th Grade: 15

6th Grade: 14

7th Grade: 16

8th Grade: 8

Registration closed next Friday Sept 15th.

\*Practice Schedule Update: Mike Johnshoy is coordinating practice schedules. Kent Hamre is coordinating with Missy (Boys board member) to look at the calendar and nights that might need to be switched.

Pre Tryout Clinic: Will be held September 10th from 3-5. Kerry Zezza emailed Marie Moore about gym space and Kent Hamre is double-checking on this.

Parents Meeting will be held Thursday September 14th at 7 PM at Middle School West Cafeteria, as the auditorium was booked.

Tryouts will take place Sunday September 17th from 2-4 for 4th thru 6th grade and 4-6 PM for 7th and 8th grade. Middle School West Gyms have been reserved. Follow GBC members will be present to help: Vicki Dold, Kerry Zezza, Laura Wiessinger, Bridget McShane, and Mike Johnshoy.

Jim will print out registration & payment list.

Kerry will print A-J and K-Z signs and sign in sheets.

Hamre has secured six outside evaluators, coaches will run the drills.

Uniforms for 4th graders or new players: Ryan is bringing some extras and looking into smaller sizes from last years players.

Current travel gym fees run about $6,000 per season, no clear options to reduce this at this time.

**High School Update:**

Parents meeting will be held to go over expectation of Breakdown tournaments.

\*Equality of Volunteering

\*Continue to host Breakdown tournaments

\*Organization of teams

HS players determine who will place, organize and pay.

\*Other Options

Board members taking it over.

\*Profitability of Breakdown tournaments, are they worth it?

Fees charged

We are charged $35/hour for custodians

Flat fee of $1,100 per gym per day

Breakdown charges $250 fee

The board wants to ensure equality in effort at these tournaments as some parents are there all day long and having a hard time with the same volunteers being there while others do not.

If we are not able to get greater equality of participation in volunteering by players and parents, the board will have further discussion around whether we continue hosting/running all Breakdowns.

\*Options include- looking into having another program take them over.

\*Having the board member step up and run it.

\*Assign two travel teams to each Breakdown to help volunteer.

\*Other suggestions to be discussed by sub-committee.

Upcoming season’s special events will be discussed at the next months meeting.

**General Business:**

Taxes are done and paid along with MN attorney general annual report.

March and May MYAS tournaments are booking out now. Hamre has the information needed to determine if we are hosting them.

Ads Update: High School players will go out to request donations in October over MEA break.

We need signs to direct people to the correct entrance for tournaments at the high school. Bridget is looking into options.

**Next Meeting:** October 4th 2017, at 7PM at the Saint Michael Legion

Discuss possible adjustments to entry fees for STMA families at the STAM Shootout Classic in January.