

HOLLIS BROOKLINE YOUTH BASKETBALL MEETING

April 12, 2016

In attendance: David Leclerc, Ryan Kelley, Todd Anderson, Tim Stack, Stephanie Stack, Alexis Brooks, Chris Lazzari, Daragh Taylor, Cormac Cullen, Jennifer Razzaboni, Skip Maloney, Tori Thomas, Alicia Costa, Jen Coutu, Janet Lussier

Location: Brookline Fire Department Meeting Room

After meetings of the Brookline Basketball Club and the Hollis Recreation Committee, both towns agreed that merging the two basketball programs would be beneficial to increase participation in youth basketball in our community while providing the best basketball experience possible. As a result, people currently involved in basketball invited the community to come together to form a Board that would guide the merger of the two programs.

I. Board Formation

The goal of the meeting was to elect the Board. Board positions were discussed and the group decided to elect seven officers. The process for determining filling vacancies was based on volunteer interest. As a result, officer positions were voted as follows:

President	David Leclerc, Brookline
Director of Coaching	Ryan Kelley, Brookline
Treasurer	Jenn Razzaboni, Brookline
Secretary	Janet Lussier, Hollis
Travel Director	Tim Stack, Hollis
Recreation Director	Kristy Bauer-Trombley, Brookline
Instructional Director	Tori Thomas, Brookline

The group agreed that an even split of officers between Hollis and Brookline is not required. We are all participating to create a stronger program for our children in both communities.

Several coordinators & committees will also be required to meet the goals of the program. Though coordinators & committees will be determined at a future meeting, areas identified include the following:

Equipment	<open>	Fundraising	<open>
Gym Coordinator	David Leclerc	Insurance	<open>
Marketing / Publicity	Joe Kifer	Photography	<open>
Referees	<open>	Registration	<open>
Uniforms	<open>	Website	<open>

II. Structure

As we consider the structure of the basketball program, Stephanie Stack noted that Hollis Recreation is willing to have the newly formed parent run basketball program operate under the umbrella of Hollis Recreation. All decisions would be made by the basketball Board, however, the program could maintain insurance, priority gym time, and other recreation program benefits allotted to Hollis Recreation. The group agreed that more research is required to make an informed decision. Ryan will follow up with HUES and HPS to determine how gym

time is allocated in Hollis. Brookline already has been willing to give the youth basketball program priority at RMMS and CSDA. At the next meeting, we will develop a list of benefits and any potential liabilities of being a wholly independent program. We will ask Kyle Gillis to also provide any additional information.

III. Development of the Basketball Program

Everyone agrees that a lot of work is required to merge the two programs before the next season. A timeline for the merger will be created at the next meeting. It is noted that although an immediate merger of all programs is ideal, a gradual approach may be required. Jen Coutu will bring registration numbers for the Brookline program and Stephanie will provide the Hollis numbers. This information will help inform the evolution of the program over the next few seasons.

IV. Immediate Action Required

Jen Coutu will confirm any renewal dates for website domains, liability insurance and any additional renewals required. Tim Stack will attend the Manchester Suburban Basketball League meeting to request approval of the merger of the two programs. The next MSBL meeting will be the first Monday in May.

V. Next Meeting Agenda

The next Board meeting will be Tuesday, May 24th, at 6:30pm at the Hollis Public Library. The agenda will include the following:

- Name of the program
- Identifying administrative action required, (i.e., website renewals, insurance policy, EIN, bank account, registering with the State)
- Decide the structure of the program, (independent program or part of Hollis Recreation)
- Identify timelines and action required leading up to the next season as they relate to the merger of the programs
- Summer programs such as entering Club teams in summer leagues to informing parents of what options are out there
- Marketing campaign at schools before end of year