

BRAINERD BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

LOCATION: Brainerd YMCA

DATE: January 8th, 2026

TIME: 6am



MEETING AGENDA

Attendees: **Jess, Alex, Scott, Nick, Bryan, Charlie, Ellen, Justin, Troy, Seth, Nick Evanson, Matt**

- I. CALL TO ORDER @ 6:03am
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING motion by Scott / 2nd by Seth / passed
- IV. OPEN ISSUES
 - a. **June Meeting**
 - i. Team breakdown meeting
 - ii. Tryout process for players wanting consideration to move up
 - iii. Non-board, BBA contributor, free registration approval
 - iv. In-house / travel team registration bundle discount
 - v. Equipment tracking
- V. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. 3-4 Jamboree recap
 - i. 21 boys teams / 15 girls teams
 - ii. Lots of positive feedback
 1. Liked atmosphere with scrimmage vibes
 2. Separate boys / girls days if more teams sign up in future
 - b. PBC update
 - i. 88 girls teams / 141 boys teams
 - ii. Bracketing difficulties (some teams play 4 games)
 1. Free registration for 3-5 teams to help fill brackets / schedules?
 - a. Lots of teams wanting to move down
 - b. Ellen to email surrounding communities to help accommodate
 - iii. 3rd + 4th grade boys will be one day / 3rd + 4th girls will be two days
 - iv. Ellen will email site lead schedule to sign up
 - v. Jess to send out DIBS
 1. Email will go out soon
 - vi. No trainers this year
 - vii. Almost all teams are paid up
 - viii. Similar team numbers as last year

- c. BBA Night(s)
 - i. Girls = Tuesday, January 27th
 - ii. Boys = first week in February (February 5th)
 - 1. Half court shots for \$1 each
 - 2. Gatorades for makes
 - 3. Nick Evanson to coordinate / ask Jack about selling t-shirts
- d. Warrior Skills Lab
 - i. Trying to get kids in the gym more
 - ii. Piggy back on strength + conditioning clas?
 - iii. June + July...3-8th grade boys / 3-7th grade girls
 - iv. Reece (YMCA) to head?
 - v. Monday - Thursday
- e. Warrior Triple Threat
 - i. 130 signed up last year / 30 completed the shot club challenge
 - ii. Shooting / ball handling / volunteering or 6 skills lab or strength + conditioning
- f. Where to keep ball cage?
 - i. Need storage
 - ii. FMS or the high school?

VI. REPORTS

- a. Director – *Ellen Thomes*
- b. President – *Nick Otterson*
- c. Treasurer – *Darren Larson (Troy Nelson)*
- d. Secretary – *Matt Schmidt (Justin Heitkamp)*
- e. Equipment Coordinator - *George Washington*
- f. Golf Tournament Coordinator - *Derek Hendrickson*
- g. Marketing / Social Media Coordinator – *Justin Heitkamp*
- h. Team Stores Coordinator – *Justin Heitkamp*
- i. Tournament Director – *Ellen Thomes*
- j. 3rd + 4th Grade Coordinator – *Jessica Erickson*
- k. BBA Day / Nights / Homecoming Parade Coordinator – *Matt Schmidt*
- l. Discipline Coordinator – *Alex Kunesh*
- m. Coaching Committee – *Seth Sazama, George Washington, Bryan Foss*
- n. Recruitment Coordinator –
- o. Fundraising / Sponsorship Committee – *Justin Heitkamp, Seth Sazama, Nick Otterson*

VII. ADJOURNMENT @ 6:37am