

**Executive Committee Meeting Agenda**  
**Doubletree Hotel, Friday, January 2, 2015 @ 9:30 AM**

**I. Call to order- R. Stolski**

**II. Attendance:**

**Present:** Marc Bachman; Jim Dotseth; Dave Fritze; Beau LaBore; Paul Lemke; Dave Nelson; Dave Nigon; Gary Sloan; Ron Stolski; Will Wackman; & Jeff Weiland. **Absent:** Claud Allaire; Flint Motschenbacher; Jeff Ferguson; John Gross; Rick Sutton; Scott Tschimperle;

**III. Approve 9/17/14 minutes - minutes approved**

**IV. Additions/deletions to agenda**

**V. Reports**

**A. Financial Report (Dotseth) – 2014 Financial report was approved.**

- There were discussions about how to increase revenue and be more efficient in expenditures.
- The budget committee proposed to increase dues by \$10 for both head and assistant coaches (projected revenue of \$11,000); eliminate the printing of the Recruiting Fair book.....go paperless (\$1,500); drop advertising on Dave Shama on-line sports column (\$800); limit Camp Outreach to 10 camps with consideration given to 1<sup>st</sup> time applicant.....unless additional funding is received from the Vikings (\$3,000). Eliminate St. Paul Old Timers banquet table (\$240). Motion was approved unanimously.

**B. President's Project (Ferguson)**

**C. MSHSL update**

- Schedule Kevin Merkle for a session at the MFCA Clinic in March to review the new acclimatization policies, as well as summer and in-season practice schedule policies. Prefer a Q & A session.
- How does weight lifting session fit into the practice schedule?

**D. Ex. Director Report (Stolski)**

- Partnerships need to be a fit with the philosophy of the MFCA: Currently engaged in discussion with BSN Sports as a partner <http://www.bsnsports.com>. BSN Sports is interested in being more involved in the Midwest market.....uniforms, football equipment, weight room equipment.
- Also engaged in discussion with [www.northstarfootballnews.com](http://www.northstarfootballnews.com) and see if there is mutual benefit.
- Annually, Glazier proposes ways for mutual promotion of respective clinics.
- Lifetouch – partner with Lifetouch regarding a video message about the positive aspects of participating in football – youth, high school, college, etc.
- EJ Henderson, Vikings liaison for community involvement. Working for more efficient follow-up.

- Emphasize that current partners need to be supported to the extent that they can – they can drop at any time.
- Is Buffalo Wild Wings an partner option? Consensus is that their motto of, “Wings, Beer and Sports” is not problem?
- MFCA constitution – propose to have every Executive Committee member have a copy – Bachman will e-mail to everyone.
- The goal for 2015 is to increase membership.

#### **E. Mr. Football (Sutton)**

Nominations Due – October 30

Selection of Finalists – October 31

Selection of Mr. Football – November 14

Mr. Football Banquet – November 22

I would like to have some discussion about Conference nominees. I don't like the limit of 1 or 2 per conference. Would like to expand the number, but retain the “Conference stamp of Approval”. I would like to hear other people's feedback on the number of nominees. **Tabled to the May 4<sup>th</sup> meeting.**

#### **F. Scholarships (Wackman & Bakken)**

- 16 is a good number. Nominations are good

#### **G. All-Star Game (Fritze)**

- Two head coaches have been chosen – Brian Vossen, Lakeville North (South); Derrin Lamker, Osseo (North). Selection meeting will be the first weekend in February. Head coaches will participate. Hope to include coordinators also.
- Dave Fritze welcomes other suggestions for coaches.
- There was discussion about changing the number of players from 44 to 43, with the 43<sup>rd</sup> player being a kicker only. Some positions were 3 deep which doesn't work out well. The discussion resulted in no change, however, encouraged to have a kicker be included in the 44.
- Discussion on a December All-Star game. Progress is being made. Probably cost an additional \$12,000 to \$14,000. We would need a sponsor. Players would report on Wednesday following the Prep Bowl and the game would be on Saturday at the new indoor facility. Players would be housed at the Doubletree and practice at Minnetonka HS. Logistics need to be worked out. Goal would be fall of 2016.

#### **H. Hall of Fame (Tschimperle & Lemke)**

- Meeting this afternoon. Additional 6 or 8 nominations came in before the end of December. Will have a good number for the meeting.

#### **I. Awards Committee (Dotseth)**

- Motion to allow the Awards Committee to increase the Butch Nash award recipients to a number above 8 when the number of nominations warrant. Motion passed.

#### **J. Awards Banquet (Nelson)**

- Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>
- Conference Awards will need to be changed to District Awards

#### **K. Tackle Cancer (Nelson)**

- Goal of \$200,000 was surpassed by \$20,000. In the past three years the program has raised over ½ million dollars. 10 high schools and 3 colleges have yet to turn in receipts.
- Jon Bakken, Gary Sloan, Dave Fritze, and Beau LaBore were mentioned for their contribution in making the program a success.
- No cost to the MFCA....Vikings paid for mailing; posters were donated.
- Jan 14 is presentation night for the doctors. Every doctor has 2 minutes to present. This year it is hoped that all proposals will be funded to some extent.
- Swimming hockey and wrestling now also have a cancer initiative.
- 50% of high schools are participating
- It is important to get a leader in the school and give them support.
- Our involvement helps when presenting proposals to sponsors

#### L. Recruiting Fair (Ferguson)

- Monday, May 4, 2015 at the Doubletree.....6:00 PM
- Submit athlete info beginning in February.

#### M. MFC Clinic (Stolski)

- Working to add a Friday night headliner.
- Joe Ehrmann, NFL Alumnus, Author will present on Thursday
- More sessions on Saturday morning this year.
- Encourage attendance to the MFCA clinic
- Half of the vendor space has been sold.

#### N. NFF (Nigon)

- The MFCA is a \$2,000 scholarship sponsor
- Sunday, May 3rd banquet at the Hilton
- All football entities in MN football are in attendance
- <http://www.nffmn.org/>

#### O. Retired Coaches (Gross)

- Friday afternoon March 27<sup>th</sup> at the MFCA Clinic

#### P. Community Service (LaBore)

- Applications have diminished, but will have someone recognized.

#### Q. Concussion Awareness (Bachman)

- Have concussion info on the MFCA poster again this year.

#### R. Everything but X's & O's Clinic (Weiland)

- [http://www.mshsca.org/football/15\\_Everythingbut\\_brochure.pdf](http://www.mshsca.org/football/15_Everythingbut_brochure.pdf)
- Registrations are up.....Walk-ups will be accepted

#### VI. Old Business

##### A. Summer Football

##### B. 6A Playoff Proposal

#### VII. New Business

##### A. District Football/Conference Reps

##### B. Discuss date and location for fall conference reps meeting at May meeting.

**Next Executive Committee Meeting: May 4, 2015 @ 3:30 PM – Doubletree**