



MGBA Board Minutes

February 17, 2025

Minnetonka Girls Basketball Association

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Present:	Doug Espenson, Amanda Kieper, Andy Gilles, Lisa Diessner, Meg Montgomery, Matt Buehler, Brian Kirchoff, Josh Jansen, Brian Cosgriff	
Time	Agenda Item	
6:30 pm	Call to Order - Doug Espenson	
6:30 pm	Approval of January 27, 2025, Meeting Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Brian Kirchoff motioned to approve Minutes; Josh Jansen seconded. Motion passed unanimously.	
6:31 pm	Secretary Report - Lisa Diessner <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Molly, District scheduler, has high praise for our group and is happy we have been patient with her in her new role<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Was not bothered by our one-off requests from different coaches and TMs- Let's help her by streamlining it more next year, when possible	TO DO:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chris Hamdorf has announced his anticipated departure after years of great service to MGBA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - He can help bring the new member up to speed - May not need to have one person take on that role alone and instead cover it among us 	
6:33 pm	<p>Treasurer's Update - Andy Gilles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Where have we been over on the budget: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Income: down about \$6,000 this year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Snow Globe teams down - No fundraising this year - Uniforms are over budget about \$3,000 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Let's raise the price next time we do uniforms - In season skills was more than before - Made up on: Less paid coaches - We spent about \$15,000 more because we sent more teams to more tournaments - Down about \$25,000 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - \$160,000 annual income - \$185,000 expenses - Bump up individual registration fees - Bump up our tournament registration fees - We have two CDs that earn interest, and we don't want to cash out if we don't have to - Decision on 8-1 tournament refund <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Looked at early bird entry fee for 6th grade, and the difference is \$20 per player - Took in \$3,000 for that team 	<p>TO DO:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Andy Gilles: Send budget details to Amanda Kieper - Brainstorm: Should we do fundraising?

6:45 pm	<p>High School Report -Coach Brian Cosgriff</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Summer camps and training plans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - June 16 (skip 19th) and July 14 weeks (from Barry) - Tentative - Went to Moorhead and played really well but lost in OT. Played probably their best game of the year. - Huge game tomorrow night v Edina (if win, third seed in section with a home game) - Young team - JV and sophomore team have been steady - Could have cut at 9th grade and had Teas fill in as B coach - Disappointed with gym situation for camp - bumped to the junior highs unless we want to go to the afternoon <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - MME is better than MMW for camp - Likely there for breakfast club, as well that week - We need to get the captains back to assigning girls to the teams again next year 	TO DO:
7:00 pm	<p>24-25 Calendar Update - Brian Kirchoff, Matt Buehler, Amanda Kieper and Doug Espenson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coach feedback on tournaments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maybe we add this as a question on the parent survey, so the coaches don't have survey fatigue - Coaches' player evaluations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Head coaches vs all coaches - Long form vs short - Shorter seems better - rate overall abilities (1-5) 	<p>TO DO:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Amanda Kieper: Disseminate end-of-season survey

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Unknown whether the data will even be useful - Google forms - Get it out to coaches by end of week - Tryouts - an evaluation committee but still go to the executive committee to rubber stamp the team placement - Do different committees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Evaluation committee - AAU committee 	
7:37 pm	<p>Board Nominations and Discussion - Matt Buehler</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Need: Practice Scheduler, although let's try spreading this out instead of adding one person with this solo role <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Let's see how many new people are getting involved with the board - Need: Volunteer Coordinator - Poss: Uniforms/Apparel - Possible new roles - Nominations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Amy or AG Stern - Rebecca Pederson - Jeff or Sarah Likens - Cole Dixon - Alysa Gardino: daughter on 5C Blue 	
7:44 pm	<p>In-Season Training and Summer Training Plans - Amanda Kieper and Doug Espenson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ideas for summer 	TO DO:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Two summer camps already - Thomas Gorrilla talked with Coach Cos about additional skills sessions (like Johnny did last year) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Will come up with a proposal - Availability of gyms: follow up with Chris and Molly <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Check through spring (free to MGBA players) - Go through coaches - Ideas for next season: let's discuss at a later meeting 	
7:50 pm	<p>Snow Globe Tournament - Amanda Kieper</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Purchasing Snow Globe photos - we could pay \$200-300 for all the images from professional photographer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Andy Gilles said that cost is justifiable - Andy and Jill Vinge will connect 	<p>TO DO:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Andy Gilles and Jill Vinge: Connect to finalize purchase of professional photos
7:57 pm	<p>Marketing/Events Update - Meg Montgomery and Josh Jansen</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Thank you to the Timberwolves for the red carpet treatment, especially opening things up for the older grades - how to do that? - Great feedback from Timberwolves experience <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maybe can do it as single teams if the whole group doesn't want to do it again next season already - Gophers offering to have girls play on the court for the first time - Lynx has an option for our group, too 	<p>TO DO:</p>

	- Youth/Pack-the-House Night going forward: cookies or nothing (no post-game pizza)	
8:00 pm	Adjourn	

Next Meeting: March 19, 2025, at 6:30 pm in MHS Cafeteria