

ACYBA Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Sunday 01/13/2019

Location: Bloom's home

Start Time: 8:00p

Board Members Present:

President - Mike Skram
Girls Travel Comm. - Dave Everson
Boys Travel Comm. - James Redelsheimer
Girls House Comm. - Mike Frie
Boys House Comm. - Steph Schmolze
Treasurer - Bryan Kuempel
Girls Travel Registrar - Angie Fondow
Boys Travel Registrar - Rafe Ronning
Girls Equipment - Michele Bloom
Boys Equipment - Dan Priem
House Scheduling - John Crawford
Boys Tournament Director OPEN (Skram...with help)
Website Coordinator - Shawn Fondow
Marketing Coordinator – Joleen Synstelien
Travel Scheduling - Tim Brower

Members Not Present

Girls Tournament Dir – Dante Rabb

Also Present

Potential Board Member: Kpormah Rennie

MEETING MINUTES

- President Report (Skram)
 - No giant issues presented (see house discussions below)
 - Board Replacement Updates - Spots for Next Season (2019-2020):
 - House Commissioner
 - Boys Travel Registrar
 - Following 2020-2021:
 - Travel Scheduler
 - Boys Equipment
 - Girls Equipment
 - Boys Travel Commissioner

- Treasurer Report (Bryan)
 - Generally good, a little higher than years past (up \$5k or so)
 - \$\$ will come in for boys tournament; then will start to go down as expenses come due
 - Fundraising / Large Expense Update:
 - ASLIS – spent about \$1400 at this time (about 8 wks of practice and 1 tourney)
 - ballpark about \$5,000 expense overall for season

- \$2,000 ASLIS donation & reduction of hourly fee
- Also approx. \$2,000 from other sources:
 - Give to the Max; West Metro Fire; tourney donations
- House Report (Mike F.; Stephanie)
 - Noble issue: problems from district about space usage; any alternatives??
 - Issue came in last week; we are suspended 2 weeks from Noble, starting 1/14
 - Shawn sent out notice to all House parents - remind to be mindful
 - need help from parents, otherwise we have nowhere to host
 - need to address with the District; make sure stories are accurate
 - Mike F. will contact Jennifer B on Monday to talk about it
 - Jon will reschedule, give priority to games at other gyms;
 - K-2 update/developments (parent complaints; John C proposal)
 - Many parent complaints about one of the 1-2 boy sessions (Mathias' groups)
 - Issues are serious; do we make change now? After season?
 - Jon has already tried to work with him; complaints continue
 - Board: need to make change now; how to resolve?
 - Actions to be taken immediately:
 - Jon will let Mathias know
 - Jon will circulate schedule of all nights that need to be covered
 - Mike F and Mike S to cover first 2 weeks – give us time to figure it out
 - Dan P – will reach out to Coach Ron to see if he's interested
 - MMS authorized him to offer \$75/night (M/W 6-8p)
 - if others have options of people who would do it; let us know
 - other action?
 - message from Board/President??
 - future seasons, develop plan for each session for entire year/program
 - find people that are good with kids and knowledgeable of the game
- Girls Travel Report (Dave)
 - Girls Youth Night @ Cooper on 1/18
 - posted on website; Shawn will send out blast; MMS- FB post
 - State registrations – paid
 - No complaints about teams/rosters
- Boys Travel Report (James)
 - Boys Youth Night on 1/25
 - posted on website; shawn will send out blast; MMS – FB post
 - State registrations – paid
 - No complaints from parents; all seems good

- Tournaments Report
 - 2018 Girls Tournament Recap (Skram for Dante)
 - all-in-all, good tournament; no big issues w/ teams/fans/coaches
 - look to host at Cooper next season
 - ballpark saw profit in ballpark of years past
 - donations helped
 - fewer registrations, but some fewer expenses
 - 2019 Boys Tournament Update (Skram)
 - on track; full as of this weekend (112 teams – 12 are ours)
 - Games at PMS & AHS
 - will need help with point people at PMS
 - Skram will circulate schedule to be filled by Board
 - services lined up: clock workers, refs, medics, awards
- New Business
 - 1 - End-of-year banquet & Board/Coaches celebration?
 - Yes to banquet
 - Yes to celebration; maybe Frankies'
 - maybe board meeting first; then invite coaches after
 - look into March (maybe after Spring Break?)
 - 2 - Cooper Boys inquiry
 - Skram relayed convo w/ Cooper Board members; their issues moving fwd
 - Their request for us to consider merging to have AC Boys Travel program
 - Board had some immediate discussions, but issue is new to many
 - several options available, each raises their own set of questions
 - most seem to think there is little benefit to current families
 - why did this work for girls travel, but not boys? Not much historical info
 - table until next meeting for further discussion/vote
 - Skram will contact Cooper board members, and update them
 - Board will think about proposal
 - 3 - Girls Tournament date change / Rochester Early Bird in November?
 - Board is interested in this change, based on these benefits:
 - several families with boys and girls, would be good for same weekend
 - early season tournament would be good for team building
 - different weekend for Girls Tourney may be a good change
 - 1 concern: people leaving for Thanksgiving
 - if we do it, need to think of many moving parts
 - hotels: Michele is working on finding 1 or group for 100-125 rooms

- Early notice to travel families
- put notice in registration info? announce this season
- connect with Rochester – room for all our teams?
- weekend for changing our tournament Dec or Jan
 - make sure weekends available thru district
 - don't want to compete with other tournaments
 - maybe give notice now to programs
 - would impact scheduling for other tournaments as well
- Early notice to travel families, so they can reserve rooms & plan

4 – In-house Training changes?

- need to consider efficiency of MSB; are we getting all for \$\$?
 - good part of MSB: smaller numbers w/ instructors
 - many of things they work on are what can be /are being done
 - really beneficial for some teams; less for others
 - we pay monthly invoice; only 1 session/mo for each travel team
 - they charge almost double what we are paying in-house
- Skram: big question:
 - Is our \$\$ being spent well? We do have some budget concerns
- Potential to upgrade out of season program; much needed
 - comes with many questions
 - many dual-sport athletes; will we get participation?
 - can we easier schedule our in-season skills training?
- We should look to what can be done both in and out of season
 - need to start planning soon if we're going to do it
 - want to be fair to MSB if we're not going to be booking with them FT
 - maybe give them opportunity to participate?
 - need to have something in place shortly after season ends
 - Skram/Rafe/Frie start talk and meeting w/ trainers

5 - Spring basketball/insurance

- If we have AC-only teams, we can help support;
 - We can let them use our insurance
 - help keep costs down so they don't have to go to AAU
 - need to work on their own to schedule gym time, but we can help
- travel commissioners, can share/encourage option for teams

- Around-the-horn for any other items
 - No other issues

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- Plan for next meetings
 - Date/Location: Look at **Feb 17** now; no need for another meeting before tournament
 - March: earlier on a Sunday, followed by Board/Coaches Happy Hour?
 - this would be last Board meeting of the season
 - April meeting would be first for next year
 - open portion to all families??

- Adjourn: 10:00p