



MGBA Board Minutes

December 18, 2024

Minnetonka Girls Basketball Association

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Present:	Amanda Kieper, Andy Gilles, Lisa Diessner, Meg Montgomery, Jill Vinge, Matt Buehler, Jacky Gilles, Josh Jansen, Brian Kirchoff, Rachel Turnbull, Kenna Dooley	
Time	Agenda Item	
6:30 pm	Call to Order - Amanda Kieper	
6:31 pm	Approval of November 20, 2024 Meeting Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Kenna Dooley motioned to approve Minutes; Amanda Kieper seconded. Motion passed unanimously.	
6:32 pm	Marketing/Events Update - Meg Montgomery and Josh Jansen <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Feedback from initial grade night and Teddy Bear Toss at Varsity game- Tonka Timberwolves Experience, February 3, details:<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Working out on-court details for grades 6-8	TO DO: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Re: Feb. 3 Timberwolves Night<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Designate a “grade leader” for each grade level to take the ticket order- Grade leader provides order to MGBA- MGBA calls with one credit card to purchase tickets

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pregame activities for grades 3-5: arrive by 6:00p sharp - \$49/ticket - Venmo from each TM - Know ticket totals by January 13 - Wolves want 240 total tickets sold - We could pay up front and then get the best tickets available 	
6:40 pm	<p>Secretary Report - Lisa Diessner</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - JR AllStars sweatshirt sale total proceeds to MGBA: \$177 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - From Sunday sales at MHS - Check delivered to Andy Gilles 	TO DO:
6:41 pm	<p>Treasurer's Update - Andy Gilles</p>	TO DO:
6:41 pm	<p>High School Report - None</p>	TO DO:
6:41 pm	<p>24-25 Calendar Update - Brian Kirchoff and Josh Jansen</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Third grade travel discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Brian and Matt got an email from 3A coach asking to pull out of MYAS league (cc-ing them) because crushing everyone <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - MGBA had to smooth things over with MYAS 	TO DO:

- MYAS refunded \$800 in funds
- 3A coach was told that we need to explore 3A first before looking at older grades
- Recommendation: can sign up for two tournaments within the \$800 budget, and the team will kick in from the \$250 payment to cover any overage
 - Picked up January 12th- Westonka 3A tourney already, making 4 total tournaments
 - Got in as a freebie from Westonka
 - Picked up Farmington February 8-9
 - Working on the final paid tournament - maybe Blaine
 - Edina waitlist (3)
 - Wayzata waitlist (3)
 - Irondale (4C)
- We don't want them playing our own 4-3 team in tournaments
- Third graders paid only \$280 for 3 tournaments and 10 league games
- All tourney adds need to go through Brian Kirchoff
- Out-of-town tournament alternatives/additions:
 - Earlier in the season is better

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Spirit of the North: Duluth (mid-November) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ref shortage up there - Let's compare with Iowa options - Reciprocity - Sioux Falls: Sanford Health Pentagon (8 tourneys) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Not the best competition - Ames/Des Moines (8 tourneys) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Early November would be a good idea - Expensive for people - Avoid boys' tournament weekend - Paul Bunyan Classic: Brainerd (mid-February) - too late - Find a tournament the first week of November and then head to Iowa 	
7:00 pm	<p>In-Season Training Update - Amanda Kieper</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Great feedback regarding Thomas Gorrilla - Getting creative to provide training options over non-school days - First ever winter break camp set 	TO DO:

7:05 pm	<p>DEI Initiative - Kenna Dooley and Lisa Diessner</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Three Tonka seventh grade teams - Began communications with Timberwolves/Lynx on possible dates and sister school(s) - Kenna Dooley sent out the email to the Timberwolves/Lynx today 	<p>TO DO:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kenna Dooley: Schedule first session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Update: January 29 at Mayo Clinic Square - Lisa Diessner: Schedule bus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Update: First Student, \$606.50 plus gratuity - Kenna Dooley or Kim Hoehne: Arrange dinner
7:10 pm	<p>Snow Globe Tournament - Jill Vinge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Feedback - HS concessions - check will show up eventually - Meal tickets for all refs and trainers/EMS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SWC didn't charge for those - Do we do SWC next year? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Need more taping - Did the corners as a favor to us - VOTE: Unanimous approval - We could do more games on Friday - Made about \$18,000 on the Globe - Would lose \$30,000 if didn't do the Globe next year - Add transportation for snow globes to volunteer sign-ups - EMS at SWC on Saturday night had a couple of dust-ups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Defensive presence and was unhelpful 	<p>TO DO:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Multiple complaints that she was battling parents with injured children - Next year: do sandwich board for directions at MHS - Do a donation drive during the tournament - Send out extra trophies as promotion - Owatonna and Buffalo have their entire associations interested next year 	
7:40 pm	<p>Uniforms and Apparel Update - Kenna Dooley</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Explore outside of BSN <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maybe “Big” in Chanhassen - Only need to do new players and reordered sizes, plus shooting shirts, coaches apparel and fan apparel - Snow Globe sweatshirt profit update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Shipped to us late and then UPS lost a box - 108 presale - 133 onsite - Plus missing sweatshirts - \$10,305 with \$6,250 cost - Could make another \$1,440 if sold the extra (since she had to make the extra box that was insured) 	TO DO:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - \$5495 total profit (compared to \$3,250 last year) - Maybe youth sizes next year - Maybe no presale next year - Get girls involved to vote on design - Done with uniform payments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - About six extra pairs of shorts 	
8:00 pm	Adjourn	

Next Meeting: January 27, 2025, at 6:30 pm at Deephaven Elementary School