



MGBA Board Minutes

April 10, 2025

Minnetonka Girls Basketball Association

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Present:	Doug Espenson, Amanda Kieper, Lisa Diessner, Andy Gilles, Meg Montgomery, Jill Vinge, Brian Kirchoff, Rachel Turnbull, Jacky Gilles	
Time	Agenda Item	
6:30 pm	Call to Order - Doug Espenson	
6:30 pm	Approval of March 19, 2025 Meeting Minutes Motion passed unanimously.	
6:30 pm	Secretary Report - Lisa Diessner <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Save the dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tryouts: Sept. 13-16 and 18 - Kickoff in cafeteria: Sept. 30 - Rochester: Nov. 22-23 - Snow Globe: Dec. 5-7 - State: Feb. 28 - Mar. 1 	TO DO: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Which association will host a tourney the new last full weekend in February?

6:35 pm	<p>Treasurer's Update - Andy Gilles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tax return update: Due 5/15. On track. Working with the same person who did them last year. - Budget update: Sitting where we were in February - Player and tourney registration fees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Player registration fee: increase \$50 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Voted: Passed unanimously - Each team costs about \$3,500 in tourney registrations - Average tourney cost: \$465 - 2024: 98 paying Snow Globe teams, plus our teams - Snow Globe entry: raise it to \$475 (from 425) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Voted: Passed unanimously - Anticipate up to 19 MGBA teams <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Could have three teams split two gyms, with each gym getting 30 minutes of a full gym - 3-1 does tournaments and 3-2 does league (plus Tonka, EP and State): These registration fees should go up 	<p>TO DO:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implement raising Snow Globe entry fee from \$425 to \$475 - Implement raising player registration fee by \$50 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Revisit registration fees by grade level, considering number of tourneys and league games for 3-2
7:00 pm	<p>High School Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Congratulations on retirement, Coach Cos!! - Thank you to Barry for the best organization, communication and treats!! - In three years: a State Championship and a 62-26 record - New Varsity Head Coach position posted Tuesday, 4/8 - GBB player meeting last night, 4/9 - Aiming to hire by the week of May 1 	<p>TO DO:</p>

<p>7:17 pm</p>	<p>24-25 Season Recap - Amanda Kieper</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Parent survey results: 52 people filled it out <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Value: 100% said it was a good value - Only one person said child is not planning on trying out next season - 10% said playing time was not within guidelines - 15% said not enough tournaments - Mixed feedback from training - Liked the away tournament at the beginning of the season - More camps and open gyms 	<p>TO DO:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Could add one more tournament to fourth grade - Could add weekend practices on non-tourney weekends
<p>7:25 pm</p>	<p>New Board Roles and Committees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Board Role Needs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Volunteer Coordinator - Fundraiser/Sponsorship Coordinator - Skills Coordinator - Poss: Uniform/Apparel - Committee Ideas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Marketing/Fundraising (overseen by Meg) - Snow Globe (overseen by Jill and Brian) - Season Tournament Registration/Association Liaison (overseen by Brian) - Evaluations - Paid Coaches - Have more of a liaison to the HS program 	<p>TO DO:</p>

7:45 pm	25-26 Calendar Update - Brian Kirchoff <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Timeline and plan for reaching out to other associations about our tourney - Timeline and plan for mapping out tournaments 	TO DO: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Avoid scheduling tournaments on traditional three-day holiday weekends, if possible
7:50 pm	In-Season Training and Summer Training Plans - Amanda Kieper and Doug Espenson <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Summer training options update - email sent to MGBA families already 	TO DO:
7:55 pm	Marketing/Events Update - Meg Montgomery and Josh Jansen <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Summer Challenge ideas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do we want to use the MBBA method for reporting? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - This past season: only worked for Apple users - Email blast and website info soon - May 21: Lynx are playing Dallas Wings (Paige) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expensive, but they have tickets set aside for youth programs, likely at the same price as the Wolves - Will open up the top for only three games this season (the Fever and the two Wings games) - Let's set up a deadline sooner rather than later 	TO DO:
8:00 pm	Adjourn	

Next Meeting: May 8, 2025, at 6:30 pm in MHS Writing Center