

EVAA BASKETBALL BOARD
July 14, 2014



Present: Sunder Iver, Brad Carlson, Julie Hermann, Summer Ward, Lisa Spann, Tom Hipple, Jill Peterson, Jason Priest, Jeff Plotnik, Jason Johnsen, Mark/Amy Schwanz, Andrea Theis, Danny Olsen

Absent: Sabrina Freeman, Nick Ehrman, Derek Bishop, Steve Crenshaw, May McKinney

Guests: Brian Ammann-MSOB, John Greven

• **WELCOME, APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Meeting called to order at 6:18pm.
- Minutes from June 9, 2014 meeting - Approved

General Dates Set (and subject to change)

- Boys End of Summer BB Academy and Pre-Tryout Clinics – Aug. 13, 14, 20 and 21, 2014
- Girls End of Summer BB Academy and Pre-Tryout Clinic – Aug 18, 19 and 26, 2014
- Boys Tryouts grades 4-6 on Sept 6 and grades 5-6 on Sept 7, 2014 (*some 4th graders have Diamond Path trip—tentative plan to have 1 day tryout for 4th graders on 9/6*)
- Girl Tryouts grades 4-8 on Sept 13 and 14, 2014
- Boys Tryouts grades 7-8 on Sept 20 and 21, 2014
- Boys EVAA hosted tourney Nov 15 and 16, 2014
- Girls EVAA hosted tourney Feb 7 and 8, 2015

*** Summer to secure all facilities**

*** Tom to post on the website**

- Vote taken to approve Jeff Plotnik and Jason Johnsen as new voting board members (2 voting positions).
- Vote taken to approve Mark and Amy Schwanz as new board members (1 voting position).
- Motion made by Brad Carlson and seconded to make Jill Peterson EVAA Basketball Program Director. Discussion followed the proposal.
- Brian Ammann from Minnesota School of Basketball updated Board on MSOB program. Brian mentioned that he will be opening up his fall and early winter schedule to the public at end of July. Discussion by Jason as to if the Boys program wants to block calendar time with MSOB for some number of team training sessions. Jason to discuss with Jeff and reach out to Brian/MSOB following meeting. Amy Schwanz noted that some of the younger girls' teams did not use their allotted training sessions. Amy to reach out to Steve Crenshaw to see if blocking MSOB time for Girls is doable as well.
- Vote taken to make Jill Peterson EVAA Basketball Program Director. Not all Board members were present so several votes were received off line by email following the board meeting. Announced to Board in an email on July 16 that Jill had received a majority of the votes--so motion passed.
- **EVHS Boys Program Update – Danny Olsen**
 - Will work with Jeff and Jason to host a potential EVHS/EVAA Boys event for Boys program. Dates to continue to be discussed.
 - No other updates.

- **BOYS Program Update – Jeff Plotnik (absent)/Jason Johnsen**
 - Jeff and Jason continuing to learn more about the Boys program and get ready for this upcoming season. Working on coach recruiting, tournament scheduling, open gym staffing, relationship development with EVHS, among other things.
 - Discussed need to tweak original 4th grade Boys tryout dates/times due to annual Diamond Path trip. Tentative decision to just have 4th grade boy's tryout on Saturday, September 6th only prior to the trip departure date/time. Jill Peterson to verify trip date/time departure with Diamond Path.

- **Boys Tournament Update – Jason Priest**
 - Boys Tournament flyers have been completed and given to MYAS to include in their upcoming summer book.
 - Jason to separately reach out to other organizations to see if in future years they would be interested in the “no admissions” idea and to gauge interest.
 - Will confirm tournament venues with Summer now that she has initial feedback from District 196 Community Ed.
 - Limit tournament to around 125 teams given volunteer issues
 - Need to revisit decision not to have trainers. Previous discussion from board meetings in past have concluded that trainers are a must for liability reasons (i.e. cost of doing business).

- **GIRLS Program Update – Steve Crenshaw (absent)**
 - No update

- **Girls Tournament Update – May McKinney**
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- **Volunteers Update – Sabrina Freeman (absent)**
 - No Update
 - Jill/Brad to reach out to Sabrina to see if she is still interested in maintaining board position.

- **Concessions Update – Julie Hermann**
 - Julie is still interested in having more backups in the concessions area for next year's tournaments. Will work with Sabrina, Tom and May to tweak volunteer position matrix to get more help.

- **In-House Basketball Update – Derek Bishop/Nick Ehrman (both absent)**
 - No update

- **Facilities Update – Summer Ward**
 - Received initial gym requests for Boys and Girls Tournament space. There are some venues that were requested that are not available as originally planned. Summer continuing to analyze what space is “booked” and will meet with Jason and May to sync up.
 - Summer will continue to lease with Community Ed on creative solutions to any gym shortages for tournaments.
 - Summer will work with Community Ed to verify Tryout dates/times and receive permits.
 - Space for next year’s program – practices, etc. has been requested. Waiting on Community Ed as well as other venues. Will likely need additional space options to complete schedule (Bloomington Kennedy, Our Savior, Farmington and ECC).

- **Treasurer Update – Sunder Iyer**
 - Sunder has not yet received a purchasing card from Big Board.
 - Sunder feels hand off from Amy Hernesman regarding financial status of EVAA Basketball surplus is accurate.
 - Will work with Jill on new budget for next year that will need to be presented and approved by Big Board at their September 15th meeting.

- **Website Update – Tom Hipple**
 - Registration continues. Current registrants are similar in numbers to last year
 - Hard deadline for Traveling registrations continues to be August 31, 2014.
 - Working on other tweaks/updates to EVAA website as necessary.
 - Will propose a tighter process around email blasts to EVAA basketball parents/players. Want to ensure most important information is communicated timely—but not clog emails with so many communiqués that recipients ignore over time.

- **Equipment Update – Lisa Spann**
 - Lisa researched the missing portable scoreboards and found out that Derek as 2 of them from In House uses which are now back in shed---and 1 scoreboard is with Dan Guebert (in process of being returned to Lisa).
 - Lisa to continue to search for any other missing scoreboards and purchase replacements to start the season with an appropriate number for our use.

- **Logo Wear & Uniforms – [Jill Peterson]**
 - Reviewing logo wear vendors for upcoming season. If anyone has any vendors that need to be considered/researched please reach out to Jill.

- **Player Development – Andrea Theis (Boys) and Brad Carlson (Girls)**
 - 2014 Shot Club began April 15, 2014. Numbers down a bit from last year but too early to tell how many. EVHS Coach Goetz program in process as well.
 - Continue to receive signups for Boys and Girls End of Summer Basketball Academy and Pre-Tryout Clinics at Eastview High School gyms (7 dates (4 boys and 3 girls) in mid-late August). Information has been emailed to distribution list and flyer has been posted to website. Registration deadline is August 8, 2014.

- Andrea Theis to continue to work with Jill P., Steve C., Summer W. and Jeff P. to organize and coordinate Summer Open Gym opportunities for mid-June through end of August. Boy's leadership will oversee boys open gym. Steve C. will oversee girls open gyms.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:08pm

NEXT MEETING - Monday, August 11th at Apple Valley Community Center – starting time 6:15pm