



Backcourt Club Meeting Agenda

January 12, 2009

Attendance: Ellie Ortmann, Brenda Esnough-Buhse, Ron Spier, Jay Bares, Jon High, Scott Larson, Tim Ortmann, Steve Senger,

- **Approval of December minutes**

- Table till Feb Meeting – No copies of last months minutes due to secretary dropping the ball.

- **Treasures reports**

- Table till Feb Meeting
- Question regarding on Novembers register report for Bucks Pizza - \$1700.

- **Coach Guida report**

- N/A

- **Old Business**

- Breakdown tourney recap
 - N/A
- Apparel sales (Brenda)
 - N/A
- Varsity program (Lana)
 - N/A
- Feb 09 Tourney update (Tim D)
 - 25 teams signed up – Does not include our Boys teams.
 - Will send out an email to those that played in Nov reminding of Feb Tourney
 - Registrations still trickling in
- Travelling Update (Coaches)
 - 4th Grade Purple – Tom R

- Played in St. Cloud this past weekend ended up 1-2 taking 5th place. All three games were very competitive.
 - Great improvement from our last tournament in Monticello.
 - Need to work on offensive spacing, defensive positioning.
 - Great group of kids, and great group of parents.
 - Next tournament in Mound January 24-25.
- 4th Grade White – Tim Gabrelcik
 - We just participated in the St.Cloud Winter Shootout on 1/11. The boys/parents had a great time by all accounts! We did well but still have plenty of room for improvement. The boys did win the Championship by beating Little Falls (3rd time this year in 3tournaments, more on that later.) Elk River in what we were told was there (A) team. We were told they were 17-1 going into the game against us and had been in 5 tournaments already! This was our best played game of the day, when I asked the boys which game did they enjoy the most this game was a unanimous answer! Lastly, we played an inner city team for the Championship, I'm anxious to offer feedback to the tourney director as I've never in all my years of organized sports seen such disrespect,discontent ever from opposing team/fans. It got so bad that several of the other teams fans we're warned that they were going to be thrown out of the gym by the referee.
 - I'd also like to comment on the court setup for this tourney. 3 games are going on at once on the main court at Hallenbeck, and as you may know from playing there prior, the coaches really have a difficult time coaching from where you have to sit, also many fans were not happy with where they had to sit to watch their kids ie., on the upper level. If we go to St.Cloud in the future we'd hopefully play in the fieldhouse vs. the main courts. Other than that the other two games went w/out a hitch, the boys had a great time, they were great sports as usual and we'll learn from everything that we experienced. Though tired, the boys are excited for Friday nights halftime varsity scrimmage! Oh yes, and by luck of the draw we've played Little Falls in all 3tournaments we've been in this year as they've been put in the same pool as us on all occasions! They have a very nice team/coaches.
 - 5th Grade Purple – Steve Olson/Jeff Willert
 - We took 3rd in the St. Cloud tourney; the games we lost were very close. (our two losses were by a total of 5 points but unfortunately were still losses).
 - The boys are starting to gel with offenses, defenses and other set plays. The effort was good. The tournament was organized and well run.
 - 5th Grade White – Rob Nudell
 - Our team os 10-6 on the year. Just played at Rockford this weekend, went 3 and 1 (2nd place). Lost on the championship by 3 in triple OT.

- Making some gains in playing better defense and moving the ball better (finding the open guy)
 - Have some new kids that haven't played organized ball before that are improving in many areas!
 - Next tourney is the 24/25 in St Michael.
- 6th Grade Purple
 - 4 tourneys since last meeting
 - Monti – 2nd place.
 - St. Francis 1st place
 - Hastings – 3rd place
 - Rockford – 2nd place
 - One child required medical attention
 - Child cramped up – too much water prior to game
 - No medical staff on site- had to wait for paramedics
- 7th Grade Purple – Brett Rhodes
 - St Cloud 2-1
 - St Francis 2-1
 - Brooklyn Park 2-1
- 8th Grade Purple – Steve Senger
 - Breakdown tourney – 1st place
 - Monti – needed extra team. Went 1-2, 4th Place
 - St. Francis – Cancelled due to weather/sickness
 - Action Item/Suggestion – If having an A and B team it work better to put more kids on the A team and less on the B team. It would be easier to add B team kids that have not tried out.
- 8th Grade White – Ben Clifton/Gary Fabel
 - It looked like the holiday layoff did not help us. We struggled on the first day of the Rockford Tourney losing two, but bounced back with our best outing to date on Sunday and got a nice win.
 - The kids are continuing to work hard in practice. Our team defense and transition game are coming along.
- Spirit coordinator update
 - N/A
- Purchasing a backup scoreboard (Jon H)
 - No update.
 - Want to talk with Tom B to see if various clubs would like to assist with the purchase.
 - Rental would be about \$35/day
 - Should we have a stop watch handy in case our boards go out?
- Board Elections
 - Will be during the February BCC meeting, February 9,2009
 - There will be 3 open positions this year

- You must notify Jay Bares, jaybares@hotmail.com of your intent to run by February 4, 2009
- Need to make sure that the voting process is clear. Can vote for up to 3 people. (Make a note on the ballot)
- Need to determine the Actual Start date for new terms
 - Have old and new board members work together during the Feb tournament.
- Pre February tournament meeting
 - Meet prior to our Feb meeting.
 - Monday February 2, 2009, 7:00pm @ Ron's office. 306 Brighton Ave. 2 buildings west of Wise Penny Thrift Shop.
- Equipment needs
 - Need some additional basketballs
 - Gary will talk to Tim Ortmann
 - Ron Spier needs some larger basketballs
 - Steve Senger would like 2 additional Balls and needs some additional First Aid supplies.
- New equipment needs (Brenda)
 - Cookie maker
 - Will check on price.
 - No update

• New Business

- Food shelf night
 - Went well
 - Brought \$100.00
 - Not sure on quantity of food.
 - Feeling it is worth doing this again
 - Need to promote a little more
- Travelling State tourney sign ups
 - None are signed up yet.
 - Due early February
 - Scott Larson will follow up with the coaches
 - Jay to send Scott the coaches list.
 - Invite all coaches to Feb 9th Meeting.
- New 4th grade player that wants to join.
 - Child was not available to try out
 - Relayed that Community Ed is available for the child
 - Had determined that it is too late in the season

- Can Gary contact this person. Brenda has the information.

• Adjournment

- 8:10pm

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Next meeting: Monday February 9, 2009, **7:00pm** in the teachers lounge at the Buffalo High School.