Hopkins Royals Boys Basketball Association July Monthly Meeting Minutes

Thursday, July 20, 2016 7:00 p.m. Minnetonka Community Center

Meeting Attendance:

Bobby Ciatti	Joan Frenz	Tim Omdahl
Andrea Rauser	Conrad Chin	Amara Chesson
Tim Hoffman		

1. Call to Order/Minutes/Agenda Review

- a. Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.
- b. The Minutes of the June 2016 Board meeting were reviewed but not approved due to a lack of a quorum.
- c. Guest None

2. Reports/Critical Discussions

a. Director of Development

- i. David Hillesheim has resigned from the Board.
- ii. Joan Frenz has expressed interest in the Development Director position. She is passionate about basketball, the program and developing skills.
- iii. Joan was nominated to the position of Development Director, and by email vote, was approved to the position.

b. Treasurer Update

- i. \$27,739.41 in bank at end of May.
- ii. Apple Valley has finally cashed its check.
- iii. Budget The budget for the upcoming season was discussed. Expenses are going up for reasons discussed during our June meeting.
- iv. Tax Update Tim is working on the Association's taxes, and will be meeting with the prior treasurer. The due date was in May, but as our fiscal year end is the end of May, we obtained an extension until August.

c. Annual MYAS Travel Directors' Meeting

- i. The annual MYAS Travel Directors Meeting is August 3 at 6:30 p.m. at Park Center High School.
- ii. Bobby cannot attend this year. Jean will go in his place.

d. Uniform Update

- Conrad had samples of uniform types that were shown at the meeting. Currently he is considering a Badger style that would have the Hopkins logo as one hit at the base of the shorts, on the left side.
- ii. Conrad looked at different suppliers and companies and has decided to work with Universal this year (in prior years we have worked with General Sports). Universal will assist with sizing during tryouts, and will also gather, sort and collate our uniforms, so that we don't have to have a bagging night.
- iii. We have discussed the possibility of sponsorships to help offset uniform costs. Sponsors' names would be featured on the backs of shooting shirts.
- iv. Universal can also provide spiritwear, and samples of possible coaches' gear were also passed around.
- v. September 28 is the date by which we will need to provide Universal with all printing information.

e. Picture Night

- i. Amara is taking the lead on this and will work with Joan and Stacie. We will need to book the photographer soon. Joan will give Amara the contact information and advice.
- ii. Date/Location: We cannot reserve a space with the district until August 17. Subject to availability, we will still try for Monday, November 7.
- iii. There will be no practice on picture night. Once the date is finally determined, Andrea will try to set up a Chipotle fundraiser for that night. We can discuss alternatives if Chipotle is not available (Pizza Rev, Blaze Pizza, etc.) at our next meeting.

f. Policy and Procedures Update

- i. The updated Program Policies and Program Guidelines were reviewed. These were previously circulated, with Dana and Stacie providing input and changes via email. Those changes will be incorporated, along with changes proposed by Tim O.
- ii. The updated Policies and Guidelines were subsequently presented to the entire board for voting by email and, subject to one minor change proposed by Andrea, were approved.

g. Registration/Tryout Update

- i. Dana has started working on the online registration, and we are targeting an August 1 date to go live with registration. **UPDATE**: Registration opened on August 4.
- ii. Amara has suggested that there be some way for parents to indicate their volunteer interest at the time of registration, so that we can better match parents to their interests. She will work with Dana on this.
- iii. Further discussion centered on how to handle 8th grade registrations and team formation given uncertainties over how many players will be pulled up by the Hopkins High School program, and which players those are likely to be.

h. Tournament Update

 At this point we have 51 teams that have either paid or have committed to playing in the tournament. This includes teams that did not play last year.

i. Coaching Update

- i. Bobby reported that we are behind in finding coaches. Most leads have fallen flat, and we do not have commitments from all of the coaches from last year. Some will not be returning. We are posting on college sites and all board members are asked to contact Bobby with any leads.
- ii. We may have the opportunity to have a highly qualified parent coach one of the more competitive upper-grade teams. The Board discussed and those present generally agreed that it would preferable to have a paid parent coach, if that coach is qualified and willing to coach the team, than a lesser qualified non-parent. This issue will be revisited in August.

iii. The issue of coaches' pay was again discussed, as was a pay matrix developed by the Coaching Director. The matrix that sets a range, with actual pay depending on factors like experience overall, time with the organization, team level of play.

j. Miscellaneous

- i. Bobby met with a representative of the Positive Coaching Alliance. He does not think that it is a go for this year, but it is something to consider in the future.
- ii. Andrea advised the Board that an HRBBA player recently suffered a serious head injury and that another long-time HRBBA parent was facing a serious health issue. Joan will send a card to the player on behalf of the Board, and Andrea will send a card to the parent.
- iii. Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting August 10, 2016 at 7:00 at the Minnetonka Community Center.