

The meeting was called to order by President Clay Fandre at 7:03 p.m on Sunday, November 1, 2020.

## **Directors in Attendance**

- 1. Chris Anderson
- 2. Jeremy Bly
- 3. Jackie Boldt
- 4. Becky Carruthers (virtual)
- 5. Clay Fandre
- 6. Nancy Hayes
- 7. Jen Johnson
- 8. Kelly Larson
- 9. Victoria Loewblosser (virtual)
- 10. Andy Meschke
- 11. Brad Melsa
- 12. John Mulkern
- 13. Josh Redetzke
- 14. Lakoda Will (virtual)

#### **Directors Absent**

- 1. Seth Wigley
- 2. Tracey Ellis

# **Guests in Attendance**

None

## **Meeting Minutes**

• Director Johnny Mulkern made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 2020 meeting. Director Andy Meschke seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

#### **Open Board Positions**

- The current open positions are Girls Program Director and In House Director. President Fandre asked each Director to consider candidates that would be able to successfully step into these roles.
- Vice President Will will continue to manage the Girls Program Director role.
- Mike Grunklee was presented as a candidate for the Treasurer role. Kelly Larson made a motion to approve Mike Grunkless as Treasurer. Lakoda Will seconded the motion. Mike Grunklee was elected as the Treasurer (Nancy Hayes will return to Assistant Treasurer).

# Eagan Athletic Association ("EAA") Update

- President Fandre discussed the structure of EAA and their role in supporting each sport within EAA (administrative help, insurance, etc).
- President Fandre attends monthly EAA board meetings to report on Eagan Basketball.
- EAA currently has no concerns with the operations of Eagan Basketball.

# **Treasurer's Report**

- Nancy Hayes, Treasurer, provided a financial update.
- The September 30, 2020 fund balance is approximately \$124,000. At this time in 2019, the fund balance was \$168,000. The difference is due to less registration for travel received as most parents have opted for the payment plan and not all in-house registration opened yet (only 4th 6th grade).
- 246 players registered for the travel program which was less than budgeted. Though registration for travel was less than budgeted, there were savings on using Catalyst Training for tryouts.
- There have not been collections from parents of the paid coaches to date. President Fandre recommended team managers to work with each team to collect for the paid coaches.

#### **New Business**

- Eagan Tourney update:
  - a. Chris Anderson provided information to Directors on the operations for the 3 sites in which the Eagan tournament will be held. Those sites are the Eagan Community Center, the Apple Valley Community Center and Hope Fieldhouse.
  - b. Chris Anderson asked that all Board members wear badges at all times during their shifts at site supervisor.
  - c. Tourney Machine will be used to update scores.
  - d. An Eagan Run and Gun twitter account will be used to announce to teams when they can proceed into the facility before the games.
  - e. Each player and parent will have their temperature taken when they arrive at the site.
  - f. Teams and parents will wait outside for games. Players can enter 10 minutes prior to the game and parents can enter 2 minutes prior to the game.
  - g. Food trucks at each site will provide a portion of sales to Eagan Basketball. Directors should recommend to parents to patronize the food trucks as the revenue from food trucks may determine if the tournament is profitable.
  - h. The six volunteer positions at the sites are:
    - Site Manager (Director from the Board)
    - Bracket Manager
    - Door Manager/Escort
    - Court Cleaner
    - Scorekeeper
    - Time clock
- Tryouts Review:
  - Director Bly provided his recap of tryouts from late September. In particular he commended Catalyst
    Training for assisting with tryouts and the to the member of the board for the check in process for
    players.
  - b. Directors provided feedback received from parents that certain courts didn't have enough evaluators.
  - c. Given COVID, it was acceptable to do tryouts over one weekend, but not ideal. The goal for 2021 tryouts would be to conduct tryouts over two weekends to give players and evaluators more opportunity to evaluate players.

# Coach Meeting Recap:

a. There were two separate meetings held lead by each Eagan varsity basketball coach for the parent and paid coaches.

#### Assistant Coaches:

a. Certain teams have a large quantity of assistant coach volunteers. Per the COVID guidelines, only two assistant coaches can attend each practice.

#### Out of Town Tournaments:

- a. The Brainerd tournament was discussed as to whether teams from Eagan should participate. After discussion it was decided to discuss further at the next Board meeting in conjunction with COVID cases then.
- b. The Brainerd tournament cancellation dates are January 12, 2021 for boys and January 20, 2021 for girls.

### In House Update

- a. Registration for 4th 6th grade is currently open but only 28 total players have registered.
- b. There was discussion about how to be able to have a K 3rd given that only elementary hoops can be lowered and the elementaries are not allowing gym rental. Director Victoria will research whether Hope Fieldhouse is an option for K 3rd practices.
- c. It was decided that Taste of Travel should be allowed for 3rd grade.

# MYAS/COVID-19 return to play updates

a. President Fandre reported on the monthly MYAS calls that he participates in. MYAS is trying to get all associations back to play, but in a safe manner.

## Merchandise Update

- a. Jen Johnson, Merchandise Director, has received new practice jerseys for each travel team and shooter shirts, along with coach shirts.
- b. The Board commended Jen on the quality and look of the shooter shirts.
- Eagan Basketball merchandise will be sold through Squad Locker again. Eagan Basketball receives 10%
  of all Squad Locker merchandise sold.

#### Sponsorship Update:

- a. Sponsorship Director, Tracey Ellis, sent an email to President Fandre on the status of Sponsorships.
- b. Approximately \$200 was raised through the October 6th, 2020 fundraiser held at Chipolte. A fundraiser will be held at Canes on November 3, 2020.
- c. MinnWest Bank will donate \$500 to Eagan Basketball.
- d. Minnesota School of Basketball will donate \$300 to Eagan Basketball.
- e. Summit Orthopedics will donate \$1000 to Eagan Basketball.
- f. Director Ellis asked for signage for sponsors at the tournament.
- g. There will be a Savoys fundraiser in December 2020.
- h. A bingo fundraiser night at Coopers will occur on January 22, 2021.
  - There was discussion on the execution of the baskets for the Coopers fundraiser night. It was decided to abandon the baskets for this fundraiser. Director Hayes suggested expanding and pushing the 50/50 raffle more since it is much easier to execute.
- i. Director Hayes suggested that parents receive communication about why supporting fundraisers is important (lost tournament revenue, potentially no in house program, etc).

- j. President Fandre and Treasurer Hayes will work on a pie chart that illustrates how dollars in the program are spent each season.
- k. Secretary Larson has completed the required forms to request a \$2000 donation from the Eagan Hockey Association.

# Other Business.

a. President Fandre discussed a player's financial situation and asked the Board to have Eagan Basketball support this family during their financial hardship. A motion was made by President Fandre and seconded by Kelly Larson to have the Association pay for the player's portion of the paid coach and additional tournaments this season.

There was a motion to adjourn by President Fandre. The motion was seconded by Josh Redetzke. The meeting was adjourned at 9:10.