



The meeting was called to order by President Clay Fandre at 7:03 p.m on Sunday, November 22, 2020.

Directors in Attendance

1. Chris Anderson
2. Jeremy Bly
3. Jackie Boldt
4. Becky Carruthers
5. Tracey Ellis
6. Clay Fandre
7. Mike Grunklee
8. Nancy Hayes
9. Jen Johnson
10. Kelly Larson
11. Victoria Loewblosser
12. Andy Meschke
13. Brad Melsa
14. John Mulkern
15. Josh Redetzke
16. Seth Wigley
17. Lakoda Will

Directors Absent

None

Guests in Attendance

1. Jesse Madsen, Eagan High School Girls Varsity Coach
2. Kevin McKenzie, Eagan High School Boys Varsity Coach
3. Reid Ouse, Catalyst Training

Meeting Minutes

- Director Johnny Mulkern made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 1, 2020 meeting. Director Tracey Ellis seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Eagan Athletic Association ("EAA") Update

- President Fandre provided information about recent EAA changes, including that the previous President, JJ Kirby, has resigned. TJ Rice assumed the President position after JJ's resignation.
- President Fandre stated that bylaws for various EAA sports are currently being reviewed so that they are consistent among each sport. President Fandre does not see any major changes necessary to the basketball bylaws.

Open Board Positions

- The current open positions are Girls Program Director and In House Director. There is a candidate interested in the Girls Program Director role, however this individual has a daughter playing travel basketball and it is preferred to have a person with no child in the program be the Program Director.
- Vice President Lakoda Will will continue to manage the Girls Program Director role.

Treasurer's Report

- Mike Grunklee, Treasurer, provided a financial update.
- The current fund balance is \$118,000, which is \$17,000 less than the prior year. This decrease was driven by most parents electing the payment plan for the cost of their player's registration and no in-house program.
- Treasurer Grunklee provided the potential financial impact to Eagan Basketball if there was no in-house or Taste of Travel program in 2020-2021.
- Currently no sponsorship dollars have been received in October, but they are expected to be received in November.
- A question was asked by Assistant Treasurer Hayes on collection from parents of teams with paid coaches. President Fandre is going to wait until early 2021 to start collection, since that is most likely the date he will know if players will be able to return to playing.

New Business

- Varsity Coaches update:
 - a. Coaches McKenzie and Madsen stated their teams are on a state mandated break until December 18th, 2020. There is a chance that either the season will be shortened or the season will be extended into the spring.
- Eagan Tourney update:
 - a. Directors Wigley and Anderson provided a tournament recap from the tournament held November 7 & 8, 2020. 136 teams played in the tournament.
 - b. There were three cases from the tournament in which contact tracing was required due to a positive COVID test of a player.
 - c. The tournament was profitable, even without concessions or admissions.
 - d. The food trucks, though popular with tourney attendees, contributed only \$170 to the association.
 - e. Director Wigley will provide a list of volunteers who did not complete their shifts to the Treasurer so their volunteer checks can be cashed.
 - f. Multiple directors commented on the positive conversations they had with coaches and parents on how well run the Eagan tournament was.
- COVID-19 status:
 - a. The state is not allowing any youth sports to be played for four weeks. The mandated "pause" ends on December 21, 2020. There is concern that even if the pause ends on December 21 that schools may not allow gym rental until after the school's winter break is over.
 - b. Certain associations have moved their tourneys originally scheduled for December to 2021 weekends.
 - The boys and girls tournament directors are still assessing how to reschedule tourneys given all these changes.

- c. There was discussion on what would occur when play resumes if a parent decides to pull their child out of the program and whether these families would get a refund. It was decided that since the fixed costs (gym rental, tourney fees, etc) do not change, refunds will not occur.
- Out of town tournament update:
 - a. It is not recommended that teams travel to other areas of the state due to COVID by the MN Department of Health and MYSA. As a result, Eagan will no longer participate in the Brainerd tournament in February.
 - Parents will receive notification to cancel their hotel reservations. Hotels have stated they will give families full refunds.
- In House Update
 - a. Registration for 4th - 6th grade will be closing soon. Approximately 60 players are registered, which is down significantly from the 150 typically registered.
 - b. Due to low registration numbers, 3rd graders will be allowed to register also.
 - c. K - 2nd grade options were discussed, but with no elementary gym spaces available to rent, finding practice space will be a challenge. Perhaps the season could be extended later into 2021.
- Facilities Update
 - a. Director Loewblosser doesn't know if elementary gyms will allow practices.
 - b. After parents were notified that players couldn't enter facilities until a few minutes prior to practice and had to wear masks, all players were compliant with no issues being encountered.
- Merchandise Update
 - a. Jen Johnson, Merchandise Director, stated that the association should receive \$265 from Squad Locker for merchandise sales to date.
 - b. Director Johnson showed the Eagan Basketball branded masks that are currently being sold. To date 77 mask orders have been placed. The sales will conclude at the end of November.
- Sponsorship Update:
 - a. Sponsorship Director, Tracey Ellis, stated that the Raising Cane's fundraiser in November totaled \$226. This was higher than the October fundraiser at Chipotle of \$200.
 - b. There will be a Red Savoy fundraiser on December 8, 2020.
 - c. A bingo fundraiser night at Coopers will occur on January 22, 2021.
 - d. FlipGive total raised to date is \$335.
 - Directors suggested another update to parents on how to use FlipGive, particularly with the holiday season upcoming. Other suggestions included having teams compete against each other on FlipGive to see who can raise the most money.
 - e. Secretary Larson stated that Eagan Basketball's donation request from the Eagan Hockey Association was approved and funds should be received.
- Basketball in Rwanda:
 - a. Christian Reyes, a former Eagan basketball player and current B71 coach, has a friend that is currently coaching in Rwanda. He is looking for donations of any old uniforms or equipment.
 - Director Redetzke stated there are old basketballs and uniforms in the shed available to donate.

- Other Business.
 - a. Reid Ouse, Catalyst Training, discussed the online zoom sessions he will be doing for players during the state mandated “pause.”

There was a motion to adjourn by President Fandre. The motion was seconded by Andy Meschke. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00. pm