

Oakdale Athletic Association

Meeting Minutes

November 7, 2012

The regular monthly meeting of the Oakdale Athletic Association Board of Directors was held at 8 PM on November 7, 2012 at Sgt. Pepper's in Oakdale.

Attendees

OAA Board of Directors:

Role	Name	Present	Role	Name	Present
President	Steve Adamsky	Yes	Basketball-GTravel	Frank Tschida	Yes
Vice President	Todd Thoms	Yes	Baseball K-B1	Steve Meyer	Yes*
Secretary	Tracey Murphy	No	Baseball B2-3	Greg Bearth	Yes
Treasurer	Dan Bushard	Yes	Baseball B4-12	Ron Loude	Yes
Flag Football	Eric Delacy	Yes	Baseball BTravel	Todd Klingsporn	Yes
Football	Cory Lynch	Yes	Lacrosse – Boys	Rick Dickinson	Yes
Football	Joe Schara	Yes	Lacrosse – Girls	Laurie Aaronson	Yes
Soccer K-2,B3-9	Erik Benson	Yes	Fastpitch Softball Rec & Travel	Charlie Ring	Yes
Soccer G3-9	Chris Holthe	Yes	Slowpitch Softball G1-2	Steve Meyer	*
Volleyball	Jennifer Bihner	Yes	Slowpitch Softball G3-4	Nina Nason	No
Basketball-Boys	Josen Brawk	Yes	Slowpitch Softball G5-6	Gary Masterman (temporary)	**
Basketball-Girls	Mark Lindner	No	Slowpitch Softball G7-10, U19	Gary Masterman	No **

Attendance = 18 of 22 current directors

Quorum (35% of 22 = 8) Satisfied

Guests: Mike Barrera (assisting secretary), Scott Elias from Choice Rewards

Old Business

- The costs for the transition to the new website and registration software were slightly higher than the number used for the authorizing motion at the September board meeting (Motion 2012-069). The Board amended Motion 2012-069 to increase the authorized expenditure up to \$2800 from \$2500.

Motion 2012-080: Amend Motion 2012-069 to authorize up to \$2800 (instead of previously approved \$2500 limit) for expenses associated with the transition to the Sports NGIN website and registration software. *[Motion by Meyer, second by Bearth. Passed without objection.]*

Review Minutes

- Since the draft September 2012 minutes were not discussed at the October meeting, the Board reviewed and then approved the draft September 2012 minutes.

Motion 2012-081: Approve September 2012 meeting minutes as written. *[Motion by Loude, second by Delacy. Passed without objection.]*

- The draft October 2012 minutes were reviewed. Some minor wording changes were made to the section for the Treasurer's report. The board approved the amended October 2012 minutes.

Motion 2012-082: Approve October 2012 meeting minutes as amended. *[Motion by Loude, second by Thoms. Passed without objection.]*

Treasurer Report

- Dan Bushard reported that financials were not yet available for October. Financials will be e-mailed to the board members. Hard copies for directors will be left at the OAA Shed once they are available.
- Dan Bushard brought up the topic of reducing the number of vendors that OAA uses. Currently each director chooses vendors independently with the result that OAA purchases equipment and uniforms from many different providers. OAA used approximately 26 different suppliers in the past year or so. Dan expressed concern that OAA was not leveraging its buying power with this fragmented approach. He also cited the large number of checks (and associated time) as an administrative burden. The Board discussed a proposal to have a committee of 4 board members choose between 1 and 5 preferred vendors for apparel purchases. Each sport director would prepare a "typical" uniform order. The committee would survey various vendors to determine their abilities to meet the collective needs of all the sports in terms of product, delivery, service, and price. After evaluating the responses, the committee would select the preferred vendors. All sports would need to use one of the preferred vendors starting with the 2013 spring sports. Discussion from the Board included concerns about service and the need for product continuity (e.g. traveling basketball uses uniforms over a multi-year period). A number of directors were concerned that OAA might be giving up flexibility to gain the leverage associated with larger purchases. The list of preferred vendors would be reviewed and updated periodically at the Board's discretion. The Board approved the following motion to establish a set of preferred vendors for apparel (uniforms):

Motion 2012-083: Each sport director shall provide a hypothetical Request for Quote (RFQ) for uniforms based on prior year purchases to a committee of 4 board members. This committee will evaluate potential vendors using the collected RFQ's and select a 1-5 vendors as "preferred vendors" for uniform purchases. Directors shall use one of the preferred vendors starting with the 2013 spring sports. *[Motion by Bushard, second by Schara. Motion Passed by a vote of 11 - 5.]*

Choice Rewards

- Scott Elias from Choice Rewards spoke to the Board. Choice Rewards is a rewards program that supports local non-profit organizations. Individuals designate a non-profit group, and a portion of their purchases at participating businesses goes to the non-profit group. The Choice Rewards website provides a list of approximately 20 participating businesses in the Metro area. Scott is trying to grow the number of participating retailers, especially in the East Metro. He presented a check to OAA for \$282.33 for Q3 2012.

OAA By-Laws Update

- Pursuant to Motion 2012-066 from the September Board Meeting, a Special Meeting of the General OAA Membership was held on October 10, 2012 at Skyview for approval of Amended OAA By-Laws. A summary of the meeting was provided by Mike Barrera. Attendance from the OAA membership was very low. The Amended By-Laws were ratified by a vote of 5-0 and are now in force.
- With the new By-Laws in place, the Board has the discretion to set the date of the monthly Board Meeting. The Board agreed to move the regular monthly meeting to the second (2nd) Wednesday of each month starting with the January 2013 meeting. This shift back 1 week will allow time for the completion of the previous month's financial reports in advance of the Board meeting. Meetings will continue to be held at 8 PM at Sgt. Pepper's in Oakdale.

Motion 2012-084: Move the regular monthly OAA Board Meeting to the second Wednesday of each month starting with the January 2013 meeting. Meeting time will continue to be 8 PM. *[Motion by Thoms, second by Bushard. Passed without objection.]*

Gambling Report

- Steve Adamsky reviewed the Gambling in Gary Masterman's absence. Adamsky presented the gambling reports for September 2012 actuals and October 2012 estimates.

Motion 2012-085: Approve the LG1004 September 2012 Actuals for Gambling. *[Motion by Benson, second by Bushard. Passed without objection.]*

Motion 2012-086: Approve the LG1004 October 2012 Projected Expenses for Gambling. *[Motion by Bearth, second by Thoms. Passed without objection.]*

- The annual renewal of the Gambling License is due.

Motion 2012-087: Approve payment of \$600 from the Gambling Fund for the Annual Gambling License. *[Motion by Benson, second by Loude. Passed without objection.]*

- The number of signatories on the bank account for the Gambling program was discussed. It was agreed that there should be back-ups to the Gambling manager.

Motion 2012-088: Establish Todd Thoms (Vice President) and Gary Masterman (Gambling Manager) as signatories on the Gambling Bank Account. Remove all other signatories (if any). *[Motion by Meyer, second by Klingsporn. Passed without objection.]*

Web Site Update

The new registration system is being implemented for basketball. There have been some transition issues with lots of parent questions as they have been a bit confused with the change. One of the directors commented that the training session was too fast-paced. Laurie Aaronson has been working with Josen Brawk to get Boys Basketball set up. Laurie mentioned that there is a significant learning curve, so she is recommending that spring directors work with her to let her do the initial web page set-

up. Spring directors are strongly encouraged to check out the new system prior to the start of their season preparations.

Batting Cage at Skyview

Steve Adamsky has been talking to the school district about the possibility of having a batting cage at Skyview Community School. The initial idea being considered would have 3 tunnels (fast pitch softball, machine pitch boys, coach pitch) located north of the tennis courts. Funding would be provided by some of the accumulated balance in the T-Ball account. The next steps are to finalize a location at Skyview and identify potential vendors to get a cost estimate. Board approval of the final plan would be required to proceed with the project.

Dick's Sports Interaction

There was a brief discussion about OAA's interactions with Dick's Sports. Dick's Sports has been a supporter of OAA for a number of years. It was mentioned that Dick's had approached OAA about a new arrangement with some type of contract. There were concerns about how OAA's non-profit status might affect or be affected by this proposal. The Board agreed to defer any action at this time on this matter.

Director Reports

- **Girls Traveling Basketball** – Frank Tschida reported that there will be 4 teams this year. There are getting the teams organized and waiting for gym time to be assigned.
- **Flag Football** – The season is done. There was another issue involving coaches and parents at the last game.
- **Soccer** – Erik Benson reported that the season is done. There were some issues with coaches and parents giving the refs a hard time.
- **Boys Traveling Baseball** – Todd Klingsporn is expecting ~11 teams for next year. They completed their first-ever fall try-outs, and have one last try-out slated for January. There are still some open slots at most grades.
- **Volleyball** – Tournaments are coming up and then the season will be done.
- **Lacrosse** – Some changes in age groups are expected to be announced by the governing body. OAA will make appropriate adjustments if necessary.
- **Tackle Football** – The season is done. There were issues at 7th – 8th grade as East Ridge has been pulling in kids from other localities to build their HS program. Joe Schara is expecting that the league will establish residency and territory rules (similar to some other sports).
- **Boys Basketball** – Josen Brawk reported that there are about 110 kids signed up with 10 teams. He has just held his coaches meeting. There is a TWolves Clinic scheduled for November 30th. The season will start December 1st. There is an OAA Night planned at a TWolves game on February 2nd, and Josen is trying to work something out for a Tartan Night on February 8th. Sports Authority was mentioned for its support of the basketball program. Josen also announced that this season (his 5th) will be his last as director for the boys in-house program.

Motion 2012-089: Authorize payment of up to \$200 from the Gambling Fund to cover gym fees for the Basketball Clinic with the TWolves if this expense is an acceptable type for use of gambling fund proceeds. *[Motion by Klingsporn, second by Benson. Passed without objection.]*

Registration

There was a brief discussion OAA's position regarding the payment of registration fees by check. To clarify the matter, the Board passed the following motion.

Motion 2012-090: Paper checks will only be accepted at In-Person Registration for payment in full. All other registrations and payments will be done electronically via the web site. *[Motion by Bushard, second by Klingsporn. Passed 15-1 (Meyer objected)]*

Nominations for OAA Board for 2013

Per the By-Laws, nominations for board positions are done at the November monthly meeting with the exception of the newly created Communications Officer position (which is an appointed position). The Communications Officer will be appointed at the January meeting. Interested individuals should contact the OAA President to be considered for the position.

Officers

President: Steve Adamsky
Secretary: Mike Barrera

Sport Directors

Fall Sports:

Co-Ed Soccer K-2: open
Soccer, Girls 3-9: Chris Holthe
Soccer, Boys 3-9: open
Flag Football: Eric Delacy
Tackle Football: Joe Schara
Volleyball, Girls: open

Winter Sports:

Basketball, Girls Traveling: John Cater
Basketball, Girls: Mark Lindner
Basketball, Boys: open

Spring Sports:

Baseball, T-Ball: Steve Meyer
Baseball, Coach Pitch: Steve Meyer
Baseball, Rookies 2-3: Greg Bearth
Baseball, Minors: Greg Bearth
Baseball, Majors: open
Baseball, Midgets: Greg Bearth
Baseball, Seniors: Greg Bearth
Baseball, Traveling: Todd Klingsporn
Lacrosse, Boys: open
Lacrosse, Girls: Laurie Aaronson
Softball, Rookies: Steve Meyer
Softball, C League: open
Softball, B League: open

Softball, A League:	Gary Masterman
Softball, AA League:	Gary Masterman
Softball, Seniors:	Gary Masterman
Softball, Fastpitch Traveling:	Charlie Ring
Softball, Fastpitch In-House:	Mike Head

There are no contested elections this year. The Board will need to find volunteers willing to fill the open director spots to ensure that these programs continue.

Adjournment

The meeting ended at 9:50 PM. A motion to adjourn passed without objection [**Motion 2012-091**, by *Holthe*, seconded by *Tschida*]. The next meeting will be at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, December 5, 2012 at Sgt. Pepper's. The formal election of board members will take place followed by the annual Holiday gathering.

Minutes submitted by:	Mike Barrera
Approved by:	OAA Board Motion 2012-092
Approved on:	December 5, 2012