

CAA Executive Board Meeting – February 9, 2026

Meeting attendees: Bill Kemble, Terre Kemble, Erik Lowe, John Hawley, Dave Erickson, Ryan Check

(Meeting called to order at 7:06pm)

Agenda

1. Program/Function Updates

a. Basketball – Erik

- i. Season winding down. Travel teams having good experiences at Brainerd overnight tournaments compared to recent years at Rochester, and are approaching state tournaments. Community and Development Leagues conclude in March. Successful season by all measures with minimal issues.
- ii. Travel tournament financials will be presented to basketball board at next meeting. Will continue to host joint boys & girls tournament on third weekend of December, using three sites CNHS, CHS and SWCHS. No wrestling conflicts at CNHS until 2032.
- iii. Will have some board member turnover this off-season.
- iv. Looking for more comprehensive and insightful post-season feedback from parents and coaches.

b. Diamond Sports – Ryan

- i. Registration open for Community Leagues through March 22.
- ii. Will be three main coordinators for uniforms going forward, with one as the lead contact for shared vendor Innovated Graphics.
- iii. Tacking on “capital fee” due at registration for future capital improvements. Exec BOD consensus is this works best if it is baked into the player registration fee. This strategy also helps us defer income outside of total annual revenue reported IRS to remain below audit threshold.
- iv. John – Lake Ann fields improvement project. Diamond Sports secured \$15K MN Twins grant, matched by CAA. Including the MBT and MYAS grants, there is now a total of \$47.5K for the project. City of Chan recently backed off contributing to the project this year, creating a \$38.5K shortfall for the project currently.
 1. John and Ryan support CAA contributing the additional \$38.5K so the project moves forward this year, and do not expect we could get much traction with the City by applying any kind of pressure via City Council or other City committees. Exec BOD voted to approve CAA contributing the additional \$38.5K.

c. Financials – John

- i. \$191,423.09 net income so far FY26.
- ii. We have seen improvement recently regarding our check request policies. Most requests are following proper approval and communication processes, with some exceptions in Basketball.
- iii. Diamond Sports fundraising efforts continue to be concerning because multiple groups do not follow policies. Possibly some parties are not aware of policies. Policies are in place in part to create equitable fundraising opportunities and

practices, and to avoid overlap between CAA groups. Also, some groups are not aware of allowable vs. unallowable expenses to be paid from fundraising dollars (i.e. no fundraising for equipment).

- iv. Terre – should we move some \$ out of our low-interest savings account, into a higher interest-bearing account such as a CD?
- d. CAA scholarships for local HS students
 - i. Exec BOD vote approved increase from \$750 to \$1000 per scholarship awarded.
 - ii. Currently award 8 scholarships to CNHS students, 4 girls and 4 boys.
 - iii. Terre action item to contact SWCHS and HFCHS to investigate potential CAA scholarship offers to their students.
- 2. “Complementary Ball” – will continue conversation via email to get ball(s) rolling on below initiatives, rather than tabling topics until next Exec BOD meeting.
 - a. Dave (see attached doc from Dave)
 - i. Storage
 - 1. Erik action item – determine actual Basketball teams equipment needs (number of balls/team?, etc.)
 - ii. Community Outreach
 - b. Bill
 - i. Storage
 - 1. Rates for Basketball at Public Storage have increased nearly 100% since moving in 5 years ago.
 - 2. Continue to purge old soccer gear and unnecessary basketball gear to determine square footage needs going forward, and be ready to move.
 - ii. How can we help send more girls basketball players to CNHS? Normally 4 teams 9/B/JV/V, but this season only 20 girls in entire CNHS program, so fielded just JV and V teams. While reduced participation seems to be statewide issue, a school of our size should have higher participation.
 - c. Erik
 - i. CAA Exec BOD members attend sport board meetings to help foster increased awareness and connectivity between the various groups. Bill will attend Basketball BOD meeting 2/15/26.
 - ii. New Chanhassen Community Center – current plan for 3 “sport courts” includes synthetic multipurpose floors. Cost to upgrade to wooden floors ~\$70K. CAA offer to partner with City of Chan to upgrade to wood?
 - d. John
 - i. Identify CAA Webmaster position (Exec BOD voting member or non-voting Key Contributor/project assignment?) to refresh website page presentation and update content as an ongoing duty.
 - e. Terre
 - i. Re-engage with John O’Sullivan of Changing the Game Project. Bill action item to reach out to John directly.
 - f. Ryan
 - i. Recommends post-season coaches appreciation events to recognize and thank coaches for their volunteer efforts, encouraging more engagement and

communication between CAA leaders and coaches, and promote continued volunteerism.

3. Next meeting TBD
4. Meeting adjourned 8:55pm