

# Oakdale Athletic Association

## Meeting Minutes

September 5, 2012

The regular monthly meeting of the Oakdale Athletic Association Board of Directors was called to order by Steve Adamsky at 8:00 PM on September 5, 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*(8:30)
Secretary	Tracey Murphy	Yes	Baseball B2-3	Greg Bearth	Yes
Treasurer	Dan Bushard	No	Baseball B4-12	Ron Loude	Yes
Flag Football	Eric Delacy	Yes	Baseball BTravel	Todd Klingsporn	Yes
Football	Cory Lynch	No	Lacrosse – Boys	Rick Dickinson	Yes
Football	Joe Schara	Yes	Lacrosse – Girls	Laurie Aaronson	Yes (8:30)
Soccer K-2,B3-9	Erik Benson	Yes	Fastpitch Softball Rec & Travel	Charlie Ring	Yes
Soccer G3-9	Chris Holte	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	Yes	Slowpitch Softball G7-10, U19	Gary Masterman	No **

Attendance = 18 of 22 current directors

Quorum (35% of 22 = 8) Satisfied

Guest: Mike Barrera (assisting secretary)

### Review Minutes

- The draft August 2012 minutes were reviewed and approved. Barrera will consolidate the notes taken by Thoms and Murphy into a single document [**Motion 2012-063**, by Klingsporn, second by Thoms; passed without objection].

### Treasurer Report

- Budgets were e-mailed to directors today by Bushard.
- The Board discussed the idea of consolidating the number of vendors used by the various sports to improve OAA's buying power. Adamsky reported that Bushard (absent) was interested in this approach and had heard about an outfit ("Big Team Sales"??) that might be a possible one-stop shop for all of OAA. There was not a clear consensus from the Board with some members concerned that a firm mandate would not be desirable. There was not a strong interest in having a vendor presentation at this time to further explore this approach.

### Gambling Report

- Steve Adamsky reviewed the Gambling in Gary Masterman's absence. Adamsky presented two special funding requests, which were reviewed and approved by the Board.

**Motion 2012-064:** Approve disbursement of \$5600 from the Gambling Fund to Mahoney – Ulrich for completing Annual Audit. *[Motion by Benson, second by Bearth. Passed without objection.]*

**Motion 2012-065:** Approve disbursement of \$250 from the Gambling Fund to ACM (Minnesota Charitable Gaming Association). *[Motion by Tschida, second by Ring. Passed without objection.]*

- Adamsky presented the gambling reports for July 2012 actuals and August 2012 estimates.

**Motion 2012-067:** Approve the LG1004 July 2012 Actuals for Gambling. *[Motion by Thoms, second by Tschida. Passed without objection.]*

**Motion 2012-068:** Approve the LG1004 August 2012 Projected Expenses for Gambling. *[Motion by Meyer, second by Benson. Passed without objection.]*

- Masterman is looking for items (such as gift cards, gift certificates, etc.) to give away for OAA's New Year's Bar Bingo. Contact Masterman if anyone has ideas or leads.

### **OAA By-Laws Update**

The Board has been working on updating the OAA By-Laws to enable some structural changes (such as creating a Communication Officer position) and to provide greater flexibility to Board operations (such as moving the monthly meeting date back to enable financials to be completed prior to the meeting). The Board's plan has been to complete a comprehensive revision of the existing By-Laws. The new version would be submitted to an up or down vote of the OAA Membership at a special meeting called for this purpose. If approved, the new version would replace the current by-laws in its entirety.

A small working group met in August at the OAA Shed to complete revisions that had been begun in earlier OAA Board Meetings. The revised By-Laws were then sent out by Adamsky for review by the Board in advance of the September Monthly Meeting. There were no major concerns with the revised version raised during the discussion in the September Meeting. The Board approved a motion to submit the Amended By-Laws to the OAA Membership for approval.

- **Motion 2012-066:** Call a Special Meeting of the General OAA Membership for 7:30 PM on October 10, 2012 at Skyview for approval of the Amended OAA By-Laws. *[Motion by Loude, second by Klingsporn. Passed without objection.]*

Notice of the Special Meeting will be posted on the OAA web site with a copy of the Amended By-Laws.

### **Secretary Report**

Tracey Murphy discussed the option of switching the current website and registration software providers with Sports NGIN. In general, the NGIN option would provide several benefits over the current system, including a modest fee savings in the long run, the incorporation of a background check feature with the software, various tasks (set-up, fee collection, etc.) that would be done by Sports NGIN to reduce the load on OAA, and the fact that other associations in the area also use this system. The new provider is a locally based outfit. With set-up activities done by the vendor, there is less system specific knowledge required of the OAA web administrator, which would simplify succession planning

for OAA. If each league is set up as a separate registration “event”, then registration fees would be segregated between the various league accounts and eliminate a manual reconciliation step by OAA. One disadvantage of the new system is that all refunds would need to be done by check as opposed to reversing a credit card payment. Refund checks would create a manual task for OAA (estimate ~100 refunds per year typically). Although OAA would retain its OAAonline.com domain name, OAA would need a new e-mail system if the switch is made.

Tracey Murphy and Laurie Aaronson have agreed to partner to implement the new system if the Board decides to make the switch. The transition is estimated to take about 2 weeks to complete. The new system would need to be in place for basketball registration. The current system will be maintained until the new system is proven out. It was noted that rolling out the new system for the winter season (which is the smallest) would be wise in case any unexpected issues were to be encountered. The Board approved a motion to initiate the change.

- **Motion 2012-069:** Switch from League USA and Sports Sign-up to Sport NGIN for website and registration software. Approve up to \$2500 for transition costs to implement the new system. Submit supporting invoices to Treasurer for payments. *[Motion by Loude, second by Meyer. Passed without objection.]*

It was suggested that a notice be placed on the OAA web site to inform members that a new “look” for the system is coming.

There was a brief discussion about setting up a Facebook site for OAA. Laurie Aaronson has volunteered to set one up for OAA as a non-profit group. There would be no cost associated with this effort. There were no objections to this approach from the Board, so Aaronson will proceed.

### **Director Reports**

- **Girls Traveling Basketball** – Frank Tschida presented the budget for the 2012-13 season. The Board approved the proposed budget.  
**Motion 2012-070:** Approve the 2013-14 Traveling Girls Basketball budget. *[Motion by Meyer, second by Ring. Passed without objection.]*
- **Flag Football** – Eric Delacy reported that the season is going well so far. Flag tournament is this coming weekend.
- **Volleyball** – Jennifer Bihner reported that all teams are full.
- **Boys Lacrosse** – Rick Dickinson reported that Lacrosse is going okay. Tartan HS is planning to have varsity lacrosse for both boys and girls.
- **Girls Soccer** – Chris Holte reported that the season is underway with games starting this weekend.
- **Boys Traveling Baseball** – Todd Klingsporn said that try-outs for the 2013 season will be moved to the fall. There have too many conflicts with basketball and hockey with try-outs in winter or early spring. A fall date also enables outdoor try-outs.
- **Girls Fastpitch Softball** – Charlie Ring said that U16 Traveling Fastpitch will hold try-outs this fall for the 2013 season.

- **Boys In-House Baseball** – Ron Loude will not serve as director for Majors next year. He would like to step down as Minors Director also, but he would at least consider that one. The Minors merger with North St Paul seemed to go okay this year with few complaints.
- **Girls In-House Basketball** – Mark Lindner presented the budget for Girls In-House Basketball. He is estimating approximately 50 girls this season. Although he will need to make some minor adjustments for the General Fund transfer amounts, the Board approved the proposed budget.  
**Motion 2012-071:** Approve the 2012-13 Girls In-House Basketball budget. *[Motion by Benson, second by Thoms. Passed with no objections.]*
- **Boys In-House Basketball** – Josen Brawk presented the budget for the 2012-13 season, which the Board approved. He is projecting about 100 boys in the program this year. Brawk also announced that this season will be his last one as director as he will not be seeking re-election this December.  
**Motion 2012-072:** Approve the 2012-13 Boys In-House Basketball budget. *[Motion by Delacy, second by Thoms. Passed with no objections.]*
- **Boys Soccer** – Erik Benson mentioned that pictures are scheduled for September 13<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. Games are getting underway this coming weekend. The older players (7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> grade) will be playing in a Woodbury Jamboree this fall.

### Miscellaneous

- Baseball is looking to use Northdale a few nights a week this fall. However, soccer is already using the fields and there would be conflicts.
- The new lock boxes that were purchased have been moved from the OAA Shed to Oakdale Public Works to free up some space at the shed. Installation at the fields will occur when resources at Public Works are available.
- Frank Tschida relayed the message that the City would like us to look at using some of the smaller fields for soccer and football for the younger kids.
- The City has enacted a new policy and will start charging a field use fee for tournaments that charge admission or are income-producing events.

### Adjournment

The meeting ended at 9:26 PM. A motion to adjourn passed without objection *[Motion 2012-073, by Klingsporn, seconded by Ring]*. The next general meeting will be at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, October 3, 2012 at Sgt. Pepper's.

Minutes submitted by: Mike Barrera

Approved by: OAA Board Motion 2012-081

Approved on: November 7, 2012