

ELK RIVER GIRLS YOUTH BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** July 15, 2019

**TIME:** 6:30 pm

**PLACE:** Elk River Golf Club

**Presiding:** Becky Langley

**Members Present:** Mary Kangas Brad Wozney Willy Weicht  
Caleb Hansen Sara Hoheisel Chad Voit  
Mike Olofson Dave Nordmeier Heather Clarke  
Christine Zimski Jessica Shafer  
Monique Antony-Peterson

**Members Absent:** Travis Johnson, Tiffany Brynteson

**Non-Members Present:** N/A

**Minutes**

Review of June minutes. Mary discussed May minutes and that she inadvertently omitted the motion made by Caleb and seconded by Chad to approve the May treasurer report.

**Caleb made a motion to approve June minutes and the amended May minutes. Christine seconded. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.**

**Treasurer Report**

Willy provided the account transaction report for the month of June. ERGYB received a \$1600 refund from the Rochester girls youth basketball program as a result of Sunday games being canceled at their tournament in February. Willy also noted that he is now using QuickBooks at a cost of \$50/year compared to the old software, which was a \$30/month expense.

**Caleb motioned to approve the Treasurer Report. Sara seconded. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.**

**President Update/Executive Committee**

None

## New Business

- 1. Uniform & Equipment Update:** Brad circulated examples of travel uniforms from Signature Concepts. One set was heat press and the other was sublimated. The sublimated style would increase the uniform package from \$75 to \$90. Overall, board members preferred the sublimated style. Monique would like to get a second quote and look into options offered by R & D sales. She will contact Brad within a few days with quotes from R & D. Brad also provided examples of shooter shirts. Collectively, the preferred shooter shirt was the less expensive option. Board members discussed the possibility and cost of offering a discounted shooter shirt to all travel players. Brad and Monique will get final pricing on all items. Board will vote on possible discounts at that time.
- 2. In-House Update:** Jessica explained that Rogers is no longer hosting a 5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> grade In-House league. They are sending teams to play in the Northwest Metro League based out of Maple Grove. Therefore, our 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade teams no longer have a league to play in. Chad provided more information about the Northwest Metro League. There are three divisions: 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade, 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade, and 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade. The registration fee is \$525 per team. Games are in Maple Grove, Osseo and Brooklyn Park on Saturdays. The Northwest Metro season starts later than our 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grade teams. Board agreed that the Northwest Metro League is the best option to send our ERGYB in-house teams in this age group. Board broke down costs for this league including team fees, uniform costs and gym time.

**Chad made a motion to increase the registration fee for 5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> grade in-house players to \$125 early bird/\$150 after early bird expires. Dave seconded. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.**

- 3. Open Gym/Training Sessions:** Caleb introduced the idea of having training sessions prior to travel tryouts for travel players in 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade. He has been in contact with Brian Ammann of the Minnesota School of Basketball. Brian agreed to facilitate these training sessions on six dates in August. Players would be split into two sessions: 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> graders from 4:00pm-5:15pm, 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> graders from 5:15pm-6:30pm. Cost of this training would be \$75 plus \$5 Sports Engine fee for a total of \$80 per player. Caleb also discussed an option to offer a free open gym opportunity immediately following the second session until 8pm. If approved, Caleb suggested ERGYB pay for the gym space for both the training and open gym sessions.

**Christine made a motion to approve the cost of gym space for pre-tryout training and open gym sessions not to exceed \$1500. Sara seconded. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.**

- 4. Registrations:** Mike will open 5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade in-house registration when he receives all necessary information about the league from Chad and Jessica. All other house and travel player registrations are open.

5. **Parade:** Dave provided parade information. Willy, Sara, Jessica, Monique and Christine will attend. The boys program will be handing out candy and ERGYB will hand out water. Becky will pick up water and get it to Willy.
6. **Volunteer Gift Cards:** Becky explained gift cards were not distributed to two key volunteers that went above and beyond their required hours during the ERGYB travel tournament. Willy will purchase the two gift cards and distribute them as soon as possible.
7. **Travel Tryouts:** Sara confirmed travel tryout dates as follows: Sept. 3 = 8<sup>th</sup> Grade, Sept 5 = 7<sup>th</sup> Grade, Sept 10 = 6<sup>th</sup> Grade, Sept 12 = 5<sup>th</sup> Grade. She will need help from board members each night of tryouts.
8. **Midwest 3 on 3 MEA Clinic:** Caleb confirmed ERGYB will host a Midwest 3 on 3 MEA skills clinic on Saturday October 19. ERGYB will pay for gym space. About 15% of the registration fees will go back to ERGYB.
9. **Elk River Tournament Update:** Chad explained that some associations are considering changing their tournament fee structure by increasing tourney fees and eliminating gate fees. This is similar to the structure used at the Rochester tournament. Board members will monitor other tournaments this year and discuss possible changes for next year at the end of the season.

**A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:10pm by Caleb and seconded by Dave. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.**

Mary Kangas, Secretary  
Elk River Girls Youth Basketball