

**Watertown-Mayer
Youth Basketball Association**
Meeting Luce Line Lodge 7:00pm
Date: August 11th 2019

Meeting Agenda

Old Business: Meeting minutes adopted and approved from Sunday, April 14, 2019

New Business:

- Try-out dates discussion with Varsity/JV Coaches all subject to registration, based on the numbers from last year.
 - a) 6th Grade Boys (15)
 - b) 7th Grade Boys (17)
 - c) 8th Grade Girls (16 but some will most likely be pulled up)

- ALL TRYOUTS held at HS Auxiliary Gymnasium.

Mini Camp dates set discussion with Varsity/JV Coaches

- Girls Grades 3-7 (Jodene) in the Auxiliary gym Monday nights from 7:00 to 8:00pm, starting Monday, September 9 until the beginning of the basketball season.

- Boys camp discussion at meeting. **Camps will be mid-September in the Auxiliary Gym and occur for three consecutive weeks.**

Coaches Update to WMYBA Goals

When we met a year ago, the goal for WMYBA were:

- Varsity coaching staff would like to see the WMYBA keep youth play light. Coaches want to see the kids have fun & move into the high school playing years with that attitude, we want to eliminate burnout from being pushed. This approach would hopefully keep more kids around to play the game as they get older.
- Principles at a youth level into high school play
- As players exit WMYBA and move in to 9th Grade/high school level, coaches expectations are for players to know all positions and be versatile in these spots. Understand ball screens, how to post up, play defense, and understand ball pressure, with an understanding of man defense.
- **Both varsity coaches agree to maintain current principles.**

Donation Request

- Donation request made by Head Varsity Boys Basketball Coach, Kent Janikula, to provide donation for new uniforms. Typically, uniforms last 3 to 4 seasons and this upcoming season will be season 4. The request would be for the 2020-2021 season. Is this something we've donated to in the past and

would this come from the coaches account? **Boys varsity is looking for about \$2,500.00 to the 2020-2021 season for new uniforms.**

Tournament Dates

- Last year the Girls tournament was on Saturday, January 19. We have a proposed date of mid-December. This would leave December 7th, December 14th or December 21st. Discussion. **Dave will send an email to girls coaches getting opinions on Sunday tournament.**
- Last year the Boys Tournament was on Saturday and Sunday, March 2 & 3. This is the weekend prior to Grade State. The same weekend this year would be March 7 & 8, discuss and vote on date. **Board voted unanimously upon dates of March 7 and 8 for boys tournament. Dave O. will check on facility availability.**
- Once the date is established, do we wish to include 3rd Graders? Discussion. **Wait to see what registration numbers look like for the girls tournament.**

Financial Review:

Kevin Schroeder

Coaches Clinic

- If we are not able to have a formal ‘clinic’, we need additional attention to this area at our coaches meeting. Should we include the Varsity/JV coaches to assist with this? Adam, thoughts? **Jeff O. will look for a video to post on shooting form.**

K-3

- Mike are we happy with the timeframe on Saturdays? We have discussed moving the K-3 Saturday practice to the Middle School gym. Do we need to discuss this further? **No further discussion on this topic.**
- Other concerns?

2019-2020 Registration

- WMYBA Registration dates will be any time in August but officially September 1, 2019, closes on October 1. Anything additional, Gordon?
- Kevin would you post signs in school parking lots the week prior to? **Kevin S. has the signs to be displayed.**

Website updates - Gordon

- Registration and tournament fees are updated.
- In process of adding the storefront from our apparel provider. **Andy J. will provide an update regarding information from apparel provider.**

Uniforms and Equipment

- Incoming 4th Graders will have to purchase uniforms for this season, uniforms will be reversible jersey, and shorts. **Andy J. will set up a time for a meeting regarding apparel.**
- The board needs to vote if we wish to contribute \$20 to the cost of the uniforms as we did when we started the new uniform policy. **Board unanimously votes yes, this will continue. Players will be able to try on uniforms for sizing at Country Side Apparel in Waconia. If you need an additional uniform, you will pay the full price.**
- WYMBA also will need to acquire blood jerseys for the upcoming 4th grade teams and consider the uniform numbers not to match the incoming 5th graders numbers. **Board agrees.**

Coaches Meeting

- Sunday, October 6th @ 6:30pm does this time work for everyone? Location: Middle School Media Center
- Dave, Gordon & Adam will present to coaches.
- I have attached a 'Coaches Checklist' sheet. Each coach has to check the boxes and sign the sheet to make sure they complete the background check, concussion training, read sexual abuse policy, etc. This is a compliance document. Thoughts? **Board agrees.**

Third Grade

- As voted on last year, each 3rd grade team can sign up for 2 Waconia league Saturdays. The registration fee of \$80 will cover the extra practice and league play. **Board agrees.**
- We will go over details during the coaches meeting for 3rd grade coaches. **Board agrees.**
- Allow more practice time for 3rd grade and make weeknights available as well. **Discuss with 3rd grade coaches regarding more weeknight and Saturday practices.**

- We need a different option for a ‘jersey’ for 3rd. Last year officials had a hard time distinguishing numbers because they were only on the back. Andy thoughts? **Board agrees that re-design of jersey is necessary to have number on the front and back of jersey.**

WMYBA Open Volunteer Positions

- Dibs Coordinator, thoughts and ideas? Options outside of Dibs? **Talked about adding a board position for Dibs. Jeff O. is willing to fill this position if no other volunteers.**

Attorney

- Thomas Larkin is no longer able to represent our association. I’ve reached out to Pat Neaton with no response. Do I need to pursue this? **Dave O. will email Pat Neaton and follow up again.**

MYAS changes for the 2019-2020 season

- Waconia League grades 3 & 4 will switch to 27.5” balls. Andy Johnsrud has ordered from last year. We should double check registration number from last year.
- I emailed MYAS on hosting Grade State tournament, waiting for response.
- MYAS Winter Travel Pre-Meetings are in August, see details below and check your schedules if you are available to attend. No RSVP required.

Date: Wednesday, August 7th

Time: 6:30 to 8:00pm

Location: Fridley High School

Auditorium (Enter Door 12), 6000 West

Moore Lake Dr. NE, Fridley, MN. 55432

Date: Wednesday, August 14th

Time: 6:30 to 8:00pm

Location: Edina High School Room

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6754 Valley View Rd, Edina, MN 55439

Al Barfknecht

- Al would you like to provide a clinic on refereeing again this year? Let us know how we can help. **Dave O. continue to reach out to Al.**

Policy Manual Changes

- Starting when scrimmages or games begin offense and inbound plays need to be standardized. This goes from 3rd grade on up. Players go back and forth between teams, each grade should have the same offense, this should be seamless between teams. Discussion and vote. **Some discussion was had regarding inbound plays.**
- Other items are minor.

- Other updates needed for the Manual.

Action Items for next meeting Registration will be open.

Additional board items for discussion

Next meeting Sunday, September 08, 2019 @ Luce Line Lodge – 7:00pm