



## HRBBA Board Meeting Notes

Oct. 16, 2022

**Members present:** Amanda MacPhail, Matt Dalle, Tony Amelse, Maggie Niska, Nate Laible, Andrew Wright, Eric Hudson, Jeff Radel, Todd Kraft

**Members absent:** Chris Long, Tim Hoffman

### President Report

- Motion to approve September Board Minutes. Motion passes.
- Several people have expressed interest in open board positions. Matt will follow up separately and we will vote at the next board meeting.
- Feedback from evaluation day:
  - **Scrimmages and drills:** Consider switching kids around during scrimmage to see more kids with the ball; look into a drill that's more center-focused (most drills are guard friendly).
  - Some coaches asked to see a photo of all players at one time vs. individual pictures.
  - **Match-ups:** Consider matching up kids by position (e.g., centers, guards, etc.) Confirmed that we will not match up kids based on their scores on the drills.
  - **Walk up registrations:** Although we said no walk-up registrations, we allowed a few to ensure more kids had an opportunity to try out. More than 1-2 per grade is challenging with paperwork required for new MYAS eligibility guidelines. All players who were selected for teams were fully registered and had submitted necessary paperwork by 30 min. prior to team selection on Sunday.
  - **Online data collection** was much better than paper-based. Andrew had a lot of up front work/convos but it was necessary to ensure everyone was eligible by selection Sunday.
  - **Parent Meeting:** Although there have been 130 views on the parent meeting video, Matt received a lot of questions from new families. Next year, will do a mandatory parent meeting for the 3rd/4th grade parents on Saturday during evaluations.
- Motion to modify Guideline #6 Playing Time language to simplify for coaches. Motion passes.
  - Action item: Chris to share with coaches; Amanda to update on website.

## **Guideline #6 – Playing Time**

- Playing time guidelines apply to players who are in good standing. Players who miss practice or are determined to be disruptive at practice may not receive the minimum playing time as prescribed in this guideline.
- HRBBA is a developmental association, so these guidelines are meant to help coaches with that mission. Guidelines are designed to be applied for each game. We understand that on occasion, circumstances (injuries, etc.) may dictate that some players may receive more or less playing time during a specific game. In those circumstances, coaches should make the necessary adjustments to meet the playing time requirements over the course of a tournament.
- For grades 4 through 6, all players should play a minimum of 50% of the minutes available during each game of a tournament. Coach has discretion in the last 2 minutes of the game but should factor this into the overall playing time.
- For grades 7 and 8, all players should play a minimum of 25% of the minutes available during each game of a tournament.

## **Treasurer Report**

- Action items:
  - Tim to let Matt know status of payment to Trusted Coaches
  - Tim to let Amanda know the status of sponsorship payments (Pella, Elks Lodge, Schullers, Hopkins Honda, Lake Minnetonka Orthodontics).

## **Registration Director Report**

- **Registrations:**
  - 153 total registrations—a new record. Some dropped out before tryouts and a lot came in during the last 48 hours before tryouts. Closing registration a week before try-outs was necessary due to the amount of back-and-forth to help families submit the correct paperwork and generate discount codes for families who qualify for free and reduced lunch.
  - Email blasts were a driver of registrations.
  - We remained flexible with families who did not pre-register, but remained firm that all players must be registered with eligibility paperwork submitted prior to team selection.
  - Next year, may investigate leveraging a wait list, similar to HGBA, to ensure equitable access.
- **Registration Fees:**
  - Second payments will be charged on 11/7. Andrew will follow up with families if payment does not go through. Any player not paid in full will not be able to play in the first tournament.

- Next year, will advertise Achieving Dreams, a MN non-profit that helps families with sports fees (<https://achievingdreamsmn.org/>)
- **Documentation:**
  - Sports Engine automatically deletes all docs after 180 days, which is before the State Tourney when MYAS requires associations to be able to show birth certificates or school enrollment verification if asked.
  - Starting next year, we will ask all families to upload birth certificates every year in addition to school enrollment documentation to avoid having to store sensitive information beyond the State Tournament.
- **Action items:**
  - Andrew will ask SportsEngine to extend their storage time from 180 days to 200 days (or past March 12).
  - New webmaster will investigate a secure, low-cost storage solution.
  - Matt to get binder from Chris.

**Player Development Report:** N/a

### **Coaching + Equipment Report**

- Coaching clinic went great! Good attendance. Talked about philosophy, sportsmanship and held a mock practice after the meeting. Treyvon did a great job of running the drills.
- Chris ordered smaller balls for 4C Gold. Equipment was handed out to coaches at clinic.
- Action item: Matt to find out how to access old HRBBA Google Drive with practice plans, drills, etc.

### **External Tournament Update**

- 4C Gold are registered for 6 tourneys at the 4C level and 2 tourneys at the 3rd grade level.
- We will decline Eagle Ridge mini league opportunity, but may pursue co-practice/scrimmage option.
- We will not be able to flex teams around levels at external tourneys during the season.
- We are starting to create good reciprocal relationships with other Lake Conference teams and other associations who send teams to our tournament.

### **Communications Update**

- Nate added link to parent meeting video to homepage of HRBBA website. Lots of people are clicking on the link but aren't watching the whole video.

### **Facilities Update**

- November schedule is almost set. Gym space is tight. We do not get preferential treatment. Will pursue other gym space (Hopkins Activity Center, 43 Hoops) if space gets really tight. Will also explore Friday night practices.
- **Action Items:**
  - Matt to ask coaches how late they'd be willing to practice on a Friday.

- Jeff to schedule Open Gyms on non-tourney dates (either Saturdays 8-10 a.m. or Sunday evenings 6-8 p.m.)

### Uniform Update

- 3rd and 4th grade uniforms have been ordered (plus new players). Should be here by first tourney.
- Replacement orders: people should not order by phone! Will default to Small.
- Vendor can't source hoodie shooting shirts. Eric investigating using another vendor or moving forward with black crew neck shooting shirts.
- Action Items:
  - Nate will send out a clarification plus note that that explains the expectation that returning players need to reuse or reorder their own.
  - Eric will clarify that vendor gives kids their old number.
  - Eric will distribute extra jerseys as contingency plan.
  - Eric will open spirit store soon.

### Royal Rumble Update

- We have 129 teams registered right now. Registration is officially closed but we are hoping to even out brackets in a couple of divisions.

### Hopkins Royal Rumble Captains

Tourney Director	Tony Amelse
Facility Owner/Scheduling Captain	Jeff Radel
Site Director HHS	Saturday: TBD Sunday: TBD
Site Director NJH	Saturday: TBD Sunday: TBD
Site Director Tanglen	Saturday: TBD Sunday: TBD
Site Director IKE (if needed)	Saturday: TBD Sunday: TBD
Volunteer Captain (Schedule & Approach)	Amanda Kriz
Concessions Captain	Amanda MacPhail
Trophies/swag	tbd
Finances/Cash Box Captain	Tim Hoffman
Set Up/Take Down Plan Captain (secure	Chris Long & Tony Amelse

containers w/ tourney signage, tape, printing out score cards, securing tables, scoreboards, chairs, EMT supplies, etc.)	
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### **HRBBA Night at HHS Varsity Game**

- Action item: Matt to reach out to the Varsity staff to plan HRBBA Night at a HHS Varsity game.