



# MGBA Board Minutes

## July 10, 2025

Minnetonka Girls Basketball Association

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Time	Agenda Item	
6:30 pm	Call to Order - Doug Espenson	
6:30 pm	Approval of June 18, 2025 Meeting Minutes  Motion passed unanimously.	
6:30 pm	<b>General Discussion</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Secretary Goal: Clean up MGBA Bylaws and present to Board at an upcoming meeting</li><li>- Reserved the Writing Center for the second Thursday of every month through May, 2026</li><li>- Jill Vinge drafting Code of Conduct to send to Josh Jansen and Matt Buehler for review<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Board will review and approve in advance</li><li>- Code of Conduct will be presented during registration, and parents will have to sign acknowledging they have read the same</li></ul></li></ul>	<b>TO DO:</b>

<p><b>Evaluations Discussion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Advertising for evaluations: Peachjar, signs at elementary schools</li> <li>- Open registration on August 1 and give early bird discount through August</li> <li>- Evaluation dates: September 13-16 and 18 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Amanda Kieper secured gym space</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Teams announced: September 19</li> <li>- Coach Dre has some ideas on scores and rankings, to be flushed out more with him soon</li> </ul>	<p><b>TO DO:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Find and inventory pinnies</li> <li>- Determine which dates/times apply to which grades</li> <li>- Announce evaluation dates/times when determined</li> </ul>
<p><b>Volunteer Discussion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Should we use dibs on Sports Engine for volunteer shifts? Amanda Kieper is looking into this</li> <li>- Offer a buyout for volunteer shifts? \$250</li> <li>- Exceptions to volunteer requirements: head coach, board members, assistant coaches, team managers??</li> <li>- Need volunteers to put inserts into trophies in storage</li> </ul>	<p><b>TO DO:</b></p>
<p><b>Treasurer Report - Andy Gilles</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- FY June 1, 2024 - May 31, 2025 wrap up</li> <li>- FY June 1, 2025 - May 31, 2026 budget proposal</li> <li>- Charge \$400 for third grade: Andy will look at cost of doing five or six tournaments for 3-1</li> <li>- Goal: two paid coaches for 6th, 7th and 8th grades</li> </ul>	<p><b>TO DO:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Send emails to Andy for MYAS registration</li> </ul>

<p><b>High School Report - Coach Dre Jefferson</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Coach Dre will run a pre-tryout clinic the week before tryouts</li> <li>- Coach Dre has early skills sessions offered beginning September 20</li> <li>- Planned coaches clinic, especially with coaches for grades 6-8 to transition their players to HS ball (concepts and practice drills)</li> <li>- Starting in November, HS players will be assigned to teams and will each attend two practices and one tournament</li> <li>- Recognition nights whenever a travel team wins a tournament championship at any level (halftime of home games)</li> <li>- HS girls breakdown Sundays: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Premier League, Sept. 21 and 28</li> <li>- Four Week League, Oct. 12, 19 and 26 and Nov. 2</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>TO DO:</b></p>
<p><b>In-Season Training Plan Discussion - Cole Dixon</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- September 11 reserved for pre-tryout player clinic with Coach Dre</li> <li>- Coach Dre would like to set up five training days with the travel teams, envisioning group sessions that would be open to all teams and scheduled by age group, beginning September 20</li> <li>- Two open gyms: first and second week of school, staffed by Cole Dixon with last year's coaches</li> </ul>	<p><b>TO DO:</b></p>

<p><b>Committees Discussion - Amanda Kieper</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Season Tournament Registration/Association Liaisons</li> <li>- Player Development</li> <li>- Evaluations</li> <li>- Snow Globe Tournament/State Tournament</li> <li>- Marketing/Communications</li> <li>- Special Events</li> <li>- Fundraising</li> <li>- Amanda will email those that had interest in a committee to see who wants to lead</li> <li>- Thinking about a one-hour board meeting in August, followed by a 30-minute committee breakout (at least for those with important action items going into registration/evaluations)</li> </ul>	<p><b>TO DO:</b></p>
<p><b>Snow Globe Update - Jill Vinge and Rebecca Pederson</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reserved the same trainers and officials as last year. Provided feedback from our debriefing last year as well. Rates have increased accordingly: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Trainers: \$43/hour (from \$42/hour last year). There's a \$12 service fee if we ask them to bring their own ice - we'll explore this as it nears if we have to use other sites such as elementary schools or middle schools (Jill will ask whether middle schools have own ice).</li> <li>- Referees: \$72/game (from \$67/game last year). The POC reports that the spring rates for MYAS and AAU tournaments are</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>TO DO:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reserve Scenic Heights and Clear Springs for Friday night, as well</li> </ul>

\$75/game, so in order to stay competitive and keep highly qualified officials, they needed to raise their pay.

- Confirmed concessions for MHS on Saturday and Sunday
- Gym space has been confirmed – waiting on the official permits and contracts but timing should look roughly like this:
  - Minnetonka High School:
    - Saturday, December 6th: 7am-10pm (5 gyms)
    - Sunday, December 7th: 7am-7pm (5 gyms)
  - Minnetonka Middle School East:
    - Friday, December 5th: 5pm-10pm (2 gyms)
  - Minnetonka Middle School West
    - Friday, December 5th: 5pm-10pm (2 gyms)
  - Southwest Christian High School:
    - Friday, December 5th: 6pm-10pm (5 gyms)
    - Saturday, December 6th: 8am-9pm (5 gyms)
    - Sunday, December 7th: 12pm-9pm (5 gyms)
- To do once workgroup is formed:
  - Reserve blow-up snow globes for MHS and SWC
  - Trophy order
  - Likely to assemble them ourselves this year

	<p><b>Marketing/Events Update</b> - Meg Montgomery and Josh Jansen</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Tuesday, September 30:</b> travel kickoff night with everyone and Coach Dre (HS cafeteria) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Coaches: 6:00p-6:45p for equipment handout</li> <li>- Everyone: 7:00p-8:00p</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Begin PCA planning</li> <li>- Timberwolves and Lady Gophers game nights</li> </ul>	<p><b>TO DO:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Make sure cafeteria is reserved for kickoff night</li> </ul>
8:00 pm	<b>Adjourn</b>	

Next Meeting: August 14, 2025, at 6:30 pm in MHS Writing Center