



HRBBA Board Meeting Minutes

Aug. 10, 2025

Meeting Attendance

- **Members present:** Sara Mausser, Amanda MacPhail, Robyn Sacia, Sean Smith, Bobby Ciatti, Jeff Radel, Dan Semelhack, Andy Rayle, Andrew Wright, Leif Swenson
- **Members absent:** Todd Kraft, Tim Hoffman, Naomi Kaye

President Report

- Motion to approve of June Board Minutes. Motion approved.
- Motion to approve Bobby Ciatti as Coaching Director. Motion approved.
 - Bobby to discuss coach list with Chris and approach to paid coaches.

Registration Director

- Tryouts: Sept 13-14 at North Middle School
- Online registration has been updated and is ready to open on Monday. Added a statement about photo/social media consent. Price increase \$25/level. 3rd grade registration similar to last year—all 3rd graders opt in to tourney team, pay flat fee, invoice tourney team players for additional \$150. 1 tourney team, 2 MYAS league teams. Smaller registration window; should do a lot of comms between now and Sept. 13. Sara/Andrew to discuss process for managing waiver process. Quicker comms is better given earlier tryouts. Andrew to set up Google drive for transfer forms. Request to register player to make sure system works before mass distro. Note one grandfather change for transfers - only 1 grades 3-5.
- Tryouts will run same way as past years (skills Saturday, scrimmage Sunday)
- Need to communicate in parent meeting that HRBBA is priority over church/school league
- Marketing plan: Lawn signs (Sara to look in storage closet for new signs), email blasts (Monday), social media (geo targeted \$150 budget Facebook ad approved). Decided to pass on Tanglen Open House since the date is after our rosters are released.
- Reminder: MSHSL Eligibility Rule Change 2025-26 School Year
 - 7th & 8th graders will no longer be able to dual roster on a High School basketball team and an organized youth team (MYAS, middle school team, etc.)
 - MYAS guidance: <https://www.myas.org/mybarosters>
 - Motion to update reimbursement policy: Players who are placed on a high school team may apply for a partial refund of their registration fees, less \$150 for uniforms and tournament fees, on request. Motion passes.
 - Bobby confirmed Coach Ware and Coach Harris will attend Open Gyms and tryouts.

- Process if roster dips below 8 players - will need to keep discussing as interest becomes apparent.

Facilities Director

- Practice dates requested.
- Open Gyms: Aug. 16, 23, 30, Sept. 6 NMS Activity Structure open (10-noon) - need 1 board member to staff for sure, would take more.
- Jeff will investigate space to determine practice start date and cadence by grade (eg possibly starting week of Sept. 29).

Player Development Director

- 10k Shot Club ends in September. Will recognize at End of Year Celebration.
- Southwest League - \$8980 profit. Andy recommending keeping the fees the same for 2025-26. Motion to keep fees the same. Motion passes.
- Topics to discuss:
 - Clinics (summer, in-season), Trainings
 - A3 Training - Kyle: Check back with them on how much for large scale training
 - H4 - Eric Hudson
 - \$10 conditioning idea

Treasurer Report

- Budget will be reviewed at next board meeting 9/7.

Marketing & Communications

- Yard signs: Need to post this week at all schools (and baseball fields if extra)
- Instagram: Sara or Robyn start account. Need to make sure registration includes an update on social policy and posting of player's photos.
- Geo-targeted Facebook ad for registration; \$150 budget approved

External Tournament Director

- Tournament list here: <https://www.hrbbabasketball.net/page/show/1309340-tournament-schedule>

Royal Rumble Tournament Director

- Some discussion on whether it would be helpful to expand Royal Rumble to Friday night. Poses logistical challenges with set-up, but possible. Will need to communicate early about addition of Friday if that happens.
- 57 teams currently registered. Dan will ping all teams who registered last year.

Uniforms

- Amanda working with new vendor Synergy on uniform design, shooting shirts and coach apparel. Price is comparable to previous vendor but with much better quality and service (e.g., they will kit uniforms by player and box by team.)
- Uniform design is modeled on Varsity uniforms (primary black and white)
- Synergy can also do a Spirit Store with a “fundraising” item where they will donate \$5 from a hoodie of our choice back to our organization via check.

Southwest League

- Motion to Keep fees same \$215 w/ 50% reduction for free/reduced. Motion passes
- Rising Stars went well, will do that again as an option. Option to do a mid-season tourney. Start Jan. 4; games at Hopkins and Wayzata. Andy looking for a contact with Edina basketball to formalize process. Need to get payment from Tim to pay refs; may work with new ref company. Andy needs a replacement to shadow and run SW League next year.
- Need confirmation from Tim that Edina’s check for \$3k cleared
- Nov. 1 registration open; Dec. 1 form teams, Jan. 4 season starts

Next board meeting: Move Sept. 14 meeting to Sept. 7.

Motion to adjourn meeting 7:03. Motion passes.