

CAA Executive Board Meeting - December 13, 2021

Zoom meeting attendees: Terre Kemble, Bill Kemble, Jaxon Lang, John Hawley, Jerry Orcutt

(Meeting called to order at 7:30pm)

Agenda

1. Financials – John
 - a. \$340K balance in the bank – good shape.
 - b. Final payments from baseball families who chose payment plan option will hit bank in January. Approximately 15% of families chose payment plan option.
 - c. John working on journal entries with Terre
 1. May need to update Basketball program revenue numbers from 2020-21 season as it relates to fiscal year ending Sept 2021.
 2. John estimates CAA to be \$10K-\$20K in the black for FY ending Sept 2021.
 - d. John collecting budgets from Diamond Sports and Basketball for FY ending Sept 2022.
 - e. Diamond Sports volunteer fee increased from \$200 to \$400/family this year. Fee returned/check destroyed by family fulfilling 8 hours volunteer obligation. Won't allow uniform fittings without receipt of volunteer fee check.
2. Basketball update via email from Dave
 - a. Our tournament this coming weekend! After losing last year, we should be back on track with a *preliminary* projection in the ballpark of \$60K net. Volunteerism continues to erode and we'll be looking for solutions in the off-season. Further, our tournament director's family is aging out of the program and will be looking for his own successor.
 - b. Community league is off to a rough start. Again for lack of volunteers at the director position, and an overall shrinkage in registrations throughout the metro, we agreed to an offer from Chaska to combine the programs this season with Chaska administering it. The director there subsequently had a medical crisis and we lost the opportunity to get it off to a smooth start. Games are in progress but details like uniforms are still not delivered. The good news is that I've formed the basis of a new league next year for the 4th and 5th grade boys, who had just been playing games with / against Chaska. Edina and possibly Shakopee will join next year.
 - c. Continued partnership with the Timberwolves after the successful clinic has several CAA teams invited to their youth tournament (based on this season's performance to date), several teams playing exhibition games at the TGT center, and a good conduit for connecting to other communities. Former fan favorite Troy Hudson came to our MEA clinic.
 - d. HS boys coach Corey is spearheading a "challenge day" for next season between CAA and Eden Prairie. All travel teams will play during the day all the way through the varsity game at night. We are looking to potentially start a tradition and help both communities strengthen the ties between their youth and HS programs.

3. Sport leadership COVID role liability discussion – will this role be covered for making a bad decision on behalf of the sport?
 - a. Our JA Price agent Bob Bloomster expects “contagious disease carve-out” in our policy to cover us through April 2022. He believes this clause will go away after that date.
 - b. Burden of proof for cause will remain with participant.
 - c. For CAA to be found responsible, accuser is responsible for proving cause, and CAA would need to be found negligent.
 - d. Best action to protect us all is to require participants to sign waiver protecting CAA from legal action. Such waiver is currently part of all Diamond Sports and Basketball registrations.
 - e. Sport leaders/volunteers should hold an official volunteer role to insure coverage.
4. Scheels \$1000 award to CAA – model for how to distribute gifts/contributions to CAA between sports
 - a. Will split Scheels award by number of participants per sport, and see if that provides a good basis moving forward.
5. Old/ongoing business
 - a. Jaxon and Terre to meet to discuss future of Soccer program. There may be a potential volunteer to consider leading the program.
 - b. Website scheduling
 1. No response from League Athletics regarding our request for an extension of our LA website (\$2100/year for full website, expires end of 2021) to retain scheduling capabilities that aren’t available from SportsNgin.
 1. Terre will connect with LA/SE to negotiate extension to cover Basketball’s scheduling needs through March 2022.
 2. Diamond Sports very interested in an app called Diamond Scheduler, \$200/year, recommended by SportsNgin. Jerry Byrnes is Diamond Sports contact for this task. App claims to work for Basketball as well. Plan to connect Jerry with Andrea Daly, Basketball scheduler, to ensure compatibility.
6. Additional/new business
 - a. Basketball looking for CAA domain email solution to avoid volunteers using personal email address. Driver is need for email addresses that can be used in perpetuity in conjunction with current SeasonCast live streaming app. Jerry and John suggest Basketball investigate Game Changer Team Manager as possible solution.
7. Next meeting Monday, February 7th
8. Meeting adjourned 8:37pm