

MYA Basketball Monthly Meeting Minutes

February 17, 2025

Call to Order: 7:05

In person attendees: Stacey, Sheri, Jaymes, Russ, Dave, Jim

Virtual Attendees: Meaghan, Amy, Jen

Missing: Pat, Derek, Bill, Chrissy, Cara

Public comments: None

Equipment Status (Stacey)

-Extra swag stuff to sell at championship weekend

-Discussed how we will be putting banners with sponsors up for playoffs - need volunteers to hang and take down

-JL will be putting a lock box with key on equipment closet to make it easier for board members to get access when needed

-SQ brought up switching to different colored t-shirts for jerseys for next year and using a press to add numbers to the back. Board decided we should get numbers from petrocelli and mint and circle back

- Equipment Return date to be scheduled for 3/24 6:30-7PM

Accounting Status (Pat) - Not here

Approval for Foul-Shot-A-Thon Prizes(Jaymes):

A \$50 Amazon gift per division (currently 9=\$450)

GRAND PRIZE (1) a regulation basketball, a glow in the dark basketball a \$200 Nike gift card and a \$200 Dicks sporting good gift card.(\$500)

Total in prizes=\$950

Approved 8-0-0

Discussed adjusting this fundraiser to make it more exciting in future years as there was very low participation this year

Fundraising (Jaymes)

o Foul shot a thon current value = \$3,555

o 50/50 Raffle during playoffs:need volunteers for the tables at each gym- JL will order more raffle tickets and send out time slots for people to sign up.

o 50/50 raffle to only be held on championship Sunday.

o Foul Shot A Thon:need volunteers for the gym to collect papers

o Jaymes to ask about selling snack at a concession stand during the championship games.

Board Member (Jaymes)

-CC has been MIA since October

JL recognized all the work she put into the bibs for evaluations but would like to open the position for someone who may want to join that would be more involved since we have not heard from her at all.

Motion passed 7-0-1 to remove CC from the board

JL wanted to let everyone know he will not be running again for Director but would be happy to stay on the board in another position that is less time consuming, like scheduler. Next election is in June so we should start advertising for open positions soon.

We need a board member at all playoff games monitoring play time. If the divisional coordinator can not be at a game or is coaching a game they should ask other members to fill in during those games.

Rules/Officials Review(All)

-DS has noticed one team not following play time rules and would like to make sure this isn't an issue during playoffs. Teams can not try to advance their teams by sitting weaker players.

Regular season play time rules apply

DS would like to review the rules again at a later date

JL mentioned a ref no call/no showed and brought to the ref coordinator's attention that we need to make sure we have at least one ref that is able to get up and down the court quickly, especially for playoffs.

Divisional Updates:

Kindergarten(Amy)- AM said JL would have more insight here. JL said the program went really well and the kids had a lot of fun. The kids were sad it was already over.

-Skills/drills setup worked well

-Leftover medals - waiting for parents to reach out if their kids didn't get one

Instructional(Amy)- Very successful season, no complaints this year!

2nd grade girls had more court awareness but the skillset was similar to 1st graders. Having the two combined was not an issue.

Board discussed ways to get more girls in instructional program

PW Boys(Meaghan) -Nothing to add about the division but curious about makeup games
JL said he was able to reschedule the games from the 16th cancellation.

SR mentioned there should be a board member at one of the games that might have some tension due to heightened emotions from last time they played each other

JL will send an email reminding of play time rules and notifying there will be board member presence at the playoff games

PW Girls (Jim)- Thanked MH because he has been able to get the peewee girls to play at the halftime of varsity girls games and it has been very successful and enjoyed by all.

Jr Boys (Sheri)- Discussed conflict with rescheduled game from the 16th. JL will try to switch it to the following weekend so it does not overlap with the Bow tournament.

Discussed coach of a team not wanting to play in the first round of the playoffs which would result in a bye for the number 1 seed.

Incident at jr boys game with a player who hit head on the court and many were concerned he should not have been put back in the game right away. SR looked up bi-laws which stated that the refs are supposed to evaluate players after head injuries and make the determination of whether or not to allow them to continue playing.

Jr Girls (Jen)- All Good - Will be reaching out to SQ for trophies. Thanked DS for encouragement in a game which had a big impact on one of the girls.

Int Boys (Derek) Not here

JL read parent complaint about refs and coaches during recent game. JL will respond to the family to avoid conflict of interest.

Int Girls (Bill) Not here

Complaint from MYA coach, BO, about the Bedford coach telling his players they “play dirty.” JB has been at the games and said they play hard, but not dirty.

BO would like to add that the Int Girls are currently the #1 seed going into the playoffs out of 6 teams in their division in the Bedford Basketball League.

JL will send an email at the end of the season to try to encourage 6th graders to stick with the program next year so we can hopefully have enough teams to allow them to play against Merrimack teams in our own program

SR Boys (Chrissy) Not here

DS said having Friday practice for senior boys isn't great because they all go to watch the high school game instead of practice, which is understandable.

RC said the season has been a lot of fun

DS agreed it has been a good year in senior boys but reiterated there should be a draft for senior division next year

New Business

Next meeting will be March 24, not March 17 to avoid another holiday

Discussion about background checks for next year

JB would like to still have practice if they lose and are out of the playoffs to have a fun postseason thing for the kids the following week

Discussion about approach for the future of tournament teams- JL said April would be a good meeting to discuss this

After season a coach and parent survey will be issued. And end of season coaches meeting would turn into a complaint session and not be productive.

Adjourned at 8:55