



EYBA Executive Meeting  
Monday January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
Saville Community Sports Center  
U of A South Campus, Boardroom #1, 6:30 pm

**PARTICIPANTS:** Chad Bowie, President  
Carr Miceli, Vice President  
Lynn Hyska, Treasurer  
Darlene Anstice, Secretary  
Taylor Anstice, Executive Director  
Marvin Washington, Past President

- 1) Call to Order, Welcome and Attendance @ 6:32pm
- 2) Acceptance of Previous Minutes
  - a) EYBA Executive Meeting – October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016
    - i) MOTION to accept previous minutes made by Carr Miceli / 2<sup>nd</sup> Lynn Hyska / MOTION CARRIED
- 3) Additions and Approval of the Agenda
  - a) MOTION to approve agenda made by Marvin Washington / 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carr Miceli / MOTION CARRIED
- 4) Agenda Items
  - a) Reports
    - i) Treasurer's Report/Budget
      - (1) General account = \$138,576.00
      - (2) GIC = \$640,000.00 maturing March 13, 2017
      - (3) Should have Casoni monies in by Feb. 9-12, 2017. Once that comes in Lynn will pay BA for their invoice for insurance.
    - ii) BA Invoice total is \$39,193.00; total of 3563 members (cost is \$11 per member).
    - iii) The next casino is booked for 2018; dates slated for July, August or September (Palace Casino).
    - iv) Lynn shopped around for the financial statements and received quote for about \$3500 from Doyle & Company for our Review Engagement. Lynn will change accountants as we all agree. This will save us about \$2000. Al Lee will still be able to do our audit as although Al is an employee at Doyle & Company, he will not have anything to do with the financial statements.
  - b) FUNDamentals Clinic – Feb 18<sup>th</sup> @ St. Theresa in Sherwood Park
    - i) Last clinic on the year.

- ii) Camrose FUNdamentals is this coming weekend, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017.
  - iii) Individuals register directly to Basketball AB and follow direction on the BA site.
  - iv) BA has not sent invoice to EYBA with regards to the last FUNdamentals clinic that was held in Spruce Grove last September, 2016.
- c) Basketball Alberta meeting
- i) Minis 3v3, Bantams 4v4
    - (1) Discussion about the pros/cons about this being pushed down from Canada Basketball. CMBA seemed to be in agreement with this system where as EYBA agreed we weren't ready for this.
    - (2) In Mini 3v3, they are promoting that there are still Referees but no coaching at all.
    - (3) Marvin added that this is in line with their LTADM (long-term athlete development model). Darlene responded that in about 2007, SBA took on CA's LTADM by using the 3v3 model at the U7 and U9 house league level while 4v4 at the U11 level; so their LTADM has now changed direction.
    - (4) CA believes that the 3v3 players are coming out better skilled for their future.
    - (5) BA would not move to this at the provincial level without EYBA's support.
  - ii) 2 locations, 2 weekends in future
    - (1) BA wants to stick with the two locations. 'A; division would still alternate between Calgary and Edmonton; B&C/D provincials would ALWAYS remain in Edmonton.
    - (2) Chad spoke that we only heard the rumors that that may be the way they are doing it this year. Chad voiced his concerns to BA about their expectation of their volunteer requirement. Paul Sir advised Chad that they may look elsewhere to find their volunteers for this year's provincials. Chad will get more information from Paul at a later date.
    - (3) Chad advised that we have to decide if we/EYBA want to host the B & Open provincial tournaments in the future.
    - (4) Discussion that it could change to two separate weekends. However, this means EYBA has to look to end their season sooner to fit in two separate weekends for the provincials.
  - iii) Provincials - T-Shirts
    - (1) Discussion that last year BA sent invoice to EYBA for their order of 2000 shirts resulting in an over-order of 752

that were left over (1248 shirts were used). The invoice was for \$7665 and we paid \$5000 towards them.

(2) Lynn Hyska advised that we should NOT be paying for the provincial tournament t-shirts this year.

(3) Discussion to give our EYBA players that attend the provincials a 'WE THE NORTH' jersey as we did last year, maybe changing up the color.

d) EYBA direction – Games or Convenience

i) Taylor advised that he is getting a lot of negative feedback about double headers, some don't want games on the January weekend (before school is back in), if Teachers Convention or other holidays become factors, that's way less games than we would want to see teams get. Taylor asked Executive what our goal is as far as getting lots of games in vs. convenience. We all agreed that we want to see kids play as many games as possible. Without double headers, teams would get way less games (towards the amount of 12 games per season, rather than the attempt to give them 15+ games this season).

ii) Marvin advised that Coaches may need to take more players on their rosters if there is the case when kids do lots of other activities and have to miss basketball games.

iii) Discussion that if polled there would likely be more kids that would want more games than those that do not. Most A/B division players are likely keeners.

iv) Taylor asked Executive if he needs to throw it out to the Zones and he was advised not to. It was a unanimous decision to have Taylor schedule as many games as possible and teams have to deal with any conflicts and work around those.

v) Next year, Taylor would like to start earlier in September and book as close to Christmas as possible as well.

vi) Discussion that J.D. Bracco took a 2<sup>nd</sup> slot out for 'A' games on Tuesdays/Wednesdays, so being that it went from two games to one causes issues with EBOA, so Taylor moved the games out of Bracco and gave the one slot up to NEBA and NW for practice times, rather than give up the contract altogether.

e) Coach Appreciation Night

i) Chad advised that Connie has booked the Aldergrove Community Hall for Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

ii) There are 277 teams in EYBA, so lots of Coaches would be invited to the event. Aldergrove only holds 200 people, so if we have a larger group, we would have to move the event. Discussion that we look to cap the event this year and see how it goes for the first time.

iii) Cost to the coaches?

- (1) Taylor advocated for some sort of fee to give them accountability and ensure if they commit with a fee they will show up.
- (2) Discussion to put a note out and get Coaches to RSVP by February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017.
- (3) There will be only 200 spots first come first served with a \$5 per person charge.
- (4) Connie Bowie will check with her catering connections. Taylor to get a quote from The Sawmill Banquet Centre.
- (5) Decision was made not to have a toonie bar for this year.
- (6) Discussion about having nice door prizes that include a big screen TV.

f) Playoffs

- i) Taylor advised that he has been assured that playoffs are not hard to put into the GoalLine system. He will take care of ensuring things run well, schedules will be completed prior to his holidays, February 10<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>.
- ii) Taylor advised Executive that he would like to take his laptop with him on holidays so he can stay on top of things while he's there without doing too much work.
- iii) Taylor advised that medals are to arrive by February 1<sup>st</sup> so he can sort before he leaves. Worst case scenario he will have time to sort once he returns.

g) Spring League

- i) Cost? Discussion and decision to raise cost to \$1600 per team.
- ii) March 10<sup>th</sup> will be the team declaration deadline
- iii) Spring league games will go from April 3<sup>rd</sup> to first week of June.

h) Review of the Default Fines

- i) Discussion held about the exchange of default fees to be discussed again for next year.
- ii) Defaults are being tracked by Taylor and fines will be given at the season's end and invoiced out to Zones at the same time as collecting EBOA Ref fees.
- iii) It was determined that a defaulting team will be fined \$50 and because EYBA is already holding all the reffing funds, money needs to be taken out of a Zone's EYBA 'account' to pay back the team that went without a game.
- iv) Money has already been exchanged part way through the season. Therefore, we will leave it as is and re-evaluate the system next year.

- v) It was agreed that the system of not paying cash to referees is working very well this season.
- i) Directors Meeting Date
  - i) Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017: Taylor to book 6:30pm in a classroom at the SCSC.
- j) Juvenile Girls Winter Season
  - i) There are (2) teams in juvenile girls division for season #2.
  - ii) We discussed our disappointment that there aren't more girls at the high school level and that aren't playing high school ball that have pulled themselves from the opportunity to still play community ball.
  - iii) With both teams wanting to attend 2017 youth provincials, we agreed to still have the division and have the teams play each other every odd week, getting them (5) or so games in total.
  - iv) The two Juvenile girls teams will have one final game on March 4<sup>th</sup> to determine the 1 and 2 spot to represent EYBA at the provincial tournament in Calgary.
- k) Oil Kings EYBA Night Out
  - i) Taylor advised that they want to run an EYBA event game with the cost at \$18 per person. Regular cost is \$29.
  - ii) Discussion that we may support the event to membership via the website and have Coaches send request for tickets directly to the Oil Kings Organization.
  - iii) Discussion and agreement that it's a good idea to get kids involved in watching another sport and to promote the event as a team bonding situation.
- l) Mites Tournament
  - i) Carr discussed that time is coming to get information on which zones are interested. This year's mites would be Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>. Courts 1, 3 & 5 at the Saville Centre will be used for the day. Court #4 will be used for flow so kids can use that open court between games.
  - ii) Goodie bags and medals will go to all participants.
  - iii) Taylor to forward information about the event soon.
- m) U of A High School event
  - i) Chad discussed the event that was well received by all four high school teams (JP, Ross Shep, HA, St. FX).
  - ii) Chad advised they had about 1000 people in attendance.
  - iii) U of A people were super happy about the event.
  - iv) Discussion to advance the event to become a weekend event rather than a one-day event.
- n) Report on Midget All-Star game
  - i) Event was well received. Kids had a blast and coaches had a great time too.

- ii) Discussed that we could try it include Bantams next year.
- iii) Discussion that the timing of the event was great being prior to Christmas.
- iv) Possibly we find another partner for that Bantam event and possibly do it the same week as Midgets.
- o) Chad's discussions with NAIT
  - i) Chad advised that we want to open relationships with other post-secondary schools.
  - ii) Coach Connelly over at NAIT (Senior Men's team) would like to do an All-Star game at the end of the high school year. We will chat with him on where that can fit in. Chad to work on that with Coach Connelly.
  - iii) NAIT is hosting women's nationals. He would like our smaller teams (minis) to play at half time in some of the games. Nationals weekend is March 15-18<sup>th</sup>.
- 5) New Business
  - a) Chad has advocated for a summer league so Taylor will find out from Shaun if the SCSC is able to facilitate games during July and August, 2017.
  - b) Chad has asked Calgary to see if they are interested to have some spring league teams that maybe play our teams. They are willing but we aren't sure how we can make that happen.
- 6) Close and Adjournment @ 8:20pm / MOTION to adjourn made by Lynn Hyska / 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marvin Washington