

Metro Basketball Association - AGM  
7:00 PM, Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
ZOOM Online Meeting

Minutes

In attendance: Mike Cairns, Mike Moores, Shane Mailman, Chris Lurette, Robin Venoitte, John Hope, Sandie Hebb, Danny DePalma, Jud Mullen, Christine Buckley, Jonathan Stevens, John Chisholm, Nikki Murphy.

1. **Call to Order** – Called to order by John Hope.
2. John Welcomed the group to the meeting as the Chair. Thanked all in attendance.
3. Chris confirmed **roll call and Quorum** was successfully reached
4. **Approval of the Agenda**- Move by Mike Cairns 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jud Mullen, Motion carried
5. **Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting** – The minutes from the previous AGM had been sent out and were approved by the group. Move by Mike Cairns 2<sup>nd</sup> by Robin Veinotte, Motion carried
6. **Business arising from the minutes** – None
7. **President’s Report** – John explained some complications from previous year regarding gyms and fan behavior. We had a number of issues that had to be worked through last year, this was dealt with aggressively and seems to have helped.
8. **Financial Report** - Chris Lurette Reviewed the financials. These were sent out in advance of the meeting and a quick review was done to highlight the larger items.
  - a. Balance Sheet – as of April 30<sup>th</sup> there was 153,000 in the bank with accounts payable of 1,600 which was Chris’ CPP and EI payments which were paid later. Leaving total assets 153,000. The large net income will be used to mitigate fee increases in the future. We expect some increases will continue but our hope is to limit the fee increase we would pass on. Hopefully we can hold the fees level next season. Until this season we paid for ramp, but Basketball Canada has picked up this cost. No other notable items.
  - b. Chris reviewed the Income Statement and highlighted the main differences between the budgeted vs Actuals. There was a budget of 418 teams and ended with 430 therefore caused some variances from budget. On the expense side there is payroll which is Chris’ salary. There were savings which was due to two weekends being cancelled and therefore saved money there. We still had to pay for some non-HRCE gyms when games were cancelled. Scorekeepers were slightly over due to cost for Joel which was missed in the budget. The increase in Registration and the cancelling of the 2 weeks meant the surplus of 62,000. Fees remain the same for this season.
  - c. **Motion** - to accept the financial statements as presented. moved by Sandie Hebb, Mike Moores 2<sup>nd</sup>, **Motion Carried.**
9. **League Manager’s Report** (Chris Lurette)

- a. The MBANS has grown again to all time high of 429 who participated in 54 division.
- b. This increase has posed challenges such as division alignment and scorekeepers.
- c. We went back to rounds on different weeks for playoffs. The tournament format was too hard to support. Although the experience was good for most.
- d. This was a challenging season due to fan behavior. We had to remove fans for a week to send the message home.
- e. Clubs should be adopting safe sport policies
- f. Chris circulated his full report to the group after the meeting.

10. Committee Updates/Selection

- a. Rules Committee- Mike Cairns read through the following Motions for the new rules the board put forward. Both motions were moved and seconded and all three motions were **Passed**.

- 1. That current defensive restrictions in the U14 age category be removed for division 1 and 2.

**Motion:**

That rule 12.1 be amended to read:

Person to Person Defence - Defence must be person to person. Zone defences of any kind are not permitted in Division 3 and below.

That rule 12.2 be amended to read:

No Double Teaming - Double teaming is not permitted. Help defence is permitted but not in a sustained manner such as a trap. When an offensive player has beaten their defender, another defender may step in to help momentarily but then must immediately return to guard their own offensive player or switch players to return to person to person. ***This rule does not apply to Division 1 or Division 2.***

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- 2. That the rules requiring 8 players to have been used by half time be updated to require 7 players be used by half time.

**Motion:**

That rule 13.1 be amended to read:

Equal Play - In all levels of Under 12 no one player shall play more than a one shift difference than any other teammate. Regarding the number of players for each team:

13.1.1 Should a player arrive to a game late or leave a game early they are required to play equal time for the portion of the game which they are at the game.

13.1.2 If 8 or more players have been used in accordance with "Equal Playing Time" by game's end, the game will be recorded as valid.

13.1.3 Each team shall be allowed to play with 7 players, but only on 2 occasions each regular season.

13.1.4 If only 7 players have been used in accordance with "Equal Playing Time" by games end, the scorer shall clearly record this on the score sheet. Games played with only 7 players will be tracked by the league, and games played with 7 players, after the first two, will be a default against the violating team.

13.1.5 If 7 or more players have not been used in accordance with "Equal Playing Time" by games end, the scorer shall record clearly on the score sheet that the game is a default against the violating team

- b. Personnel Committee- Nothing to report
- c. Discipline Committee- Adhoc
- d. Bylaw/Constitution Committee- Nothing to report

11. Election of officers –

- a. President – John Hope remaining as president.
- b. Vice President – Curtis Gabriel remains VP.
- c. Treasurer – Shane Mailman
- d. Secretary - Mike to remain secretary.
- e. Members at large, **Deion Wilson** will remain, **Robin Venoitte** will remain, **Paula Nolan, Nicki Murphy, Christine Buckley, Mike Cairns** returned, **Chris Burke, Jed Mullen**
- f. John added a nomination of Dana MacDonald as an additional member at large

**Motion** - to accept the election of officers as presented. moved by Robin Veinotte seconded by Sandie Hebb, **Motion Carried.**

End of election of officers.

12. No other items have arisen.

13. Adjournment-Motion, carried.