



AGTBA

Andover Girls Traveling Basketball Association

**Board Members present**

Jason Strasser, President	<u>  X  </u>	Jim Hostad, Vice President	<u>  X  </u>
Laurie Mount, Treasurer	<u>    </u>	Dawn Youngren, Secretary	<u>    </u>
Dan Leibold, Events Director	<u>  X  </u>	Melissa Skurat, Facilities Director	<u>  X  </u>
Brian Haugen, Tournament Director	<u>  X  </u>	Barb Diemer, Asst. Tournament Dir.	<u>  X  </u>
Carrie Aarness, Apparel Director	<u>  X  </u>	Jodie Haaf, Equipment Director	<u>  X  </u>
Carrie Hoff, Age Group Director	<u>    </u>	Susan Weddle, Age Group Director	<u>  X  </u>
Lynnette Bauers, Public Relations Dir.	<u>  X  </u>	Jason D’Agastino, Website Director	<u>  X  </u>

**Members At Large**

Donald Bauers, Kevin Hondl and Devon Walton

**I. Holiday Hoops Tournament Results**

As our financials look now, we are at about what we made at last year’s tournament. We do not have the final numbers yet on our financial sheet. It should be more final and available at our next meeting February. We are looking at approximately \$3,000, after our expenses and refunds have been made. Refunds went out to 19 teams of \$3600. A motion was made by Susan Weddle and seconded by Lynnette Bauers to send the Fargo 6<sup>th</sup> grade team, that traveled here for the tournament and snowed in for 2 days; a free holiday hoops t-shirt for the team of ten. We took in about \$3800 in gate fees. All of the merchandise is dwindling and are about even at this time for the cost/profit of the merchandise. Carrie Aarness has worked out a deal with Blaine to sell our sports bras and the Mom’s shirts at their tournament. We will be able to have the merchandise included on Tina Belschner’s, (AGTBA member), craft table. Most of the donated headbands by an AGTBA member sold and made \$675 off of the donation. A motion was made by Susan Weddle and seconded by Brian Haugen to send the anonymous donator a\$75 gift card and a MOM shirt. Thank you for the generous donation. The shorts may be returned to Ideal, there isn’t that many of them left. We still have the Donation from the Timberwolves, (\$250 retail value), that Devon Walton arranged. Thank you to Devon Walton for getting this for us. We are looking into the Andover Football program to try to silent auction it at Beef O’Brady’s for AGTBA.

**II. Treasurers Report**

Laurie Mount unavailable for this month’s meeting. We just had preliminary numbers sent out previously by Laurie, not official.

### **III. Tournament Update**

Brian Haugen said he received good feedback on the one-day tournament and people liked the timing. We discussed the probability of moving to this weekend. It would not be in our best interest as we would not be able to grow the tournament as the other school facilities would not be available for rental as this time of year, (school not in session). We discussed possibly changing our date to earlier to attain the high school again and may look into that possibility. We couldn't make it any later in the new year as the boys in-house program has too many of the gyms and the traveling boys have the weekend following Christmas break already. The first weekend in December may be an option.

### **IV. Taste of Traveling**

Lynnette Bauers reported that it went well and looks successful. We have 20 girls signed up and started in the Taste of Traveling program. The two coaches are Joe Richardson and Paul Gerth. We ended up with 10- 3<sup>rd</sup> graders and 10- 4<sup>th</sup> graders. This should help our program fill some empty slots and grow our program. They are all signed up for the St. Francis tournament. We went over the problem of Joe's team having a late practice, (8:30 – 10:00) the evening before the tournament. Melissa is looking into the possibility of one of the traveling teams swapping with them as AGTBA does not have any tournament scheduled for traveling that weekend. She will let Lynnette know if she finds a team to swap. We are doing the refundable deposit on the uniforms this year. Lynnette turned over to Jodie Haaf for uniform concerns for the Taste of Traveling if we continue. Jodie reported that the small uniforms are getting old and need replacing. We should look into reversible pennies with numbers and shorts for future use. We would sell the old uniforms next year, possibly. No action was taken on this at this time. Jodie Haaf also mentioned that Ray had donated old school uniforms to AGTBA. She is going sell them at some upcoming event. Lynnette Bauers mentioned the possibility of the current 7<sup>th</sup> graders may have an interest in buying the old school uniforms for next year, seeing it is there last year and may need bigger sizes next year. We will run it by the grade level and see response, the only problem is they may not be able to keep the number they have presently on their current uniform.

### **V. Banquet Information**

Dan Leibold brought up the fact that Jim Hostad, Lynnette Bauers and himself need to start the process of collecting prizes for the upcoming event. The Banquet night is set for March 22, 2011. We will set-up starting at 5 p.m. and the banquet will begin at 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. Barb Diemer volunteered (nominated) to set up the loop video of the traveling basketball girls. About 15 pictures consisting of teams not particularly while playing. The eighth grade girls will have baby pictures also included. Team parents will help in getting pictures from teams as in past years. Jason S. brought up the discussion on staying on budget this year with the banquet. We are going to do tickets this year to be given out to the team parents next month. Dan Leibold will be looking into cost per person and potential caterers for the next meeting. This will

leave a 4-5 week window to get information and dinner tickets to team parents and the return of money and definite numbers of people to the board in time for the banquet.

## **VI. Fundraising**

Jim Hostad said pizza orders are turned in and down by about 1\3 less than last year. AGTBA will make \$1148 from the sale of Heggies pizza by AGTBA members. Jim has the 1<sup>st</sup> of February set for pick up. Melissa Skurat was concerned because of closeness to Super Bowl weekend. Many people use them for this purpose. Jim is looking into changing the date to the 27<sup>th</sup> of January from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. This will allow ample time for delivery for the Super Bowl weekend. He will let everyone know when date is set for pick-up and e-mails will be sent out. Jim has 2 tentative dates set with Beef O'Brady's February 8 and February 22. After the Beef O'Brady's event, this will finish out the fundraising for the 2010-2011 AGTBA year.

## **VII Practice vs. Varsity Nights at the High School**

In response to some concerns with youth nights interfering with practices; Jason Strasser reported that the Andover High School controls the youth nights. They give us 5 dates in to which we fill with our team introductions, youth night and 10,000 shot introduction night. The Andover High School typically has their games on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, the same night as most of our practices. Melissa Skurat was directed into looking into scheduling more in December so we may have some practice night flexibility with more gym availability in that month as opposed to after January 1<sup>st</sup>. The practices that were scheduled the same evening and gyms that were not being used due to participation in youth nights are credited back to AGTBA, if the coach contacts Melissa. Kevin Hondl said the younger girls enjoy the experience and mentioned next year in having a scrimmage between in-house champions and the traveling girls during 1\2 time on Youth night. In the end it was said it is the Andover high School and AGTBA's way to connect and promote both programs to the public and youth. Jason also brought up the fact we should set guidelines for gym selection and Melissa stated that would be hard as Marv does all the scheduling now and not much room for versatility. Lynnette Bauers stated that the older girls were being put in smaller gyms. Melissa stated our grade level had one night at OVMS and one and an elementary school. Melissa Skurat brought up the fact that the Andover High School Coach and Assistants would be interested in coming down to Rochester to mingle with the parents and watch the girl's games and promote High School basketball. They will be potentially finished with the high school season and were wondering if AGTBA would pick up the cost of one hotel room for them to stay. In good standings with the Andover High School program and AGTBA, it was decided Brian Haugen would look into booking a room and get back to the board.

## **VIII. 10,000 Shots Night**

It is scheduled for February 15.

