

CARDINAL FLIGHT MONTHLY MEETING
DECEMBER 3, 2006

Meeting was called to order by Kip Knez at 3:05PM.

SECRETARY REPORT:

Secretary read the previous month report. A motion was made by Kip Knez and second by Melissa Siddons to accept the secretary's report as written.

TREASURER REPORT:

Eddie Eckwright was not available; a copy of the treasurer report was handed out. Summary of expense and income was shown. Need to remember we still have outstanding bills to be paid as of yet! Fee of \$19,000 for Greater Northwest Basketball League; a motion to pay the fee was made by Kathy Facklam and second by Kip Knez.

For the 6th grade tournament thanks for all your help. Terri Green from Great Northwest Basketball League was impressed with how we ran the tournament, etc.

COACHES REPORT:

3rd Grade - 2 home tournaments - having lots of fun. Learning to play as a team.

4th Grade Red - Great fun, working on drills, have a tournament on December 9th. Played 3 games.

4th Grade White - catching on, ball handling getting better. Question was asked: How to work with them once the season is done. (There is the YMCA program from January through March - Little & Big Dribblers.) Information should be coming out in the near future.

4th Grade Black - No one present.

5th Grade Red - No tournament as of yet. Scrimmage 6th grade & 5th grade black. Has 9 players - 1st time for all the girls.

5th Grade White - One girl is injured. Took 1st place at River Falls tournament.

5th Grade Black - Took 3rd place at River Falls tournament and improving.

6th Grade Red - The two day championship tournament in Chippewa Falls, they took 5th place.

6th Grade White - Been practicing and have a tournament this coming Saturday.

7th Grade Red - At the League Championship tournament went 6-1 and took 2nd place and at Hayward took 1st place.

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7th Grade White - At the Osceola tournament took 5th place, went 2 for 2.

8th Grade Red - Winter tournament won 1 and lost 3.

8th Grade White - Have a tournament on December 9th.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Team pictures is scheduled for December 17, 2006, starting with 8th grade red, at 3PM. Any questions, talk to Kathy Facklam. Should take 2 to 3 weeks to get pictures back. Coaches should have teams ready to go.

Directions for 5th grade teams:

Program is changing. Cardinal Flight program is starting earlier. The girls are being exposed to basketball now at 3rd grade level this year (for the 1st time). Do we want have our 5th girls having try outs? Should our 3rd & 4th grades be half non-competitive and half completeive? In the State of Minnesota they are starting with 3rd grade try-outs. In the State of Wisconsin they are starting with 5th grade try-outs. Earlier try-outs will give the girls a chance to play both lower and higher ability for skill levels. We would not turn no girl away. The girls can be successful at the lower level and work to a higher level. Problem that has surfaced is how the parents see this. Red team or white team. The girls don't really care, they are out on the court to have fun, make new friends and learn new skills.

1. When they are on a team they have the advantage to play in a league and state tournament, play 3 on 3 tournaments, etc.
2. They have no fear to play other teams; learn faster.

Parents concern that their child will not get on varsity level in the future. One thing to remember is that the girls love what they are doing at this age group.

The Cardinal Flight is a model for other communities for how our organization is ran and how we set up try outs etc. This is an important part for us to stay successful.

This matter will be tabled for future discussion.

OTHER DISCUSSION:

When we have try-outs for next year, could it be sooner then October? (Some teams were able to have try-outs earlier then others, and others could not due to scheduling conflicts).

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Still having conflicts with scheduling gym times for practices and it will become even harder now that Cardinal Hoops is starting.

Should we have recruiting like they do in Eau Claire? (future discussion by the board).
(How does this benefit the girls?)

Question was asked how does the red team get to go to more tournaments then the white team? Discussion centered on when the different teams sign up for the state and 2- day tournaments prior to the start of the year and then if they are invited to the tournament. Still much discussion on why the red teams get their tournaments paid for and the white teams are not able to get their extra tournaments paid for. Much discussion. According to the by-laws this how it was written. Kathy Facklam talked about having a group of parents go over the by-laws and update them. A sheet of paper was passed around for parents who were interested to sign up with they name, phone number and email address. (This matter will be tabled at this time). (Cost for state tournament is \$295-applied in October; LCT tournament cost is \$220-applied at the end of August; regular tournament cost is \$110.)

A change in the by-laws needs to be made for the following: Cardinal Flight members do not need to be a member of public schools. Waiver needs to be completed by the parent and list compiled.

Just a remainder for whatever team this is hosting a tournament, to remember to call team parents for help for set-up, working at concession, admissions and take down. Make sure you have the ribbons in the right schools and to call the different teams to be sure they are still on coming to your tournament.

Once the tournament is completed; the tournament coordinator needs to get all the scoring information to Terri Green by 10AM, on Monday after the tournament.
Otherwise, the Cardinal Flight Organization is fined \$100.

For the December 9th tournament need an assistant coordinator at the Middle School and Hillcrest. Dave Mayrg will help at Hillcrest. Ron Fjestad will work the back gym of the High School.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Melissa Siddons and second by Kip Knez at 4:10PM.

notes by Kathleen M. Shear, secretary