



Chicago Metropolitan Sports Association
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Board of Directors – MINUTES
 Monday, August 6, 2012
 7:00 pm – 9:40 pm
 Nookies
 1100 W Bryn Mawr Ave.
 Chicago, IL 60660

ATTENDEES:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Board Position</u>	<u>Attended?</u>
Brian Kupersmit	President	Yes
Mark Sakalares	Vice President	No
Jessica Andrasko	Vice President	Yes
Matt Simpson	Secretary	Yes
Michael O. Rice II	Treasurer	Yes
Julie Colwell	Director	Yes
Michael Erwin	Director	Yes
Jason Kallen	Director	Yes
Jack Neilsen	Director	Yes
Jackie Schmit	Director	Yes
Brian Lopez	Director	Yes

Brian K. called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

PRIOR MEETINGS:

1. Jack N. motioned to approve the prior minutes. Jess A. 2nd. Motion carried.

CMSA SUCESESSES OF PAST WEEK:

1. Mike E.: Facebook page increased “likes”. Improvements made to CMSA page.
2. Julie C.: Softball fields in excellent condition
3. Jack N.: Open Sunday Softball concluded. New Thriva registration process almost ready.

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4. Brian L.: Open Sunday Softball concluded.
5. Jackie S.: Should have enough people for 2 divisions in Fall Softball
6. Michael R.: 10 teams for Thursday Fall Softball
7. Matt S.: Registration party for Men's Flag Football
8. Brian K.: Open Soccer sent e-mail to league regarding unregistered players. Open Soccer has notified its members about the election for commissioner. Kickball has 4 nominations for commissioner and has 2 confirmed candidates.
9. Jason K.: Already is seeing more open communication in the organization.
10. Jess A.: Playoffs going well in Women's Softball

CMSA "FANTASY STATEMENTS"

1. We discussed what statements people would make about the Board if we have a successful year:
 - a) Pro active
 - b) Members had a voice
 - c) Processes standardized
 - d) Responsive to needs
 - e) Balanced and flexible to everyone's needs
 - f) Approachable
 - g) Overly informed
 - h) Thought leaders/a model of excellence
 - i) Increase sports and our geographical area
 - j) Community outreach
 - k) Changed the members perception of the Board

KEY INITIATIVES FOR 2012-13:

1. We broke into groups to brainstorm about all of the tasks the Board is and/or should be doing, rating them in terms of high payoff/effort level.
2. The Board came to a consensus that the following tasks will be the key initiatives for the Board in 2012-13:
 - a) All sports are run well
 - b) There is effective communication to members
 - c) Rethink marketing/ads/website
 - d) Balance sports and social outlets
 - e) Partner with a charity
 - f) Bring in new sports and increase geographical area
 - g) Improve registration process
3. Matt S. motioned to accept the initiatives. Jack N. 2nd. Motion carried

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4. The following people were assigned to each initiative:
 - a) All sports are run well – Michael R./Matt S.
 - b) There is effective communication to members – Michael E./Brian K.
 - c) Rethink marketing/ads/website – Jason K./Brian K.
 - d) Balance sports and social outlets – Brian L./Jack N./Julie C.
 - e) Partner with a charity – Brian L./Julie C.
 - f) Bring in new sports and increase geographical area – Jess A./Michael R.
 - g) Improve registration process – Jack N./Jackie S.
5. Each team has 1 week to define what the initiative means, what the objective is, and what the overall plan is to implement it.

IMPROVED COMMUNICATION:

1. We discussed how to improve communication to the commissioners, members, and non-CMSA people.
2. Michael E. will use these ideas to develop a communication plan.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

1. Michael R. reviewed the treasurer's report.
2. There are several sports with negative balances. This is mainly due to revenue being put into incorrect accounts. Michael will clean this up and meet with each commissioner to confirm.
3. Jack N. motioned to approve the Treasurer's report. Mike E. 2nd. Motion carried.

CMSA BUDGET:

1. This is for the overall organization, not any sports.
2. This budget is for discussion and is a fluid document.
3. We need to have enough cash on hand to cover all of our expenses at our peak time. This is typically when Spring/Summer sports are starting.
4. We have \$40 – 50,000 excess funds
5. The budget for 2012-13 must be approved by September 1, 2012.
6. All Board members must review in 7 days and e-mail any questions to Michael R.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. We reviewed the action items from the July 30, 2012 meeting

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MEETING SUMMARY:

1. What went well at this meeting:
 - a) Fantasy statements
 - b) Taking action on key initiatives
 - c) Prioritizing initiatives
 - d) Visual aids, structure of meeting
2. What can we improve?
 - a) Reduce the agenda
 - b) Got off track at times
 - c) Have time for new issues

NEXT MEETING:

1. Board Meeting: 9/4/12 at 7:00, at Nookies

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

1. Jackie S. motioned to adjourn.
2. Brian L. 2nd.
3. Motion carried, meeting adjourned at 9:40