



Chicago Metropolitan Sports Association
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Board of Directors – MINUTES
 Wednesday, November 28, 2012
 7:16 pm – 9:54 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	Yes
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	No

Brian K. called the meeting to order at 7:16pm.

PRIOR MEETINGS:

1. Jack N. motioned to approve the prior minutes. Mark S. 2nd. Motion carried.
2. Matt S. motioned to approve agenda with Hall of Fame Committee moved to first and adding highlights since last meeting. Michael E. 2nd. Motion carried.

HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE:

1. 6 Members of the committee were present
2. The HOF Committee was formed in 2005. The first class was in 2007

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3. Nominations for this year's class are open until 12/31/12.
4. The HOF Committee will meet in January to select.
5. Induction ceremony is in March 2013.
6. CMSA website has HOF link for more information
7. HOF Selection Process:
 - a) Nominations come from members, not committee
 - b) Nominees graded on point scale, 25 is maximum possible
 - c) Committee narrows to 3-5 people. Threshold for selection is typically 75% of points
8. Ceremony:
 - a) Committee wants it to be a small ceremony to converse and share stories.
 - b) Planning for 2012 induction ceremony has begun.
9. Brian K. requested that the committee:
 - a) Keep the Board informed on progress
 - b) Discuss evaluating the "culture" of the HOF, i.e. does it need to be adjusted to reflect the younger demographic of CMSA
 - c) Marcia Hill to discuss budget needs with Michael Rice.

CHARITY PRESENTATION/GAY FOR GOOD

1. Brian Redar gave overview of Gay for Good:
 - a) Developed with the goal of reaching out to communities outside of the gay community
 - b) First chapter in Los Angeles in 2008.
 - c) Chicago chapter started in 2011, first projects were in 2012.
 - d) About 375 members in the Chicago chapter
 - e) Goals for 2013:
 - 1-2 projects per month
 - Increase awareness
 - Continue to operate on a minimal budget (+/- \$1,500/year)
 - f) Gay for Good/CMSA Partnership:
 - Similar organizations
 - Both non-profit/non-political
 - LGBT oriented
 - Typical project: Clean up a CMSA facility
 - 30-40 people per event. Larger turnout becomes difficult to manage
 - CMSA events would be in addition to regular Gay for Good events
 - CMSA would propose an event, Gay for Good would organize and run it.
 - Board to discuss a possible Spring event
 - Brian K. to notify the CPD of potential to partner with them on a project.

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TREASURER'S REPORT:

1. Michael R. reviewed the treasurer's report.
2. Membership is down compared to 2011-12 but the gap is closing. The board is not concerned, but will continue to monitor.
3. The audit started last week. Will be complete by 12/31/12
4. Michael R. requested that all Fall budgets be closed out by 12/31/12.
5. Jackie S. motioned approve treasurer's report, Michael E. 2nd. Motion carried

MEMBER SURVEY:

1. Brian K. reviewed the responses to each of the questions
2. Brian K. will put together an executive summary of the survey to track trends and what areas we need to improve on.
3. We will conduct this survey annually

CMSA ACCOMPLISHMENTS SINCE 10/17/12 MEETING:

1. Toy drive a success –raising over \$1700 already
2. First ever linkage with GLAAD spirit day
3. Auditor on board
4. 2 new commissioners – Grete and Brent
5. First quarterly newsletter went out!
6. PR questions/answers to KFS
7. Website bids received and evaluated
8. Amazing Nov/Dec sports ads
9. Facebook likes continue to build
10. Getting the right insurance in place
11. Park district proposal delivered
12. Legal bids received

CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT UPDATE:

1. As of 11/28/12 there is no update from CPD.
2. CPD is reviewing all proposals now. We expect to have a decision by the end of the year.
3. Brian K. will e-mail CPD and update them on CMSA's intention of adding sports, thus adding revenue opportunities for CPD.

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WEBSITE UPDATE:

1. Jason K. received 10 proposals from vendors for CMSA's website upgrade. Jason and Brian K. narrowed this down to 5.
2. Jason sent follow up questions to the final 5. We're awaiting responses.
3. The median price was +/- \$20,000.
4. Our timeline is to have the new website functional by March of 2013.

INSURANCE UPDATE:

1. Mark S. has investigated our current insurance policy and made some adjustments
2. Mark researched competitors of Bollinger (our current carrier) and found that they are offering competitive pricing and good service. No change in carrier is recommended.
3. We need to analyze how we divide up insurance costs between sports. There is a fee per person and depends on the sport.
4. Bollinger stated that our current waiver is sufficient.
5. We entered a close meeting to discuss insurance related topics.

KEY INITIATIVES FOR 2012-13:

1. Marketing: (Jason K., Brian K.)
 - a) We have ads in the Windy City Times for Winter sports.
 - b) Brian K., Jack N., and Jason K. to discuss timing of ads for Spring 2013 sports
 - c) Jason brought extra copies of the new poster ads that were distributed to Board members. They are currently running at 14 locations.
2. Communication: (Michael E., Brian K.)
 - a) Our Facebook page has about 300 views per day
3. Social: (Jack N., Brian L.)
 - a) Jack N. will organize a party for February 2013.
 - b) Julie C. will follow up with Sam Hamilton on status of Women's Party
4. New Sports: (Michael R., Jess A.)
 - a) No update
5. Improve Registration
 - a) No update.

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6. Effective League Management: (Matt S. Michael R., Mark S.)
 - a) Team will meet within 2 weeks

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. The Board entered a closed session to discuss disciplinary issues
2. There was an issue with Thriva with Women's Volleyball registration. Michael R. discovered an issue with scheduling when a sport shuts down or changes its registration. This has been corrected
3. Jack N. will send an e-mail to all commissioners regarding the Commissioners Dinner.
4. Jackie S. distributed and reviewed a proposal to add Table Tennis as a sport
 - a) Jackie S. and Marcela would run the league
 - b) The league would be on Tuesday nights, potentially starting in the Spring
 - c) This would be an open league
 - d) A possible location would be the Broadway Armory. We would need the equivalent of one basketball court.
 - e) Startup costs could be as much as \$7,000. The Board hasn't allocated any money for new sports. Jackie to check with the CPD to see if they have any tables we could use.
 - f) Jackie will reach out to Doug King for assistance with the league. Doug has expressed interest in adding Table Tennis in the past
 - g) Michael R. motioned, Brian K. 2nd to have Jackie S. finalize details of the league and present to the Board. Motion carried.

COMPLIMENTARY MEMBERSHIPS:

1. None

NEXT MEETING:

1. Board Meeting: 1/9/13 at 7:15, Location TBD
2. Commissioners Dinner: 1/16/13. Jack N. to notify Commissioners

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

1. Mark S. motioned to adjourn. Jack N. 2nd.
2. Motion carried, meeting adjourned at 9:54