



## Board of Directors Meeting

## AGENDA

October 23, 2017

7:00 pm

Location: Michael Rice's Home

1634 W. Farragut, Unit 2, Chicago, Illinois 60660

<u>Name</u>	<u>Board Position</u>	<u>Attended?</u>
Michael Erwin	President	Yes
Matt Herek	Vice President	Yes
Joshua Dehnke	Vice President	Yes
Julie Norris	Secretary	Yes
Michael Rice	Treasurer	Yes
Matthew Graham	Director	No
Jay Gonnam	Director	Yes
Lindsay Frounfelkner	Director	Yes
Brian Hull	Director	No
Christina Roberts	Director	Yes
Jonathon Shaw	Director	Yes

**PRIOR MEETINGS:**

Meeting called to order at 7:06 pm

- Approval of Agenda:  
Motion to Approve: Matt; Second: Jonathon: Passed
- Approval of Prior Minutes (19/September/17): Passed

**SPECIAL BUSINESS:**

- Treasurer's Report  
Discussion: Audit will start in December and last approx. 3 weeks. Net Income of \$35K, due to insurance. Organization income is \$38K due to up front paid fees. Registration is up from this time in past year due to fall softball, open volleyball. All leagues numbers look good. We are waiting for LHK team fee payments on open sports.

Motion to Approve: Matt  
Second: Christina  
Motion: Approved

2. Update on Financial Investigation

Discussion: Comcast hasn't returned paperwork for wage garnish and hasn't returned calls. Greg will follow up with Comcast. The Volleyball default judgement of \$320 for filing fee was legitimate. Greg filed for a hearing to move to vacate the default. Hearing is set for Oct 26. Josh and Greg will attend hearing.

3. Marketing Update:

Discussion: Matt and Brian have been reaching out to identify members for marketing sub-committee. The goal is to have a diversified the group. Ideal candidate is a marketing professional who has time to contribute to the committee. Matt will write up a candidate profile and send to board tomorrow. Board members will forward to Commissioners to see if they have members who fit profile. Forward recommendations to Matt and Brian.

4. HOF

Discussion: Brian Kupersmit is out of town. Mike will reach out to Brian next week to ask if he wants to lead the committee again this year. If Brian is not interested, Mike will appoint a new lead by next meeting.

5. Park Update/ Clarendon Field House:

Discussion: Redlines have been approved for 5 year agreement. Board is waiting for Dana to send back signed contract. We have 2 special events that we book in advance. Pride Bowl, Pride on the Pitch. Mike will research available dates for a Golf Tournament at Sydney Marovitz Gold Course or Robert Black Golf Course.

6. Partner/events Update

Discussion:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Confirmed Event: November 30, 2017- Lincoln Park Zoo Lights-Holiday. This is an adult's only event at Lincoln Park Zoo. Event is opportunity for members to mingle/hang out with other members of CMSA. Zoo is decorated for holidays, zoo serves alcohol at this event. CMSA members will be given a discount code for 20% off. Members will purchase their own ticket through the zoo link. Event will likely sell out. Possible ideas for next year Lincoln Park Zoo Lights- Zoo has several small private spaces throughout the zoo that we can rent. Example: Small mammal house, cost \$1500. Board agreed to gauge the interest in 2017 and keep possibility of renting private space at zoo for 2018.
- Hawks vs Bulls game event- Hawks tickets are very expensive so it may be tough to get enough interest. Klem is planning a basketball league Bulls night. Board would like to work with Klem to open event to all CMSA members. Once date is determined, we will open to CMSA and then seek out bar sponsors, etc.
- Skate Ribbon- Jay will do more research on a Skate Ribbon event.

7. Annual Party

Discussion: Christina finalized contract with Cat Fight. Contract with Cubby Bear was finalized last month. Committee needs to work on save the date flier and invite. Save the date should be emailed within the next 2 weeks. The new design needs to pop the venue change. Committee will brainstorm entertainment lineup; DJ, host. Possible ideas; Ms. Fozzi, Laura B, drag queens. Jonathon will work on picture gallery for TV's and will also

incorporate sponsor logos on TV's. Matt will investigate if Chicago sports team mascots can make an appearance at party. Bulls- Benny, Hawks-Tommy Hawk, Cubs-Clark

8. Women's Flag Football Incident: Commissioner, Julie Norris, reviewed with the board an incident that occurred during a Women's Flag Football game on October 1<sup>st</sup>, where (3) players were involved in a fight. All 3 players were ejected from game and subsequently suspended for 1-2 extra games. Suspensions were based on the player's level of involvement in fight. As of the date of this meeting, all player suspensions have been served. Julie will continue to update the board if any further actions need to be addressed.
9. Sin City Classic: Matt asked the board to approve allocating funds from marketing budget to pay for CMSA t-shirts. Shirts will be given to members who travel to Las Vegas for Sin City Classic to help promote CMSA.  
Discussion: Sin City Classic in Las Vegas is the largest LGBT sporting event in the country featuring 24 sports and over 9000 athletes. Event is held January 11-14, 2018. Approx. 80-100 CMSA members go out Las Vegas for the event. Matt would like to have a Sin City send-off party to hand out t-shirts to members to wear in Vegas promoting CMSA sports and CMSA tournaments. Gay Bowl, Pride on the Pitch, Senior Cup. Matt will provide board with shirt cost and approx. number of shirts (+/-125) and logo to board at next month's meeting. Matt will also secure a table at Sin City opening party to promote CMSA and tournaments. Plan is to bring fliers, bracelets and possibly provide discount code to register for tournaments.
10. Questions/concerns from Membership
  1. Brian Sommer: Will the Board re-consider when the CMSA annual fee is paid? Board Response: The member fee is paid per fiscal year. No option to change.
  2. Mark Sakalares-Will board consider a discount for new members. \$10 off new player fee or 1/2 off of his player fees for new members. Board will discuss in January.

### **NEW BUSINESS/CLOSE:**

1. Open Forum:
  - Treasurer recommends revising the CMSA travel reimbursement. Reimbursement was previously was \$7K. Treasurer's new proposed breakdown is \$2500 travel reimbursement open football and \$2000 for women's softball. Women's Flag Football will no longer get travel reimbursement. Women's softball has gotten for not going to national meetings. Motion to Approve: Christina; Second; Matt
  - Mike will spend time to plan preliminary golf tournament.
  - Website is not pulling up registration properly. Michael will investigate the link.
2. Feedback and Close
3. Next Meeting: December 7, 2017 at 7pm. Location TBD.

Motion to Adjourn: Jonathon  
Second: Julie  
Meeting Adjourned: 8:51