

Athletic Management Network Meeting Minutes

Date: 9/28

Location: Plymouth Community Center

Attendees:

Courtney John – Saint Paul	Bob Kojetin – Edina (retired)
Mitchell Czech – Chanhassen	Warren Ellingworth – Elk River
Scott Heitkamp – Burnsville	Tillery Bailey - New Brighton
Chris Morrow – Maple Grove	Sherry Dvorak - Shakopee
David Peters – Roseville	Dan Lauer - Plymouth
Jarod Meyer – Duluth	Brice Richter - Fridley
Jim Lombardi – St. Louis Park	Liz Jarosz - Shoreview
Patrick Reese – Brooklyn Center	Nate Monahan - Blaine
Ryan Gunderson – Coon Rapids	
Trevor Magnuson - Moorehead	Seth Liberman – Ankored
Andy Singleton - Champlin	
Mary Beth - Eagan	

Meeting called to order by Courtney John at 8:32am

Agenda Items:

- Athletic Management Institute
 - Wednesday, November 29
 - Variety of topics to discuss regarding to current trends and things happening in the sports world.
 - Registration is not open yet but coming soon!
- Meritorious Award
 - Courtney John nominated.
 - If you have other nominations, email them to Courtney. A link to vote will be provided at the next meeting.
- Appointing 2024 Vice-Chair
 - If you are interested in becoming Vice-Chair for 2024, email Courtney. A link to vote for the 2024 vice-chair will be provided at the next meeting.

Additions to Agenda:

- Gift cards for adult league winners?
 - Many cities are not able to give gift cards to league winners anymore.
 - St. Paul does cash for tournaments (long drawn out process)
 - Eagan does gift cards or credit towards next registration
 - Credits can cause issues because accounts aren't balanced out by the end of the year.
 - If teams don't come back it can cause troubles.
 - League of Minnesota Cities came out with guidance recently – connect with your finance director as they will likely have more information.
- Ankored
 - Focused on taking administrative burned off of the shoulders of staff.
 - Free for local government (have to buy background checks).
 - Can migrate existing data & automate to make the process easier for coaches, staff, etc.

- Adult League Behavioral Issues
 - Since COVID, there has been a rise in behavioral issues among adult sports.
 - Suggestions include...
 - Issue fines/suspension for fights.
 - Manager is also ejected if the player is ejected.
- Youth Sports Participation
 - Difficult trend of competitive associations & recreation sports competing.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, October 10 at 10:30am via Zoom