



Greetings Somerset Basketball Families,

At the annual meeting on June 9, the SBA elected new officers and board members for the 2015-2016 season. I have the privilege of serving as the new SBA President alongside Jake Cook, Vice President; Michelle Monty, Treasurer; and Beth Dendinger, Secretary. We want to express our deepest gratitude to the previous President, Ted Germain, and Treasurer/Secretary, Jay Emmert, for their dedication and countless hours of service to the SBA and youth basketball over the years.

Our Mission

On behalf of the SBA Board, we are all excited to be involved in supporting basketball in Somerset. The SBA's mission is to provide opportunities for boys in the Somerset community to learn and play basketball. The SBA focuses on building fundamental skills, teamwork, competitive spirit, and good sportsmanship. Our goals are to continue to offer youth basketball programs such as Shooting Stars and middle school traveling teams; keep membership fees low through sponsorship and fund-raising, and increase awareness and membership in our community.

Stay Informed

I encourage you to stay informed by attending an SBA meeting or following us on social media. We welcome anyone to attend our monthly SBA meeting on the 2nd Monday at 7:30 pm. Like us on Facebook or visit the SBA website (www.somersetbasketballassociation.net) often to receive meeting reminders as well as other news, announcements, and photos.

Be Involved

There are many opportunities throughout the year to support the SBA. For example, volunteers are needed to sell tickets or concessions at tournaments, work at the annual golf outing, or even coach a youth team. Unlike many sports associations, the SBA has never charged a fee for not volunteering and that will not change. Please consider how you can support the SBA. We greatly appreciate your donations and time.

The 20th annual SBA Golf Tournament is Saturday, September 19th at Bristol Ridge Golf Course. The golf tournament is our biggest fundraiser of the year. The money we raise is used to keep membership fees for our youth programs low and to support the Somerset high school program. We need your support to make the golf event a huge success. You can register a foursome to play, help procure sponsors, or volunteer to help at the event. Also, high school students who volunteer will earn credit for their high school community service hours. Watch the SBA website and Facebook page for information on how to register, volunteer, or donate.

The SBA relies on the generosity of the parents, players, and members of the Somerset community to continue to provide basketball opportunities for our youth. Again, we appreciate your participation and support.

I look forward to seeing you at the SBA golf tournament and to another great year of Somerset basketball.

Sincerely,

Aaron Rivard
SBA President