**West Hartford Girls Lacrosse**

**December 5, 2017**

**West Hartford Town Hall**

In attendance: Beth Fernandez, Jen Druckenmiller, Melissa Dempsey, Kathleen Wiggenhauser, Leslie Silvers, Louise Teodosio, Cara Moylan

Meeting called to order by Beth Fernandez at 6:40 pm.

Beth Fernandez introduced Louise Teodosio who volunteered to be Treasurer.

* MOTION – To confirm Louise Teodosio to become Treasurer and replace Nicole Nelson.

VOTED - Passed

Minutes for the previous meeting were review.

* MOTION – Adopt the meeting minutes with one revision – Leslie Silvers is the Senior Division Coordinator. No Senior Division coordinator is needed.

VOTED - Passed

Changes to the bylaws were discussed.

* MOTION – To accept the following revisions to the bylaws defining “qualified member” in Article 5- Membership as follows:

Qualified member means:

* Incoming 1-8 grade girls, and
* Residing in West Hartford,
* Or if spots are available, residing in a bordering town which does not have a lacrosse program.
* A child who does not live in West Hartford but who was registered prior to the 2018 season but does not live in West Hartford is not subject to this rule.

VOTED – PASSED

Players playing out of their division was briefly discussed. Jen Druckenmiller will send out a league wide email so that all parents know that it will no longer be allowed.

The following Board positions were discussed.

* Treasurer - Louise Teodosio was voted in as Treasurer.
* Vice President – Melissa Dempsey has volunteered to help until a permanent replacement can be found.
* Junior Division Coordinator - Michelle Rosado has volunteered but was unable to make the meeting.
* Instructional Division - Drew McElroy has expressed interest. Cara Moylan also said that she would assist.
* Equipment Managers - Deb Ross and Jen O’Connell have volunteered. This will not be a Board position.
* Marketing – not yet filled
* Website – not yet filled

Beth discussed the limitations in finding indoor space. The Glastonbury space is small, there is there is currently nothing at the Bubble, and Hall, Conard, and K.O. space is not available. Suggestions were made to ask FSA, Trinity or Loomis Chafee.

The Board discussed spending the league’s surplus funds. The funds will be used for four clinics for the entire league and coaching development. Louise will create a budget. The possibility of using a portion of the funds for practice pinnies was discussed. Beth will get a price for the pinnies.

Reports from the division coordinators were given.

* Senior – Leslie reported that coaches are needed, there will probably be four teams, and changes in bylaws will hopefully settle issues that emerged last year. Jen will send blast email about changes to conflict day request.
* Junior – If Michelle needs support, Leslie will help.
* Bantam – Kathleen reported that 84 girls will be the cutoff. Beth said that there will be plenty of small goals at Duffy.
* Instructional – 84 girls is registration cutoff. U.S. Lacrosse is suggesting playing 4v4 with no goalie and on the same field size as Bantam. The focus is on major fouls, there is no draw, after a goal defense given ball to clear, no score is kept, one pass rule, and 1v1 defense. Beth will look into it further to determine if it is feasible for the league to move in this direction or keep the current format.

Coaching Update – The Board discussed that coaching registration has not yet been set up. Coordinators will continue to recruit coaches.

Registration Update was provided by Jen Druckenmiller. The following are the current registration numbers:

* Instructional – 9
* Bantam - 27
* Junior - 18
* Senior - 37

Beth reported that the League Athletic payment for website hosting is $375 and that it will be paid.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.