

# WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL BOYS LACROSSE ASSOCIATION

## Minutes of November 15, 2016 Board Meeting

Members present: V. Smith, B. Fortier, I. O'Hearn, H. Valentine, K. Lucchesi, C. Larsen

Via conference call: R. Amell, D. Hummel and G. Hill

Absent: R. Hawley

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM

### 1680 Approval of September Minutes

The September minutes were distributed via email prior to the meeting.

**MOTION: It was moved by D.H. and seconded by R.A. to approve the September minute. In favor 7. Opposed 0. Motion carried.**

### 1681 Executive Secretary transition

WHSBLA checking account will be moving to BECU to save account fees. QuickBooks needs to be purchased for Catie.

### 1682 Update on Metro Rep

Ian reported that Drew Wright told him that Chris Hartley conceded and will withdraw his name as a candidate for the Metro Rep position. Chris must contact Vern to make it official. With Chris withdrawing, Vern will call for a new vote for regional representative.

### 1683 Mountain View Lacrosse Update

Though the Mountain View Lacrosse Club has been established, Brandon discussed several legitimate factors as to why they simply will not be able

to field a team this Spring. As such, any Mountain View student athletes will remain with the Union program for 2017 season.

1684 Mt. Vernon Lacrosse Update

Greg reported that Mt. Vernon will not be fielding a team for the 2017 season. They are hoping to do so in 2018. The players will remain with Burlington.

1685 Mead Lacrosse Update

Dylan talked to Kevin Bacon who is hoping to recruit enough players for the 2017 season. If they are able to form a team, they will be managed under the same board as Mt. Spokane. If they do not split, they understand that they will be ineligible for post season play. They are going to schedule games for Mead just in case.

1686 **MOTION: It was moved by B.F. and seconded by H.V. to formally accept Ferris High School, Montesano High School and Orting High Schools as provisional teams under WHSBLA for the 2017 season. Orting shall not be allowed to include players from Graham Kapowsin.**

**In favor 7. Opposed 0. Motion carried.**

1687 Conference Alignment Update

**MOTION: It was moved by V.S. and seconded by R.A. to accept the Conference Alignment as proposed by B.F.**

**In favor 7. Opposed 0. Motion carried.**

Changes:

- 1) Rename Puget - Pierce as simply Puget Sound (a combo of NPSL and SPSL)
- 2) Rename Olympic -South Sound to simply "Olympic"
- 3) Move Olympia to Puget Sound
- 4) Create new conference called Pierce County w/ following 6 teams:  
  
Bethel, Bonney Lake, Stadium (all 3A schools actually in Pierce County League)  
  
Orting, White River (2A schools taken out of Puget Sound)  
  
Montensano (1A school)

#### 1688 Montesano Early Classroom Request

Ray Cristobal requested a waiver for the Montesano Lacrosse club for classroom training prior to the start of the season. He will be asked to send his player roster with years of lacrosse experience (including youth play) before a decision will be made.

#### 1689 Scheduling Update

The deadline for blackout dates was 11/15. B.F. will be sending out the next step of scheduling. Preliminary schedules will be in Sportability by December 1.

Region 5/R.A. has the new Pierce conference giving him a very large region to handle. Region 4/R.H. has a very small region to oversee.

**MOTION: It was moved by V.S. and seconded by H.V. to move the Greater St. Helens conference to Region 4.**

**In favor 7. Opposed 0. Motion carried.**

#### 1690 Henry Johnson Appeal

Members for the appeal review board have still not been finalized. Kathi will ask Doug Aubert, AD from ARHS, to be on it. Rod is asking Terry Jenks, Curtis AD. H.V. hopes to have a decision the first week of December.

1691 S. Walsh and M. Walsh Transfer Request

The Sean and Max Walsh transfer request was presented and discussed. The boys are transferring from Henry M Jackson (Public) High School to Archbishop (Private) High School with no mention of hardship.

**MOTION: It was moved by V.S. and seconded by I.O. to approve the request by S. Walsh and M. Walsh to be eligible for varsity at Archbishop Murphy High School.**

**In favor 0. Opposed 6. B.F. Abstained. Motion Failed therefore the Walsh boys will be eligible to play sub-varsity only.**

1692 D. Sawyer Transfer Request

The Danny Sawyer transfer request was presented and discussed. Sawyer is moving from Bellarmine Prep (Private) to Gig Harbor (Public) High School due to financial hardship.

**MOTION: It was moved by H.V. and seconded by I.O. to approve the request by D. Sawyer to be eligible for varsity at Gig Harbor High School.**

**In favor 7. Opposed 0. Motion Passed.**

1693 Championship Committee Status Report

Brooke is on board to help with the championship for 2017. Kathi will also be a part of the committee. It was discussed that there needs to be a separation of fans in the stands. The facility has been reserved. With the new league alignment and championships added, four new trophies will be

needed. There was a discussion of what to do with the current DI and DII Championship trophies. I.O. and R.H. will make a decision.

#### 1694 Team Registration – Coaches Packets

Henry is continuing to look into an alternate online team registration system and will report back. It was also suggested that the league hire a high school student to verify documents as they are submitted by programs.

#### 1695 Survey Monkey for voting

It was agreed that Survey Monkey will be used for voting when there is a board vote. H.V. will pursue this.

#### 1696 New NFHS Rules

All new changes to the NFHS Rules have been accepted and will be adopted by WHSBLA.

#### 1697 Uniformity of Helmets and Gloves

**MOTION: It was moved by H.V. and seconded by G.H. that all teams who were D2 during the 2016 season and any brand new team will have a one year grace period before abiding to the current helmet and glove uniformity rule.**

**In favor 7. Opposed 0. Motion carried.**

#### 1698 December Board Meeting

The December meeting of the WHSBLA board is set for Tuesday, Dec. 6th,  
at 6:30 PM.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm.

Catie Larsen

Executive Secretary