

WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL BOYS LACROSSE ASSOCIATION

Minutes of January 25, 2010 Board Meeting

1105: The Board meeting of the Washington High School Boys Lacrosse Association was held Monday, January 25, at 6:30pm Issaquah High School, 700 2nd Ave Se Issaquah, WA. Present were Vern Smith, Brandon Fortier, Ian O'Hearn and Daniela Colter. Present by Skype were Rob Hawley, Kevin Martin and Peter White (online at 7:00pm). Absent: Ryan Kelly

1106: Daniela presented the 2010 budget. Over 25 programs have sent in their registration fees.

1107: There was a lengthy discussion concerning South Kitsap Lacrosse Club's request to practice early since many players are new and there is a small number of committed players. Rob will contact SKLC.

MOTION: The Board approves South Kitsap Lacrosse Club's request to practice early based on the fact that the team has many new players. Request approved 5-0.

1108: There was a discussion regarding Woodinville Lacrosse Club's request to practice early. Vern will contact WLC.

MOTION: The Board denies Woodinville Lacrosse Club's request to practice based on the fact that many players have high school experience. Request denied 5-0.

1109: There was a discussion concerning Mt Si Lacrosse Club's petition to practice early. Kevin will contact MSLC.

MOTION: The Board approves Mt. Si Lacrosse Club's request to practice early since most of the players are inexperienced. Request approved 5-0.

1110: There was a discussion regarding Lake Tapps' petition to grant permission for one Sunday practice before their first game. There are only ten eligible practices before Lake Tapps' first game and being able to practice on a Sunday would allow a cushion in case a player(s) cannot attend one of the practices.

MOTION: The Board denies Lake Tapps' Club's petition to add one Sunday practice before their first game based on the fact that it is not allowed in WIAA. When possible, WHSBLA follows all WIAA rules and regulations. Lake Tapps has the right to move the game to a Saturday or another date. Motion denied 5-0. One abstention.

- 1112: Peter will contact Nick Hunter regarding petition #72 to play for Woodinville Lacrosse Club.
- 1113: No action at this time required regarding the expelled student from Bellarmine. He has been reinstated to the school.
- 1114: Dan Lee's petition states that he currently lives in Lakewood but travels to and from Cirque Park for tutoring and would like to play for Tacoma instead of Highland since it would be less travel time for him. He has played for Tacoma the last couple of years but has since moved and now attends Beamer High School. Kevin will contact Dan Lee.

MOTION: Lee Petition #73 is denied based on school attendance. Petition denied 6-0.

- 1115: Parker McPhetridge's petition states that he currently is homeschooled but would be part of the Monroe School District. He would like to play for Providence Lacrosse Club instead of Snohomish Lacrosse Club since he has played for PLC in the past and is in his senior year.

MOTION: McPhetridge Petition #74 is denied based on residency and cannot be grandfathered because Providence was not part of WHSBLA last year. Petition denied, 6-0.

- 1116: Dave Holler, head coach for King's Way Lacrosse Club sent in a request to be excused from the mandatory coach's meeting in February due to previous work commitments. The board received a detail explanation of his work commitments. A representative from King's Way will be present at the meeting.

MOTION: Dave Holler's request to be excused from the mandatory head coach's meeting is approved. Request approved 6-0.

- 1117: The agenda for the February 6th meeting was discussed and the following items and time allowance was approved:
- a. WALOA has been invited to speak at the meeting and will be given 10 minutes.
 - b. USL has been invited to speak at the meeting and will be granted 10 minutes.
 - c. Mike McQuaid, the Public Relations representative will be given no more than 20 minutes to explain his role.
 - d. First Aid/CPR presentation: no time will be given for this since the USL Convention is being held on Jan 30-31, 2010 at Eastside Catholic and

there is an opportunity for coaches to attend the First Aid/CPR presentation at this convention.

- e. Brandon will present a sample of what is expected for each coach to have on hand at each game. The presentation will be no more than 10 minutes.
- f. Ian will discuss the article found in Inside Lacrosse on how to develop a lacrosse program from youth to high school. A copy of the article, West Islip-Meet New York's Newest High School will be given to the membership. No more than 5 minutes is required.
- g. Ian will explain why the Championship Day has been moved from May 22nd to May 29th.

1118: The USL WA chapter has asked WHSBLA to provide an Events Coordinator for the Championship Day games. This person will work closely with Ron Wright. The Board will ask the membership for an interested candidate. The Stealth program will also be contacted. The board also discussed having a DI and DII All-Star game prior to the Championship games. Vern will contact Kris Synder to let him know that WHSBLA will attempt to provide an Events Coordinator.

1119: The Board will give twelve field passes to the teams in the championship game.

1120: Several possible ideas were discussed for hosting the DII All-Star game since the Battle of Bothell will no longer include high school games. Those included the Tahoma Invitational, Washington Games (same weekend as Battle of Bothell) and the WHSBLA Championship Day.

1121: Tony Olney has advised the Board that a petition has again been filed with the WIAA to make both boys and girls lacrosse a sanctioned sport.

1122: Griffen Bennett, a former Bellevue lacrosse player would like to highlight high school lacrosse in its sports coverage on the local Fox Sports television network. Ian will contact him and invite him to the coach's meeting. WHSBLA will support all PR efforts.

1123: The All-League selection meeting will be held on May 16th from 12:00pm – 3:00 pm at SPU. The previous minutes stated May 15th.

1124: The next Board meeting will be held on February 22nd, 2010 at IHS in Brandon Fortier's classroom.

1125: There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.

Daniela Colter

Executive Secretary