

10/08/13 Board Meeting

Thursday, October 03, 2013
9:16 AM

INDIANA YOUTH LACROSSE ASSOCIATION MONTHLY MEETING OCTOBER 8, 2013 AGENDA

Attending:

Chriss Cheatham, Danny Gray, Rob Green
Brendon/Deneen Fitzgerald - North Deanery
Jason Koles, Brownsburg
Greg Buckhout, Carmel

Phone:

Leslie Sherman
Terry Roberts - Noblesville
Scott Kriege - North Deanery
Pete Snyder - Fishers

WELCOME

Review of upcoming meeting dates, times and location. This information can also be found on the IYLA website: www.indianayouthlacrosse.org

Upcoming Meetings (2nd Tuesday):

Tuesday, November 12, 2013
Tuesday, December 10, 2013
Tuesday, January 14, 2014

Location

Foster Hall at Park Tudor
7022 N. College Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46240

OLD BUSINESS

Reading of the minutes of the last meeting, September 10, 2013 by IYLA Secretary Rob Green.
Amendments/Corrections
Approval of the minutes

League Athletics has begun transferring information from our existing website. Hoping to have it fully tested and launched by December 10th.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Announcement:** With regard to the progress pertaining to implementing the League Athletics website, LA has been contacted and a trial website has been initiated. Once the content of the current IYLA website has been transferred into the new LA website it will be reviewed and

assessed. It is our hope to have the website go live by the December 10, 2013 IYLA Monthly Meeting.

- **Announcement:** The date has been set for the 2014 IYLA Annual & Scheduling Meeting.

Saturday, February 22, 2014
Park Tudor School
7022 N. College Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46220

- **Announcement:** The dates for the US Lacrosse Level 1 and Level 2 Coaching Clinics are set for Saturday and Sunday February 22 & 23, 2014. Carmel will be hosting these clinics and will be providing specific details in the weeks to come.
 - This will be the same weekend as the scheduling meeting, so programs are asked to make sure any coaches that attend the training be represented at the scheduling meeting.
- **Discussion:** North Deanery Catholic Lacrosse will present additional information regarding their desire to form a youth lacrosse club.

Letter from Martin Brown re: Northside's response to North Deanery Catholic Lacrosse was read by Chriss expressing support for the new program if some limitations were in place.

Brendon brought some additional details:

- New Name: Catholic Lacrosse Club of Indianapolis (CLCI)
- Have 4 board members engaged
- Will not involve girls in this organization (decided by the girls program organizers)
- North Deanery, church based parish program only - out of respect for Northside program
- Children will need to make a 1 time choice of Northside or CLCI
- 3rd - 8th grade male with a North Deanery parishioner family
 - ▶ Draws from 9 churches (not St Simon)
- Methods of enrollment (1 of 3 vetting processes)
 - ▶ Giving statement to parish
 - ▶ Parish letterhead stating family in good standing
 - ▶ Must be listed in Parish directory (published annually)
- Allowing exception from IYLA ER requirement to play with closest program available (particularly St. P, St. Luke, St Mathews)
- Have field locations already arranged
- Coaches will be L1 certified by end of 2nd season
- Coaches will not be allowed to move up with their team year after year
- Marketing/Communication director established
- Plan to have US Lax liaison
- Already issued a call out with a response of 48 interested (includes 12 new players, from all churches except 2)

Discussion Points:

- Concern about the 1 time choice - It was responded that if kids can bounce - they may choose to leave to play with a better program
- Concerned about families that incur family changes, including financial hardship and changing churches
- Concerns were expressed with the ease of changing churches
- Concern was expressed that a church based organization creates a lot of overlap with other programs
- It was stated that this opportunity is shedding light on some possible concerns with the ER

- that may need to be revisited
- Chriss noted that this issue is a valuable and beneficial issue for the league to be dealing with and has thanked CLCI for their professional and open approach with their application. She restated the IYLA is all about growth, and this issue is not really about CLCI, or any of the other programs that desire to join the IYLA, it is about the responsibility of the board to structure a league that enhances growth fairly and equitably.
 - Discussion was raised about voting before the ER has been revisited
 - ▶ Concern was discussed that the rules may not support a church based program
 - ▶ Concern was discussed that the CLCI may move forward with their program while the ER are likely to change
 - ▶ Concern was discussed for how Northside would feel about possible ER changes and this new program since they are greatly affected, but not able to make this meeting
 - ▶ Brendon stated that he would prefer a vote today - even if it is contingent. They will join as either church or school based program.

Vote: Cheatham motion to vote CLCI as a member, contingent on continued ER eligibility
Koles seconds

Fishers - yes

Noblesville - abstain until after ER is visited

Brownsburg - yes

Zionsville - yes

Brownsburg is looking for used goals for their new program.

Meeting adjourned.