Arizona Girls Lacrosse Association

Board of Directors Meeting
December 7th, 2011 @ 7pm
Granite Reef Senior Center
1700 N. Granite Reef Rd, Scottsdale, AZ 85257
(just north of McDowell between Hayden and the 101)

Minutes

1. Roll Call  
   - Sign-In and Introductions  
     A. Conference call attendees – Nick Adler, Flagstaff & Brett Costelow, Hamilton

2. Reading / Approval of 11-2-11 BOD Meeting  
   A. Minutes approved

3. Report of elected officers  
   A. Financial Report  
      i. Financial statement available for review.

4. Report of Standing Committees  
   A. AZ Chapter of USL Update  
   B. SWR  
      i. Need people to assist; one representative per team. Planning, Communication (registration & press release), Field prep/weekend activities.  
      ii. Feb 25-26, 2012  
      iii. Westside Sports Complex in Avondale.  
      iv. Flagstaff may be interested.  
   C. Other

5. Old Business  
   A. Scheduling feedback  
      i. Flagstaff is looking to reschedule a few games the weekend of Best of West in Las Vegas and Friday games.  
      ii. Next year – it was recommended that JV teams not use automated scheduling, as this made it more difficult to reschedule games to create double header with Varsity game. Automated process preferred by those teams that do not like double headers and may be preferred by teams that do not have a Varsity program.

6. New Business  
   A. Upcoming events
i. Training – Don Paulson from Desert Mountain will provide training. Classroom prior to SWR and Game setting at SWR. Char Hart to work with Don to identify a date in mid-February. In past, two classroom sessions were conducted. Saturday class was better attended than mid-week class.

ii. Level 3 certification – February 2012 in San Diego – Postponed. Date TBD.

iii. Player & Coaches clinic – March 31, 2012
   a. East Coast teams will be in Arizona.
   b. Jessica Livingston to coordinate. Tentative location – Reach 11.

7. Open Discussion
   A. Tim Kowal, Horizon D2 scorekeeper, passed away last week. Tim was father of Courtney Kowal (graduated 2011). Will send card and donation to Tim’s memorial on behalf of the league.
   B. Adrianne Wagner is experiencing some health issues and may need to take some time off. Help is needed with SWR.
   C. Hamilton team – practicing 5 days/week. Schedule OK.
   D. Committee Descriptions
      i. See attached document. Thank you, Kerrilyn, for putting this together.
      ii. Intent is to grow the league and increase exposure to lacrosse.
      iii. Should there be penalties ($$ or game time penalty) for non-participation?
         PRO
            a. May create more involvement
         CON
            b. If there is a penalty, it is not “volunteering”.
            c. Some teams have only a couple active members, who are kept busy just keeping the team intact.
      iv. Scholarship Committee
         a. Dave Connell committee chair
      v. Fundraising Committee
         a. Dave Connell committee chair
         b. Philosophy – Fund growth & Reduce Fees
   E. 2012 Code of Conduct document
      i. Added Liability clause for 2012 document.
      ii. AGLA is recommending that each team have at least one CPR & First Aid certified coach. ALGA will reimburse up to two coaches per team to take the training. To receive reimbursement, the CPR class must be taken through HeartSavers and the course must be completed by 12/31/11. (See November 2011 Board Meeting Minutes for additional information.)
      iii. 2012 League Paperwork – Jessica Livingston has offered to automate this process. Concern was expressed regarding parents vs kids signing, collection of league fees, and changes to existing team processes. Based on concerns raised, it was decided to proceed with paper based process for 2012 season.
   F. Reach 11
      i. Rod Chamberlin still trying to schedule Friday night games at Reach 11. Rod will work with teams individually.

8. Adjourn Meeting
   A. Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm
## Attendees:

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CC – Conference Call
AGLA Standing Committees from the AGLA By-Laws
As outlined in the AGLA By-Laws “ARTICLE VIII: STANDING COMMITTEES”:

- Section 1. All AGLA Standing Committees shall be defined by the President, at any time during the pre-season, regular season, or post-season. As appropriate, the term of each Standing Committee shall not extend past the current post-season.
- Section 2. Each Standing Committee may elect its own Chairperson.
- Section 3. Any member of the Board of Directors may serve as a Standing Committee member or Chairperson.
- Section 4. Standing Committees shall meet at a regular frequency and shall report all activity at each Board of Directors meeting as appropriate.

Committee Guidelines and Committee Descriptions
Proposed by Kerrilynn Gallagher

Committee Guidelines

I. Standing Committees
   A. All Star Committee
   B. Fundraising Committee
   C. Alumni Relations Committee
   D. Service Committee
   E. Growth and Development Committee
   F. Southwest Round Up Committee
   G. Play-Offs Committee
   H. Post-Season Awards Committee
   I. Student Board Committee

II. Membership of Committees
   A. Membership of the committees is comprised of the active Board members of the AGLA. Each Board member must sign up for at least one standing committee. What constitutes an “active member”?
   B. Once committees are formed a “Committee Chair” will be selected by the committee itself. This process can be conducted in an election style or the position can be filled by a volunteer who is already a member of that committee.

III. Accountability of Committees
   A. It is the responsibility of the “Committee Chair” to organize meetings to discuss committee business outside of the AGLA monthly meetings. The Committee Chair
will determine the frequency of these meetings in relationship to current committee projects.

B. All committee updates will be presented to the board and its members during the AGLA monthly meeting. It will be the responsibility of the Committee Chair to present the update at this meeting and the Committee Chair must contact the secretary if there is subject matter that requires allotted time on the agenda.

All committee decisions will be finalized by the Committee Chair and the committee members. The final approval for all decisions will be conducted through the Executive Committee of the AGLA and if necessary voted on by voting members.

Committee Descriptions

A. All Star Committee
The All Star Committee will be comprised of members who will coordinate the selection of player who are named as an All Star at the end of the season. These members will identify all-star coaches, identify all-star goalies, identify number of representatives per team, coordinate with teams to identify remaining representatives, coordinate all activities associated with the all-star game and coordinate awards with the Post-Season Awards Committee. This committee will adhere to the by-laws stated below:

17. All Star Selection Process
An All Star Selection Committee shall be formed with the President residing. The committee will identify two Head Coaches. Head Coaches may bring their Assistant Coaches.

• Goalies to be chosen by statistics, with two goalies per team, the top four goalies would make the All Star Team.
• The remainder of the team be chosen by coaches at the end of the season and broken down as follows:
  - Top two teams in each division will have 6 players in the All Star Game.
  - Middle two teams in each division will have 4 players in the All Star Game.
  - The remainder of the teams in each division will have 2 players in the All Star Game.
• Goalie selection will count towards the number of players in the All Star Game.

• Example: Team A finishes in 1st Place in their division and their goalie makes the All Star game statistically. The Coach of Team A gets to choose 5 more players for the All Star Game, for a total of six (6) from Team A.

B. Fundraising Committee
The primary purpose of the Fundraising Committee is to support the mission, goals, and programs of the AGLA by identifying different avenues to raise money for the AGLA. The Committee will develop both an organizational structure for effective fundraising, and key partnerships in support of the AGLA.

C. Alumni Relations Committee
The primary purpose of the Alumni Relations Committee is to keep the current players of the AGLA in touch with past players. This committee is responsible for at least 4 updates (one per quarter). The updates may include an interview style piece or a brief biography on the post high school activities of a recent graduate. The updates will be featured on the AGLA web site.
D. **Service Committee**
   The purpose of the service committee is to determine activities that AGLA players and coaches can participate in in an effort to give back to the community. The Committee will identify and organize one to two activities per season that are in need of volunteers so that teams can participate. It is the responsibility of the Committee Chair to collect photos of AGLA teams helping at the various events so that the web master may post them on the website.

E. **Growth and Development Committee**
   The purpose of the growth and development committee is to identify new avenues that can be pursued to further communicate and interact with community youth to continue to grow and develop the sport of lacrosse in Arizona. This committee is also responsible to show support of the organizations that are already in place and share upcoming events and if appropriate have events posted on the website.

F. **Southwest Round-Up Committee**
   The purpose of the Southwest Round-Up Committee is to plan and coordinate all activities associated with the tournament including, but not limited to, obtaining fields and equipment, organizing volunteers, coordinating registration, and promoting the tournament.

G. **Play-Offs Committee**
   The Play-Offs Committee will follow the Bylaws regarding Play-Off selection and seeding and help to ensure that the play-off games are scheduled properly. This committee will coordinate all activities associated with the play-offs including, but not limited to, securing of fields and equipment, selection of date/time, and communicating with play-off teams and league.

H. **Post-Season Awards and Senior Scholarship Committee**
   The purpose of the Post-Season Awards Committee is to develop criteria for each award PRIOR to the first game of the season, distribute the criteria to all coaches before the start of the season, coordinate selection of the award winners, and coordinate creation and presentation of all end-of-year awards. The committee is also responsible for a Senior Scholarship Award, including definition of selection criteria and selection of awardee. The Post-Season Awards are stated in the Bylaw excerpt below:

18. **Post-Season Awards** At the conclusion of each regular season (at a date determined by the President) the Board of Directors shall present End of the Year Achievement Awards including, but not limited to, the following:
   • Defensive Player of the Year, Midfield Player of the Year, Offensive Player of the Year, Goalie of the Year, Referee of the Year, Coach of the Year, Sportswoman of the Year
I. Student Board Oversight Committee

The purpose of the Student Board Oversight Committee is to provide oversight and guidance to the Student Board, ensure longevity of the Student Board, and define process and timeline for selection of Student Board members. This oversight committee will assist the Student Board in definition and fulfillment of the board’s objectives, i.e. growth, fundraising, outreach to new teams, and clinics to developing programs.