



## Arizona Girls Lacrosse Association

**Board of Directors Meeting  
February 2nd, 2011 @ 7pm  
Granite Reef Senior Center  
1700 N. Granite Reef Rd, Scottsdale, AZ 85257  
(just north of McDowell between Hayden and the 101)**

### Agenda

1. Roll Call Greg Ritter
  - Sign-In and Introductions
2. Reading / Approval of 1-5-2011 Meeting Minutes Sara Diercks
3. Report of elected officers Drew Wagner  
Brice Samuel
  - A. Financial Report
  - B. Game Reports
    - i. Board met with officials, 2/1/11.
    - ii. Will be similar to last season, with minor modifications.
    - iii. Reports to be completed within 24 hours of game. (Last season timig was 48 hours)
    - iv. Teams will self-report player suspended based on red/yellow cards. Violators will be penalized.  
Player cannot be present at the suspended game.
4. Report of Standing Committees Emily Miller
  - A. Student Board
    - i. Captains dinner – 2/12 - 4:30 to 6pm. Granite Reef Senior Center.
    - ii. Clinic – planning clinic for Monday 2/21 at Estrella.
    - iii. Fund Raising idea packet – creating and providing
    - iv. SWR t-shirts – would like to create/sell t-shirts at SWR. Need to make sure this can be done at the public park.
    - v. Gilbert Tigers former player, Liza Koske, took her life last week. Services Friday at LDS church, Elliott and Lindsey on Friday. Organization Lax for Life is looking into
  - B. SWR Drew Wagner
    - i. Report from Adrienne.
    - ii. Need EMT. If you have anyone, contact Adrienne. Sat 8-6 and Sun 8-2pm.
    - iii. ASU vs Sonoma State – Sat at noon
    - iv. Estrella – will not have enough players. Would like to offer players to other teams.
    - v. Vendors – cannot sell information. Contact Adrienne Wagner.
    - vi. Running clock
    - vii. Are games league or non-league?
      - a. Nothing will be recorded; however this does not excuse teams from playing safe and fair (this is not a frat party!)

- b. Timeframes are not regulation, and games are pre-season
      - c. Red/yellow cards will not apply to regular season.
      - d. Other non-league games (i.e. Bainbridge & Snohomish) – stats were not recorded last year
    - C. AZ Chapter of USL Update Laraine Pizzi
- 5. Old Business Greg Ritter
  - A. League Dues, Paperwork, Mandatory meeting Greg Ritter
    - i. Fees due Friday, 2/4/11, and rosters need to be loaded to the AZGLA website.
  - B. Scorekeeper training Jim Lindsey
    - i. Classroom, Thursday, 2/10, 7 – 9 pm, Granite Reef.
      - a. 7pm Lacrosse 101
      - b. 8pm Stat keeping, Q&A, changes from prior years
    - ii. Hands on, 2/26, 11:45am, SWR during ASU game
  - C. Modified rules Greg Ritter
    - i. Junior high players – may not be able to play due to liability issues. Greg Ritter is contacting insurer, Bollinger, for clarification. Insurance is covered thru USL membership. This insurance is required by officials and fields. Officials are only covered if all players are members of USL. USL does not differentiate between sanctioned and non-sanctioned programs.
    - ii. Modified checking.
      - a. Watched video from USL.
      - b. Two major changes:
        - 1) No checking when stick above shoulder (head of stick).
        - 2) 3 second rule – maintaining good defensive position for 3 seconds will result in turnover.
      - c. Shannon – played modified rules in Maryland. Players learned to back off in the transition.
      - d. Intent is to increase safety. Will force new girls to learn good positioning.
      - e. LadyRox officials may not have had training prior to the tournament weekend.
      - f. Our JV programs are largely made up of 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders; who would play on a middle school program, if AZ had one.
      - g. Play would be to the lowest level. If a D2 team includes an 8<sup>th</sup> grader, their games would be played modified rules.
      - h. Official youth rules – pg 78, 83. Describes the criteria under which a middle schooler can play full checking. (i.e. all coaches Level 1 certified)
      - i. Recommendation: JV – modified; D1 & D2 – full checking. Exception for this year would be for all D2 games to be full checking, even if there is a middle school player.
      - j. Decision – need ruling from Bollinger regarding insurability first. Greg to follow-up with Bollinger.
        - \*\*\* Special meeting to vote on modified vs. full checking will be scheduled for 2/12, 8:30am.
    - iii. Concussions/Safety Awareness
      - a. Officials have final decision on whether player is ready to play. Officials will be trained in concussion awareness. (NFHS.com. This is the same training as

required by AIA.) Officials decision will be in effect through the game or until evaluated by a medical professional.

- b. Coaches are encouraged to take this course. It is very informative, free, and takes only 20 minutes.  
<http://www.nfhslern.com/electiveDetail.aspx?courseID=15000>
- c. 2011 USL Rule book (page 100+). **Suggested** guidelines for management of concussions:
  - 1) Player should not go back into the game or play remainder of day.
  - 2) An athlete with a concussion should receive proper medical attention.
- d. EMTs - decision to forgo EMTs due to lack of value may be reconsidered
- e. CPR certification class – still pursuing, will probably be mid week

## 6. New Business

Greg Ritter

### A. New rules....

- i. Cards hold a stronger weight this year.
- ii. 2 yellows = 1 red.
- iii. One red results in 2 game suspension
- iv. Objective – improve safety of game.
- v. Suspended person, cannot be present at game
- vi. Coaches – responsible for entire bench.
- vii. On 3<sup>rd</sup> and each subsequent card – team will play shorthanded the remainder of the game - one player per card
- viii. Rules established by USLacrosse.  
<http://www.uslacrosse.org/TopNav/NewsandMedia/PressReleases/2011WomensRuleChangesApproved.aspx>

- B. All American & Academic All American - changes are forthcoming for 2011, including a watch list.

## 7. Open Discussion

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- A. New Official's training – Feb 4-5. Open to coaches and new officials. Friday night – classroom training downtown. Saturday at Cochise.
- B. Desert Mountain – field scheduling issues. Will request that some home games be played at the visitor field. Char to send email.
- C. Xavier & Chaparral – playing in Santa Barbara Shootout
- D. Pinnacle – playing at Best of the West
- E. Player eligibility – teams must validate all players meet residency requirements laid out in the by laws (12b). Each team is responsible for confirming the player attends their school or lives in closest proximity to the school.
- F. Sideline management – coaches responsible for managing the sidelines and could result in a yellow card.  
Need method to easily recognize the sideline manager. Bright orange safety vest was proposed. (less than favorably received!) Each team to determine how to make the sideline manager readily visible.

## 8. Adjourn Meeting

***Next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, March 2, 2011, at 7pm***

**Attendees**

<b>Initial Below</b>	<b>Last name</b>	<b>First name</b>	<b>Position *</b>	<b>Voting MAL</b>	<b>Team</b>
x	Amaro	Isauro	Team Mgr / MAL	Y	Mountain Pointe
x	Berns	Sara	Parent/MAL	Y	Corona Del Sol
x	Chamberlin	Rod	Coach / MAL	Y	Pinnacle JV
x	Cocchiola	Rocky	Coach / MAL		Estrella
x	Connell	David	Parent	Y	Desert Vista
x	Diercks	Sara	Secretary / Parent	Y	Pinnacle
x	Eakins	Heather	Coach	Y	Corona
x	Gallegher	Kerrilynn	MAL		Chaparral JV
x	Laub	Stefani	Coach	Y	Horizon Varsity
x	Lindsey	Jim	Coach / WebMaster	Y	Pinnacle
x	Livingston	Jessica	Coach/MAL	Y	Chaparral
x	Lombard	Sharon	Parent/MAL	Y	Gilbert
x	Miller	Emily	Other		
x	Murphy	Tyna	Head Official	Y	Officials
x	Nolan	Shannon	Coach		PCDS
x	Ritter	Greg	President	Y	Pinnacle
x	Sokol	Vicki		Y	Horizon D2
x	Wagner	Adrienne	MAL / Coach	Y	PCDS
x	Warshawsky	Cathie	MAL	Y	Horizon JV