



Arizona Girls Lacrosse Association

Meeting Date: September 4th at 7pm
Meeting Location: Granite Reef Senior Center (1700 N. Granite Reef Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85257)

Minutes

1. Roll Call- Sign-In and Introductions John Walker
 - A. Meeting called to order at 7:06pm.
 - B. Quorum has been met as more than 51% of BOD is present.

2. Reading / Approval of August Meeting Minutes Sara Diercks
 - A. August minutes approved.

3. Report of elected officers Sara Diercks
 - A. Financial Report
 - i. No change to financials since August meeting
 - ii. Expenses due: \$575 to League Athletics (website hoster)

4. Report of Standing Committees Laraine Pizzi
 - A. AZ Chapter of USL Update
 - i. Save the Date – 10/18 & 10/19
 - ii. Mike Murphy – Colgate University Lacrosse, Head Coach is main speaker
 - iii. Saturday, 10/17
 - a. Coaches clinic
 - iv. Friday, 10/18
 - a. Dinner - \$50 / person
 - b. Silent auction – donations being accepted
 - c. Proceeds to fund marketing campaign

 - B. Committee Discussion & Sign-ups All
 - i. Sign-ups received for all committees (see below)
 - a. Public Relations
 - 1) Goal – Marketing
 - b. Growth and Development (including middle school league)
 - 1) Middle school league
 - (i) Bring your own team format may create more interest
 - (ii) Will not prevent 7th and 8th graders to play JV during AGLA season (in the spring)
 - 2) Utah / Arizona challenge
 - (i) Would like to create this in the Fall – not same weekend as Lady Rocs
 - c. Post Season
 - d. Southwest Round-Up
 - 1) Committee to decide timeframe
 - 2) EC has recommended a one day format to be scheduled a couple weeks before season starts

- 3) Proposed date – 2/8
- e. Scheduling
 - 1) City of Phoenix field requests – due 8/30/13
 - 2) Scheduling committee – proposed meeting Saturday, 9/7
 - 3) Draft schedule has been created. Will be reviewed by committee and sent to teams for review prior to scheduling meeting.
 - 4) Friday Night Lights
 - 5) South Side Friday Night Lights - Tempe Sports Complex may be a good venue. Contact Rod if interested.

5. Old Business

John Walker

- A. Coach Openings
 - i. Pinnacle
 - ii. Desert Vista
 - iii. Gilbert
- B. Emily Newman – interested in an assistant coach position. Contact John Walker for information.

6. Bylaw Changes Discussion/Voting

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- A. Transfer by-law change request
 - i. Corona girls shopping for a new team. This is not permitted under current or proposed by-laws. If Corona folds, girls will play for school/program closest to their home.
Note – Six Corona girls attended Hamilton meeting 9/3/13. Hamilton has contacted/notified the EC; Hamilton is aware they cannot recruit and these girls would need to file a transfer request to move teams.
 - ii. Fall ball – No geographic boundaries. Girls can play wherever they would like. Intent is to allow girls to play lacrosse regardless of whether their school/program has a fall session.
 - iii. Intent of by-law
 - a. not allow girls to shop around or coaches to recruit
 - iv. Align with AIA
 - a. Academics – primary goal
 - b. Protect and promote continuity of school program
 - v. Go full AIA – we are in-between. Perhaps we should fully align.
 - vi. Club volleyball allows players to move clubs.
 - vii. Suggestions for Corona to get more players
 - a. Marketing – shopping mall, Starbucks, grocery store
 - b. Girls – wear uniforms to school; talk, talk, talk.
 - viii. With or without the by-law change – any girl transferring teams must submit a transfer request to the EC. Current by-law verbiage:
Transfer Requests: Any coach/team representative that is approached by a player wishing to transfer teams will direct the player to the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors, who in its sole discretion will determine the merits of the transfer request.
 - ix. By-law was discussed but not put to a vote.

7. New Business/Open Discussion

- A. MAL agreement
- B. Discussion of Important Dates for 2013-2014 Season
- C. Bollinger
- D. Southwest Classic
 - i. Date: Nov 17-18, 2013
 - ii. Location: Tempe Sports Complex
 - iii. Officials have not been contacted

8. Adjourn Meeting

A. Meeting adjourned at 8:55pm.

Next scheduled meeting: October 2nd, 2013, 7pm

Meeting Attendees:

Amaro	Sarah	Team Mgr	N	Mountain Pointe
Barden	Jessica	Coach	Y	Chaparral
Bebout	Caitlin	Coach	Y	Xavier Varsity
Best	Stacy	Parent	alt	Notre Dame Prep
Chamberlin	Rod	2nd VP/Coach	N	Pinnacle
Diercks	Sara	Treasurer	N	
Frey	Greg	Coach	alt	Pinnacle
Gallagher	Kerrilynn	Secretary/Coach	Y	Chaparral JV
Lewis	Kristy	Parent	N	Horizon D2
Lowe	Nancy	MAL	Y	Corona
Miller	Rob	Parent	Y	Desert Vista
Nichols	Mark	Coach	N	Hamilton
Nolan	Shannon	Coach	N	Horizon
Rogal	Leslie	Official	Y	N/A
Rood	Nelson	Parent/MAL	alt	Desert Mountain
Smith	Elaine	Parent	Y	Pinnacle
Walker	Gwen	Parent	alt	Horizon
Walker	John	President	N	Exec Committee
Woodard	Jon	Parent	Y	Chaparral

Committee Signups:

Public Relations Committee

1. Create a marketing plan to market AGLA games, fundraisers, etc to media outlets
2. Alumni Relations: Interview a graduate of the AGLA who is now playing at the collegiate level to share her story on the AGLA website, 2 per year.
3. Work with webmaster to have the AGLA website up-to-date and current with photos, activities, and other important information regarding the AGLA

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Shannon Nolan	Horizon - Coach	Shannondnolan@me.com	443-871-7882
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Growth and Development Committee

1. Work on developing a "Team Roadmap" for newly formed teams to ensure a successful program
2. 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 enacted and share upcoming events and if appropriate have events posted on the website.
3. Service: determine activities that AGLA players and coaches can participate in in an effort to give back to their respective communities. Although the ALGA is large, it is important to have a lacrosse presence in each community. 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.

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Southwest Round Up Committee

1. Ensure that all planning associated with the tournament is executed in an effective and efficient manner.
2. Finding fields, vendors, out of state teams
3. Be onsite during the weekend to ensure the tournament is executed effectively and efficiently

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Post Season Committee

1. Play Offs: Ensure the following the Bylaws stated regarding Play-Off selection and seeding and help to ensure that the play-off games are scheduled properly. The frequency of committee meetings, committee meeting agendas, as well as time needed during AGLA Board meetings will be determined by the Committee Chair.
2. Post Season Awards: develop criteria for each award PRIOR to the first game of the season and to distribute the criteria to all coaches before the start of the season. The committee is also responsible for a Senior Scholarship Award, which is scholarship given to a senior player who plans on playing lacrosse at the collegiate level. The Post-Season Awards are stated in the Bylaws.
3. Be on site to help with Play Off games
4. Be on site to help with the All Star Game

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Scheduling Committee

1. Coordinate the game schedule for the season. This committee should gather specific “blackout” dates for teams as well as have a “blackout” date for the first Wednesday of every month so that more coaches can attend the AGLA meeting. The Scheduling Committee should also create a system for game changes once the schedule is final.
2. Establish a system for all game changes to be handled promptly and properly

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