

3 Rivers Lacrosse
March 9, 2016
Board Meeting Minutes

1. Opening Remarks- Meeting began at 6:30pm at the Mid-Columbia Library in Kennewick on Union Street.

2. Board Roll Call- Phil Gallagher, Lisa Havens, Taunya Andrews, Chad Wright. Board Members Not In Attendance- Shannon Sullivan & Melanie Bachart. Additional People in Attendance- Ron Havens, Phil Pinard from the City of Richland, Dan Gaspar.

3. Welcome to Phil Pinard with the City of Richland. Contract with the City of Richland for our use of Badger Mountain Park. Discussion- Phil Pinard- New guidelines for Badger Mountain Park. This is the City's first attempt at this. He realizes there will be many revisions. Our contract takes precedence over their new guidelines. They want to standardize their expectation of all field users. City gets first priority, then school district, historic association with teams (3RLAX), then teams without association, then general use request. They do not want to lose the associations that they have established relationships with. Schools don't really use these fields at all.

The City is trying to become better managers of the fields they have. They are over-loved and over-used. In the near future things will continue as they are. However, in the long range we need to look at more field space. They want to build more sports fields. Possibly off Van Giesen by the nursery. Lots of demand and not enough space. The City is lighting a field out at Columbia Point this year. That will be available this fall hopefully.

Lining the fields- The city has decided to line our fields this year. They haven't really paid attention to it until this year, but they say lining fields is their job. 3RLAX cannot afford the fees the city wants to charge us for lining our fields. We can provide the paint to help offset some of the cost. City costs to paint our fields- \$25 for paint and \$75 for first field and \$35 for each field after that. This means it would cost 3RLAX \$170 every 2 weeks or \$2500 a season. 3RLAX cannot afford this expense. Issues- contract says 3 times a year but the City says that was when we were only using one field and now we have 3 fields. City just wants to recover their cost for field maintenance. Field use is \$4.25 per field per hour. Phil Pinard says the contract was not set up to cover maintenance cost. Phil Gallagher says our contract does not say that we cannot stripe our fields. Maybe we buy the paint and the City stripes the fields. Our

contract states that striping Wiser field will be at 3RLAX expense when the city is not available to perform striping. Since our contract supersedes the City's new guidelines, we want to know if we can touch up our fields. Phil Pinard will get back to us on this.

Our contract states that we can use Badger starting in February, but the City wants to change that so that the fields aren't being used until March. This helps them take better care of the fields.

City Council needs to know that our community has a need for more field space.

Shed- The new shed needs to match the other buildings. We can use the old football shed in the interim of building a new shed. Chad- We are not encouraged to build a new shed if we might lose these fields. Phil Pinard- You won't lose these fields. They are your fields. He says they will move us if there are fields with more space in the future. There is space at Badger Mountain South, but the topography is not ideal for sports fields. Hanford Legacy is also a possibility for more field space in the future. We may be able to use the old football shed instead of having to build a new one.

Lights- How many people have keys to the light box? Phil Pinard says just us, but 3RLAX disagrees. Lisa brought up the issue with the lights last week when we got in trouble for the lights being left on. Discussion about this and the 2 sports teams that took the field after our girls left last week. We explained to Phil Pinard that we are not the ones who left the lights on. It would be ideal for the City to just schedule the lights so they automatically go on and off for us. Then there is no issue with other teams using the lights and leaving them on.

Ron- Field use fees- Sherry keeps sending bills for field use fees. Our contract states that because we put the lights in there are no fees for our field use. Ron 35 grand is very expensive for one field for 5 years. This should credit us for all 3 fields. Phil Pinard agrees and will talk to Sherry.

Credit for the lights- \$35,000. It was a combination of the club (3RLAX) putting up some labor and some equipment. Other companies donated some labor and equipment. 3RLAX put up a substantial amount of cash for the lights.

We have a big investment in these fields. We also have the 2 years that we weren't able to use Wisner that need to be factored in. How do we get "reimbursed" for that somehow?

Football Shed- Put goals for Wisner in this shed. Maybe uniforms also.

Phil Pinard- We don't want to put you out of business. We just need to come to an agreement that serves both of us well without breaking the bank. And anything we can do to rotate the use on the fields to help with the maintenance and wear and tear on the fields, would be great.

Would be good to approach the city council with how many kids we are serving. How many kids we have had to turn away because of the lack of field space. The needs of the community are not being met.

Phil Pinard- Thanked 3RLAX for using the City's fields and left the meeting.

4. Approval of last month's meeting minutes- Taunya motioned to approve February's Board Meeting Minutes. Lisa seconded. Motion was unanimous.

5. Finances- Received bill from Total Sports \$2959.70. This was for rage cages, goalie gear, balls and white boards.

Motion to get 2 more rage cages passes. Taunya made motion. Lisa seconded. Everyone agrees.

Lisa is getting wind breakers for assistant coaches, about 7 or 8.

Would like to have My Locker digitalize our 3R logo to make it look more professional. Lisa is going to do this, \$29.

6. Shed Update- Chad has talked to Phil Pinard. If we can use the football shed instead of building a new shed, we would prefer that. Discussion about getting insurance on the shed because of the thousands of dollars of equipment we have in there. Joanna Wright will check on insurance for us. She will check to see how much for both sheds, football and our existing shed. Maybe see if we can get someone to reinforce the door or build us a new door.

7. Bylaws- Phil is working on these. He will send out his suggestions and ask for ideas.

8. Registration numbers- Taunya

- Boys 7/8- \$225 registration fee. 24 registered players. \$5350 was brought in from this team's registration fees.
- Boys 5/6- \$200 registration fee. 24 registered players. 1 player on the waitlist. \$4835 was brought in from this team's registration fees.
- Boys 3/4- \$175 registration fee. 19 registered players. \$3275 was brought in from this team's registration fees.
- Boys 1/2- \$75 registration fee. 16 registered players. \$1075 was brought in from this team's registration fees.
- Girls HS- \$125 registration fee. 17 registered players. \$2050 was brought in from this team's registration fees.
- Girls 5-8- \$75 registration fee. 15 registered players. \$1025 was brought in from this team's registration fees.
- Girls 1-4- \$50 registration fee. 16 registered players. \$625 was brought in from this team's registration fees.

We are all good with capping the teams at 24. Registration still remains open for teams that do not have 24 players yet, but there is a \$50 late fee attached. We put flyers in the schools and did Peach Jar in Pasco. Not sure why our numbers aren't better for girls.

9. Facebook/Instagram- Janine Jackson has been added as an editor on the Club's facebook page. She is also doing Instagram for the Club.

10. Shootout- Ron is working through the waitlist now. Adding teams that want to bring more than 1 team. We are full at 48-49 teams. Buying a couple backstops. Tracy is working on food vendors. They will be onsite so we are looking at charging them a fee. Smitty is doing our refs. Will charge about \$5 a game. Bathrooms are set up. Lisa is contacting Red Door about the tents. Drone- it is approved from the city, checking on this. Would be new and different.

Would like to get a youth group to run the tables, scoring, and timers. Going to get another trophy and medals.

11. Uniforms- Lisa- there are issues with uniforms. Uniforms were split up a few years ago and now many uniforms that are put together DO NOT MATCH. Lisa wants to make do with what we have this year so we don't have to buy uniforms for the 1-4 girls and the 1/2 boys.

12. Sponsors- Need some help updating the sponsor program.

13. Fred Meyer and Yokes Fundraisers- Need to get more people to sign up.

14. Volunteers- We need someone to run the volunteers. We need some accountability, someone to follow through with it.

15. Questions- Joanna Wright Team Photos- She needs to know how many players we have and when we want them taken.

Motion to adjourn was made by Lisa. Seconded by Taunya. Meeting adjourned at 8:27pm