

WSLA Board Meeting | Lakeside Upper School | 1.4.2015 | 9:30am

In Attendance:, Todd Nyquist, Sara Towner, Cathie Frizalone, Lyn Porterfield, Suzanne Replinger, Robin Moore, Mark Hahn, Jami Woodruff.

Via Skype: Penny Moss

Excused: Sekou Spencer, Lyndsey Gillis, Alice Abbott, Tami Tommila, Kate Roper, Craig Wickstrom, Jason Hennig, Mike Smith

Meeting called to order at 9:35am by Lyn Porterfield.

December 7, 2014 board meeting minutes approved as corrected.

Financial Report: Not a lot of activity. See attachment. 990 tax returns filed last week; prepared by bookkeeper Van Kantner and Treasurer Cathie Frizalone.

Strategic Plan Updates: All work groups have updated the Google Doc spreadsheet.

ACTION: Lyn and Kate to finalize Draft plan with Jack Bovaird to present at Feb 7 League meetings (Youth and HS.)

Rules Comm/ New Team-Player Waivers: No new waivers or petitions to report.

Training sessions for 2015: Lyn is coordinating two Scorer/Timer clinics to happen on Feb 7 (SPU) and Feb 28 (UPS). PCA Clinic targeted at Youth Parents (Sideline Managers) slated for Feb 28 at UPS. New Rules Interpretation sessions are scheduled for Feb 7 @ SPU and Feb 22 in Issaquah. Pre-season player clinics (MS-HS players) happening on Sat Feb 21 @ Ballard and perhaps a South end location – Lyn still looking for a location down south (maybe Tacoma? Gig Harbor?)

2015 Season Updates

HS Registration: 29 JV teams and 33 Varsity teams are registered for 2015. Varsity schedule is published, JV schedule should be uploaded in next day or two.

Youth Registration: U15 teams wanting an “A” level schedule registered by Dec 31 – nine teams at this point. All other youth registration is open and closes Feb 1.

Rating Jams: HS rating jamborees are set. Youth jamboree locations are almost complete – still looking for 1-2 additional fields but should have that locked in first week of January.

Feb 7th League Meeting: will be run similar to last year’s meetings (HS, youth, scorer/timer, new rules etc.) Youth league meeting from 9:30-10:30am; HS league meeting from 12n-1:30pm. We have a small room for both league meetings so Lyn will remind all programs to try to send one representative only if possible.

ACTION: Operating committee to review HS Varsity scheduling process (how teams are seeded, etc)

2015 Season – potential issues/clarifications needed

Acceptable field guidelines: **ACTION (carryover from 12-7-14 meeting):** Operations Committee to come up with acceptable field guidelines/policy to communicate out to all teams.

Three person officiating crews: Once again tabled until Feb 8 board meeting. This was not discussed during the Dec meeting due to time constraints but WWLUA has communicated that there are ten officials who are very experienced in working on three person crews. There were a number of Varsity games last season that would have benefitted from having a three person crew; WWLUA would very

much like to start to work three person crews into the regular season schedule for high level games when the appropriate officials are available.

ACTION: Discuss at February 8 board meeting.

Clarification of Youth scoring/timing needed for all Youth divisions: It was noted that there is a lot of inconsistency amongst youth teams in terms of keeping score, table personnel, etc.

ACTION: Todd, Lyn, Kate and Penny will review what's required per USL and per WSLA specific rules and create a "clarification/FAQ" to communicate out to all youth teams at Scorer/Timer clinics, at League meeting and include in the Home Team handbook and on the website.

Honor the Game (youth) proposal: We'd like to start this with the upcoming 2015 season; discussion ensued about what boys youth and some girls clubs are doing (Stanwood girls do headbands, etc) Mark Hahn reported that on the boys side the leagues fund this – USL-WA does not help out financially. However, they would consider funding a limited amount (maybe couple hundred dollars?) to help start a program. Robin will connect with Ginger Miles (USL Pacific Region mgr) to see if USL has any resources and will also talk to some of the clubs already doing something similar to research best options.

Swashbuckler tournament: Kate and Lyn have communicated with these organizers via phone and email; Kate worked out an arrangement with them so that individual youth players could register and play on a "house" team. They're sending us a flier and Lyn will blast that out and put on youth website.

USL Updates

Coaches convention: Mark Hahn reported that the chapter is planning on having a "coaches convention" at SPU on Feb 7 to start after our league meetings (after 1:30pm) and go until approximately 7pm. The group brainstormed about what types of sessions would be valuable – lots of consensus on providing "field demos" of drills and practice plans for coaches as many that would attend are newer. Mark will connect with Lyn as plans for this are formed – we'll include this info in the email blast to all coaches going out this week about Feb 7 meeting.

2015 Seatown Classic: Mark wants to start the planning process soon so that they can find quality womens teams and lock in sponsors, etc early. Discussion ensued about teams, locations, etc -- he'll keep us posted.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45am by Lyn Porterfield.

WSLA
 2015 Budget - Approved 10/5/14
 12/31/2014

	<u>2015 Budget</u>	<u>2015 YTD Actual</u>	
<u>INCOME</u>			
HS Registration	\$75,525.00	\$17,831.00	
Youth Registration	\$47,200.00	\$600.00	
Jamborees	\$7,300.00		
Clinics	\$600.00		
Regional Team	\$40,000.00		
Fines	\$500.00	\$150.00	
Contributions	\$11,000.00	\$10,000.00	Region team restricted
Interest	\$10.00	\$1.82	
TOTAL INCOME	\$182,135.00	\$28,582.82	
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
Officials			
Ref Pay	\$83,713.50		
Playoffs	\$1,800.00		
Travel	\$10,000.00		
Ref Appreciation	\$0.00		
Observation	\$500.00		
Total Officials	\$96,013.50	\$0.00	
Administration			
Bookkeeper	\$3,500.00	\$295.00	
Scheduler	\$5,000.00		
Executive Director	\$12,000.00	\$3,000.00	
Intern (Communications/Admin)	\$750.00		
Accounting/Banking	\$500.00	\$35.00	
Insurance	\$1,050.00	\$376.00	
Meeting Expenses	\$1,000.00	\$631.51	Mainly coach training, fall meeting
Postage & Printing	\$100.00		
Website	\$700.00	\$163.68	
Strategic Planning	\$11,000.00		
Other (credit card fees, etc)	\$900.00	\$427.55	
Total Administration	\$36,500.00	\$4,928.74	
Regional Team			
Tryout Costs	\$500.00		
Travel Costs	\$38,000.00		
Coaching Stipend	\$2,000.00		
Tournament Cost	\$3,000.00		
Other (Uniforms, fields)	\$0.00		
Scholarships	\$2,000.00		
Total Regional Team	\$45,500.00	\$0.00	
Other Expenses			
Jamborees	\$4,750.00	\$465.00	Rating jam field
Clinics	\$100.00	\$600.00	Parent clinic
Awards-Recognition	\$800.00		
Travel Stipend	\$1,500.00	\$12.79	
Local Convention Speaker	\$300.00		
Public Relations	\$4,500.00	\$4,250.00	
Refunds	\$0.00		
Contributions	\$0.00		
Total Other Expenses	\$11,950.00	\$5,327.79	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$189,963.50	\$10,256.53	
Change in Net Assets	(\$7,828.50)	\$18,326.29	
Beginning Cash Balance	\$31,190.08	\$28,248.00	
Regional Team Reserve Fund		\$10,000.00	
Ending Unrestricted Balance	\$23,361.58	\$36,574.29	
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