

WSLA Board Meeting | Lakeside Upper School | 11.2.2014 | 9:30am

In Attendance: Kate Roper, Todd Nyquist,, Sara Towner, Cathie Frizalone, Lyn Porterfield, Lyndsey Gillis, Penny Moss, Sekou Spencer, Alice Abbott, Suzanne Replinger, Jamie Woodruff, Robin Moore

Via Skype: Craig Wickstrom

Excused: Jason Hennig, Tami Tommila, Mark Hahn

Meeting began at 9:35

Introductions: new and old board member introductions were made.

Brief Board Orientation: Kate Roper discussed the role of board members, as it's the first meeting for many of the board's new members. The strategic plan will come to the board later this year. There was explanation of smaller committees and implementation of being involved.

Review of Oct 5th Meeting Minutes: minutes from last month and this month will be sent out to all board members post today's meeting in order for edits and approval at the December board meeting.

Financial Report: Given the year-end two days ago there was not a true update. Two items from the past were paid with this year's budget, including last year's Seatown Classic.

Committee Assignments – needs to revise for new board

ACTION: board members are looking at what committees interest them in order to distribute members accordingly. All members will edit shared Google doc to fill positions. Lyn Porterfield will follow up via email.

Marketing committee for the Strategic Plan: the youth development committee is asking the marketing committee for support in promoting growth and awareness of the sport prior to fifth grade.

The marketing committee is asking for any other committees with marketing needs to email specifics.

2015 Calendar: The date for the winter league meeting is February 7th, 2015. The youth and HS meeting will be separate this winter, as there is too much overlap to hold at the same time. The March 8th board meeting will be changed to the 1st due to the HS Jamboree on the 8th.

Rating Jamboree field updates: March 7/8 HS, 14/15 youth: Lyn Porterfield and Penny Moss are working on securing fields for the HS jamboree on the 7th and 8th of March, and for the MS jamboree on the 14th and 15th.

2015 HS Championships-RFP update: The deadline for the RFP was extended to November 7th. The board is expecting applications from the following programs:

Mercer Island
Eastside Catholic
Snohomish
Curtis HS

Board Slate for 2014/15 - open board positions: There are still board positions open to be filled for this year. Discussion ensued about the need of regional board positions and clarifying their roles and responsibilities. The Snoqualmie regional representative and U11 representative board slots are open.

Spring 2015 HS registration update: Registrations are low as of yet. The due date is November 15th. Lyn Porterfield will be blasting out another email reminder to all programs to register.

New team petitions - committee updates: There is a new team petition process outlined in the handbook. The board has received petitions from the following programs

Ingraham -JV level
Auburn, Riverside, Bonney Lake, White River – JV and Varsity level petitions
Woodinville - youth program
Mt. Si - JV level
Everett - U11, U13, U15 program, JV team
Edmonds – 2 program petitions received

USL Updates - Seatown Classic Recap: It was a big event that turned a profit. Mark Hahn, USL WA girls representative, is looking ahead to 2015 Seatown Classic, which will be a women's' game. The board is looking for ways to support the event to help plan and promote the event.

College counseling tool: Kate Roper is looking into an online college counseling tool that provides education for players and parents in regards to college admissions, test scores etc. that WSLA is looking to add to the website as a resource tool.

Other topics:

-WSLA is looking for a winter date to provide a USL Level 1 coaches training clinic