

WSLA High School Board Meeting | Lakeside Middle School | June 2, 2013 | 9:00am

In Attendance: Jason Hennig, Lyn Porterfield, Sara Towner, Beth Lancaster, Bruce Reid, Greg Chapman, Kate Roper, Penny Moss, Tami Tommila

Absent: Alice Abbott

Meeting called to order at 9:07am

Approved May meeting minutes

Beth passed out and reviewed financial report

- WWLUA payments
- Regional Team funds

2013 Season Review

State Championship

- Good turnout with over 1,000 people in the stands; Jason received positive feedback
- Mercer Island was a good venue
- Claire Merrill will not be organizing the event going forward; the event is US Lacrosse sponsored but WSLA organizes the event
- Youth Event – 47 on the field; 87 that came through the game with their uniform on
- Discussed ideas for forming a planning committee with one member from each conference...Claire Merrill, Lyn Porterfield and Patty Chapman are discussing logistics to roll out this idea and provide action steps and timelines; conference rep would be liaison between board and conference rep; discussed idea of rotating each conference hosting the championship in their area

Umpires for State Championship Game

- All male field for championship game
- There were female umpires that were asked, but declined because they were unavailable
- Did 2 instead of 3 umpires unlike in years past; this was discussed and agreed upon by the board and communicated to the league in the January meeting because we wanted a consistent experience for the game as 2 umpires are used during the regular season

Discussed “May 16th incident” ...someone with connections to Lake Samm reached out to someone on Lakeside with concerns about the officiating for the State Championship game.

- Jason to reach out to WWLUA on their investigation of the issue
- Jason to reach out to Dave Lowe to see what he recommends from a US Lacrosse state chapter perspective
- Jason to reach out to coaches of the teams involved to get a statement of the events

Discussed officials and conflict of interest.

Discussed establishing a communication path for issued with officials and/or WSLA

Conference and All-State award process

- It was different this year...Jason has received less feedback to date than in the past years
- Discussed selection process for all conference and all state
 - o Clarifications for next year
 - o Beth is sending out survey to coaches for feedback

U19 Regional Team Update

- Tami debriefed the tournament to the board

WSLA Logo

- not ready; will have for fall meeting

Handbook Revision Update

- This is a living document; should anticipate doing an update every 2-3 years...
- Amendment process for future changes
- Just because you are voting on the handbook, doesn't mean that is how we are going to operate for the next 5 years...we will continue to update as feedback is given and lessons are learned
- Typo corrections, photo release and table of contents have been updated since November

- Motion to approve handbook as modified and recommend adoption of handbook to league on Tuesday – approved by board

WSLA League Meeting at Starfire on June 4, 2013

- Open board positions
 - o Treasurer
 - o Bookkeeper

Survey

- Reviewed program survey questions
- Reviewed coach survey questions

USL State Chapter Meeting on June 13

- Kate, Penny, Lyn and Greg to attend
- Grant for USL PE Unit and Equipment

New HS Programs for 2014

- Discussed potential for new teams based on growth and school splits from current programs

Jason is meeting with Overlake and Lakeside Athletic Directors to discuss the direction of the league on June 19

Meeting adjourned at 11:22am