

WSLA High School Board | Lakeside School - Seattle | 1.8.2012 | 1:00pm

In attendance: Bruce Reid, Jason Hennig, Jessanne Allen, Beth Lancaster, Craig Wickstrom, Jillian Gant, Sara Towner, Sue Haviland, Kate Roper.

Excused: Lyn Porterfield, Tami Tommila.

Meeting was called to order at 1:20pm by Kate Roper

1. **USL Insurance update:** USL has provided a solution and will grant all non-USL programs coverage for an additional fee. As part of the coverage requirements, WSLA will be required to provide documentation of all non-USL programs that are being included in the expanded coverage. Upon the effective date of the new coverage, the USL insurance will cover the WSLA Board for any claims for property or physical damage liability.

For the 2012 season WSLA will pay an additional fee to include all non-USL programs under the WSLA USL policy in order to ensure property or physical damage liability coverage. It is expected that the fee for the 2012 season will be \$1500. The Board approved that the fee would be covered by the League.

Beginning with the 2013 season, all non-school programs will be required to have 100% USL membership. The Board will notify all programs now for future planning and budget consideration. WSLA will transfer the per program fee to each non-USL school program beginning in 2013. It is expected that the fee will be \$50 per season.

Beth will coordinate the development of a plan to administer the process. WSLA will work with USL to demonstrate that it is meeting the requirements established for WSLA Board property or physical damage liability.

2. **JV/Varsity Schedule Review:** The Board reviewed the 2012 WSLA Varsity and JV Opponent List prepared by the League scheduler. The Board determined that the list reflected the Board's scheduling expectations. We need to get a final confirmation/commitment on the JV teams for 2012 season. There was also discussion regarding next steps for the JV "C". Jason to follow-up with a JV "C" proposal for league members to consider.
3. **December HS Board Meeting Minutes:** The 12/4/2011 board meeting were reviewed and approved.
4. **HS Regional Team:** Linda Clark from the Queen Anne Youth program has volunteered to take the lead as WSLA's Regional Team coordinator. Kate asked for feedback on the value of Sue Heether's participation as a selector for this year's tryouts. It is expected that an "RFP" will be sent out soon requesting applications for regional team coaches. It would be expected to request applications for head coach and assistant coach. A proposal was made for WSLA to advance funds to the HS Regional Team to cover the airfare deposit requirements for Regional Team players, coaches and approved parent chaperones. The purpose of the making the advance is to ensure that favorably priced airline tickets and flights can be reserved as far in advance as possible. WSLA will be reimbursed for the advanced funds at the time the Regional Team is selected. The proposal was approved. Kate Roper volunteered to take the lead as the Board liaison with the HS Regional Team coordinator on the advance of funds.

5. Calendar Review:

- a. The play-in game will be scheduled for May 5th and will be part of the Youth League Jamboree event.
- b. The JV end of season tournament will be scheduled in the June time frame.
- c. There was some discussion on the timing of the scorer/timer clinics and whether they need to be held closer to the beginning of the season. A question was raised about whether the scorer/timer clinics should be mandatory. Discussion pro/con on the question, but no action taken.

6. Finance report (Beth Lancaster): Treasurer's Report and a revised 2011-12 Operating Budget were distributed. All fine notices have been distributed. It was proposed to adjust the 2012 league fees based on the final 2011 schedule that resulted in less games being scheduled than originally planned in establishing the 2011 league fees. This will be a one-time adjustment for the 2011 season only. The Board approved the one-time league fee adjustment for the 2012 league fees and resulting revision to the 2011-12 Operating Budget. Beth distributed a proposed refund policy regarding league fees attributable to budgeted referee fees. The intention is review at the February board meeting.

7. Out of season committee: Sue Haviland reported that the committee has met once and is in the process of exploring how needs for out of season play are currently being met. The committee has identified a number of questions that they plan on coordinating with coaches. The committee is planning to address both HS and Youth League needs. Sue is planning to provide an update report at the January membership council meeting.

8. By-law/handbook committee: Kate reported that this will likely be a summer project. She will plan on providing an update report at the January membership council meeting.

9. Player Waiver Requests: The Board reviewed and took action on the following waiver requests.

- a. A request by a Northwest School student to play for the Roosevelt program based on her residency. The player's residence is within the Roosevelt attendance area. Northwest School is assigned to the Garfield program. The waiver request was denied.
- b. A request by a University Prep student to play for the Bellevue East program based on her residency. The player's residence is within the Bellevue East attendance area (Interlake, Sammamish, Newport). University Prep is assigned to the Nathan Hale program. The waiver request was denied.

10. January Membership Meeting: The Board reviewed items for inclusion on the agenda.

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 pm by President Jason Hennig.

Next meeting:

Sunday February 5, 2012 , 1:00pm at Lakeside - Fieldhouse Classroom.