

## WSLA High School Board | Lakeside School - Seattle | 2.5.2012 | 11:00am

*In attendance: Bruce Reid, Jason Hennig, Lyn Porterfield, Jessanne Allen, Beth Lancaster, Craig Wickstrom, Sara Towner, Sue Haviland, Kate Roper, Tami Tommila.*

*Absent: Jillian Gant*

*Meeting was called to order at 1:07pm by Jason Hennig.*

1. Minutes of January 8 board and Exec council meeting were approved.
2. **USL Insurance update:** Kate is currently compiling information for all youth and HS programs in so far as what their current insurance coverage is (100% USL or not) so that we can determine which teams need supplemental coverage. Some concern by teams as to added cost. Discussion ensued. Jason will check in with JV & JV-C teams. Regarding non-league in-season events (exhibition events) that individual teams schedule, we need to put together a checklist of required actions in order to properly put this kind of contest together. We can email this and have it on the website. Kate will make sure that Bollinger/USL understands that these games are not WSLA activities and don't require extra insurance.
3. **Financial Report:** No report as there's been no new activity since last month's meeting as bank statement is not out yet. We will continue with Bank of America as our bank for now. Bookkeeper's salary discussion ensued. Agreed to pay \$3000 for this year and we'll re-visit this summer for the 2013 season.
4. **Regional teams:** Jason and Kate will get information out to coaches for coach application and selection process. Also working on player nomination forms. Kate Emerson is handling travel for youth and HS.
5. **Player Waiver Request:** a) DeWulf appeal – board decided to allow player to play for Bellevue East and prior decision is overturned. As long as her residency and school do not change she is assigned to Bellevue East. b) Prukop – Appeal has been made by parent, who has been recruited to be a 5/6 coach at ECYL; she wants her 4<sup>th</sup> grade daughter to play for 5/6 team at ECYL as her brother attends EC. Youth board denied. Parent is appealing to Exec Council. Based on ECYL ruling at 1/8/12 Exec council meeting (determination that ECYL is a school-affiliated program cannot allow players younger than 6<sup>th</sup> grade), Jason will inform this parent of that decision and ask if she still wants to appeal.
6. **WWLUA** – In the sphere rule (both defense and offense) – Jason wants to ensure that we clarify this new rule and points of emphasis surrounding it to our league coaches. He's waiting for further clarification from Jeffrey Grose (WWLUA chair).
7. **Schedule update and JV/JV-C teams:** HS varsity schedule is for the most part done. JV schedule is still being worked on. Still trying to determine exactly which programs will have JV teams and JV-C.
8. **Other open items:** a) Fees for PR firm went up this year. Increase of \$300 for our portion. b) Kate has been in touch with USL execs regarding a visit to WA state. She'll coordinate with board on when and we'll try to coordinate a dinner with them.
9. **Scholarships:** An individual (youth) program asked about WSLA providing scholarships for player's team fees. At this point WSLA will only offer scholarships to

regional players for fees associated with participation on that team. We'll give suggestions to programs for ideas on how to fundraise and/or find community funding to help those individual players in need.

10. **ECYL statement:** Board reviewed Jason's statement to ECYL on their recent appeal to Executive Council which was denied. HS board agreed with statement as written, with a few revisions around firmness of the decision statement. Statement will go out to Mike Shigley et al from WSLA Executive Council.
11. **Roster process:** Lyn is putting together a template that teams will complete that she will then use to upload contact info to League Athletics site for communication purposes and Brian Hultz will use to have Sportability upload team rosters. She will send out a draft template and email explaining what info is being used for to board this coming week so that they can comment/revise as needed.

*Meeting adjourned at 1:13 pm by President Jason Hennig.*

**Next meeting:**

Sunday March 4, 2012 , 11:00am at Lakeside - Fieldhouse Classroom.