

WSLA High School Board | Madison Park Starbuck's | 12.5.2010 | 11:00AM

In attendance: Bruce Reid, Jessanne Allen, Jamie Asaka, Talia Klein, Lyn Porterfield, Claire Merrill, Jay Hennig, Kate Roper.

Minutes from the November board meeting were reviewed and approved as corrected.

Youth Division (Kate Roper):

Eastside Catholic: Kate updated the board on the final resolution of the ECYL motion regarding changing their boundaries—original motion recapped below.

Motion from ECYL: To amend eligibility criteria for Eastside Crusaders Youth Lacrosse to allow students from parochial schools that have a demonstrated history of sending students to Eastside Catholic School and their parents the option of registering their daughter to play in their geographically assigned junior lacrosse program or in a faith-based program consistent with their personal and religious beliefs.

Kate and the Youth Board denied their request; it will affect other programs to a large degree. They did provide them with the option of co-marketing with other non-catholic schools.

High School Division: D1 schedule not done; Sue needs to revise. This will slightly postpone other division schedules.

Financial report:

WWLUA travel fees: Jeffrey Grose from WWLUA contacted Bruce about changing policy info for travel reimbursement fees. In 2010, WSLA paid \$3250, actual costs were \$4200. (WWLUA paid the difference from their reserves.) They are proposing for 2011 that they bill actual costs at end of season for travel reimbursement.

Kate expressed concerns about the fact that last year the youth league had approx 30% of their new refs who could not get rated and hence could not work games. There are overall board concerns about the recruitment efforts to get new refs in all areas that could potentially alleviate this problem a bit. We need to form more of a partnership with WWLUA on recruiting refs – that hasn't been the case so far.

Meeting set for Thursday Dec 9 for Bruce, Claire and Jamie (and perhaps Kate?) to meet with WWLUA exec board to discuss this and some other areas of concern.

Bruce proposes: For 2011 use last year's actual figures (\$4200) for budget purposes and for anything above we'll split the difference 50/50 with WWLUA.

Continuing business:

Division 2 and conference structure: The board had decided via email since the last board meeting on potential conference assignments with ten teams per conference. Jason confirmed that for playoffs top four in each conference will play each other (NE 1 plays SW 4, SW 1 plays NE 4, etc) However, we can't confirm final conference assignments yet as there are still some unanswered questions on returning and new teams in D2 for this coming season.

Lake Tapps & Auburn-Mountainview: Lake Tapps Lacrosse Club (LTLC) has a combined girls/boys youth program that is established. LTLC started to form a HS team so that girls not in the Auburn school district would have a team to play on. At about the same time that they decided to start a team, it appeared that Auburn-Mountainview (A-M) was folding. They subsequently discovered that some A-M players wanted to play for LTLC. However, A-M parents have decided to try to keep their team together – they have hired a coach and have confirmed that they'll field a team. LTLC has some A-M players that want to waiver in to their program, but A-M is concerned about losing too many players to be able to field a team. Bruce and Claire will arrange a meeting with the two teams and try to work out an equitable solution.

Lynnwood: Bruce alerted the coach that their player waivers are approved. The Board has approved Lynnwood for placement in the JV Division for 2011.

Spanaway Lake & Graham-Kapowsin: Each program has asked about having two JV teams rather than a D2 and a JV. Handbook says they'd have to have a D2 and JV; board concurs. However, neither program has applied to have a D2 program this year so each will have one JV.

Out of season tournament team request: Board did approve request for an out of season tournament from in-season coaches Tami Tommila (Bainbridge) and Tony D'Alessio (Lake Sammamish) for the Sandstorm Lacrosse tournament in Palm Springs in January 2011.

Player waiver request: Reviewed for approval required from Issaquah player who received a waiver approval for 2010 season. The program assignment for the player is Lake Sammamish as she attends the LWSD International Community School. Waiver request to play for Issaquah was approved. Also approved waiver request for Northshore School District player to play for the new Lynnwood girls program. The program assignment for this player is Lake Sammamish. Board approval for all Lynnwood waiver requests from Northshore School District players are limited to 2011 season and players will be required to play for any Northshore SD high school program established in the future. The grandfather provisions will not apply to these players, as they are not currently playing for their program assignment team; Lake Sammamish.

JV teams: Bruce will ask Mt. Si if they can confirm a JV team for this coming year.

Coaches clinic/ Convention: USL cannot do a level 2 clinic on Jan 29. At this point we'll just plan on WWLUA training day on Jan 29 at SPU. USL looking at doing a level 2 in February; Bruce will follow-up and find out what the plans are.

Jamboree: We're planning on holding the jamboree on either 3/12 or 13. Auburn-Mountainview AD said we can't have event at A-M. Jamie proposed that we do multiple locations on one or two days (currently we've informed WWLUA that we'd hold the Jamboree on 3/13.) Bruce/Claire will confirm with WWLUA if that might work.

Championship: All set for 5/21 at Eastside-Catholic. Claire is still looking for someone to take over coordinating this event. Jamie and Talia proposed that she contact the UW program for Athletic event management and see if she could find some interns to help out. That would be great, but we still need a WSLA volunteer to take over as a lead on coordination.

Website refresh: Still looking for a developer to redo our website.

Other business: None

Meeting adjourned 1:00PM by Bruce.

Upcoming meeting & event reminders:

- WSLA HS board meeting – January 9, 2011
- WSLA HS Membership Council meeting – January 25, 2011
- WWLUA Training – January 29, 2011