

WSLA Fall League Meeting | Seattle Pacific University – Otto Miller Hall | 10.11.2014 | 12:00pm

Meeting called to order by WSLA President Jason Hennig at 12:10 pm.

Meeting presentation document can be found here:

http://files.leagueathletics.com/Images/Club/9650/WSLA_Meeting_11_OCT_2014_Final.pdf

Introductions all around.

2014-2015 WSLA Board (Jason Hennig)

Reviewed current board roster and board member elects

Motion made to elect open board position nominees as listed (see attached).

Motion seconded and vote was unanimously in favor.

2014 Strategic Plan Progress and Next Steps (Kate Roper)

WSLA board had a retreat over the summer with our consultant Jack Bovaird;

Four Strategic Priorities were determined and work groups were formed:

Youth Program Development/Growth: Penny Moss, Cathie Frizalone, Lyndsey Gillis

Board Growth/Development: Kate Roper, Bruce Reid, Alice Abbott

Geographic Growth/Support: Jason Hennig, Craig Wickstrom, Tami Tommila

Marketing/Community Engagement: Sara Towner, Todd Nyquist, Robin Moore

Each work group is reaching out to the community and recruiting additional members – the objective is to meet and come up with goals and action steps to be able to support each of these priorities. Some groups have started meeting already – we hope to have most work done by Winter meeting, but if it takes longer that's OK. We want this work to be done right rather than rushing to meet a deadline.

Finance Report (Cathie Frizalone)

Treasurer Cathie reviewed 2015 budget that the board approved at October board meeting. (See mtg presentation doc for financial statement.)

WSLA finally received 501c3 ruling from the IRS.

Team fees are increasing this year to \$1325 for HS, \$850 for U15, \$650 for U13 and \$365 for U11 (no fee for U9 as always).

2015 Season Preview (Jason Hennig)

Level of Play for HS and U15

Programs determine through pre season scheduling questionnaire though WSLA will recommend regarding U15 placement (A vs B schedule.)

HS playoff process will be reviewed at the Winter league meeting, but we

anticipate it will be very similar to 2014. HS League Award process will also be reviewed at the Winter meeting.

Gonzaga Prep will continue to have a provisional JV team – teams need to consider traveling over to Spokane for weekend games and/or hosting a weekend doubleheader for our far-flung teams like Gonzaga, Wenatchee, Evergreen, etc. Indicate your willingness for travel on your scheduling form.

2015 Season Dates (Jason Hennig)

We will once again be starting one week earlier than WIAA Spring sports due to an early Memorial Day. Very similar schedule as last year – see meeting presentation document for a complete listing of dates. First practice for HS will be on February 23 g Games start week of March 9, championship game is May 15.

2015 Schedule Process (Jason Hennig)

Goal is to have boys and girls HS programs each pick two days that are their primary days of play for home games so that schedulers can coordinate to attempt to minimize conflicts in schedule.

Can ask to play certain teams in scheduling survey if you'd like to play teams outside of your conference.

Scheduling forms are due for HS on Nov 15. Goal is to have HS schedule out by mid December, with Youth schedule out mid January.

Announcements:

- RFP is out for 2015 HS Championship venue – due October 31 (see wslax.org)
- Don't forget to recruit Adult umpires! Main training date will be Feb 7 @ SPU. Go to www.wwlua.org for more information.
- Regional team update: Kate and Lyn met with out of season club teams recently to determine how the U15 regional team impacts their summer seasons – based on that we will move forward with once again having a team for 2015, with input from the out of season coaches with regards to selection, schedule coordination, etc.
- USL's Seatown Classic is next weekend on October 18 at Starfire. The Men's National team is playing Notre Dame. Volunteers needed; there will be player clinics prior to the game at 2pm.

THANK YOU from the league to both Bruce Reid and Jason Hennig; Bruce is leaving the board after MANY wonderful years of service to be the USL-WA Chapter President. Jason is stepping down as President but will continue on the board as Past-President and continue to officiate. MANY thanks for all of your hard work!!

Meeting adjourned by Jason Hennig at 1:30pm.

2014-15 Proposed WSLA Board:

President	Kate Roper
Vice President - High school	Sara Towner
Vice President - Youth	Penny Moss
Treasurer	Cathie Frizalone
Secretary	Lyndsey Gillis
Immediate Past President	Jason Hennig

HS Conference Representatives:

Alki	Tami Tommila
Nisqually	Alice Abbott
North Sound	Suzanne Replinger
Peninsula	Craig Wickstrom
Snoqualmie	OPEN
JV	Todd Nyquist

Youth Divisional Representatives:

U15	Robin Moore
U13	Jami Woodruff
U11	OPEN
At Large	Sekou Spencer
At Large	Mike Smith