

BVLA Meeting Minutes, 11/9/2016

Oneida Fitness Center, 6-8pm

Present: Art Skenandore-Oneida, Curt Summers-Oneida, Paul Espinosa-Appleton, Ron DeValk-Kimberly, Sid White-Green Bay, Vicki Harris-Green Bay, Lori Peeters-Stevens Point, Tim Hockin-Wausau, Cindy Reiter-Oneida, Chris Dahlke-De Pere, Michael Lange-Neenah, Mike Moe-DC Everest, Sean Comfort-Wausau, Rod Bender-Vixens, Shane Brad-Wausau, Jan Becker-GB Metro, Greg McKenzie-Neenah, Paul Zielski-Neenah, Chad Wawiorka-Neenah Girls

Agenda Items

1. Non Conference Jamboree-Tim
 - a. This was a held over topic from a past meeting. Chuck had voiced some concerns about WLF training of refs. Mike Lange suggested to make this a fundraiser jamboree, most agreed this would be nice to have something local. Additionally, this would aide Dave Wollin's desire for the BVLA to be a little more involved in WLF as well. Paul suggested doing a swap (4 teams go down, 4 teams come up-switch it up every year). Would be made up of teams we wouldn't normally play.
 - b. Mike would like to see BVLA participating more in WLF events/meetings and to have more of a presence in Madison. Perhaps a way to do this is to invite Dave Wollin or other WLF reps to a couple of our meetings just to start a dialogue. Art agreed and stated we need to initiate a plan to market BVLA more effectively as well. This may be an opportunity to grow the girls game as well.
 - c. Further talk about an end of the year JV Tourney and/or a Youth Tourney. Sid suggested we consider setting a date, securing fields and just do it. This could be a combo of JV, Youth and Girls games. Board decided to come back to this after the meeting with WLF.
 - d. Motion made for Art to contact Randy (WLF) with the purpose of hosting a WLF meeting before the end of the year. Seconded by Mike. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Payment of Refs
 - a. Do we have an official process? This too was a topic from a past meeting. Question was posed about under what conditions would a ref not be paid for a game? Paul E. stated that once a game has started, refs definitely still get paid. He would have to check to see what the ramifications of canceling due to weather related issues. Paul Z. also suggested that we not re-create the wheel, but take a page from the WIAA if applicable. This subject should be placed under the Governance Committee. Art would like a draft of this process to come back to the board for review.
3. Support of Lac of Support for Moving under WIAA-Tim
 - a. This issue comes up in response to a letter that was sent to Athletic Directors to gauge their support for moving lax under WIAA for governance. Mike suggested we do some sort of SWOT analysis and make a business plan together to identify resources and a plan to grow for the future. This may mean creation of a Growth & Development Committee to address some of these items.
 - b. Paul Z. would like to get coaches opinion on the WIAA request, and the board agrees. Art would like board reps to do the research on how others have done it and what the consequences or benefits were as well as what is the consensus of the coaches. Art will also include this in the WLF meeting discussion for December.
4. Committee Work-All

- a. Tim suggests we get a chair set up for each position and start operating.
 - i. Paul Z. volunteered to be a part of Governance
 - ii. Chad and Chris volunteered for Communication
 - iii. Competition Committee will need a few coaches to join. Paul Z. will work on this.
 - iv. Mike volunteered for Growth & Development
- b. Updates from these committees will become a standing item on future agendas.

NEXT MEETING: 12/7 from 6-8pm