

2018 February Meeting Minutes

Nebraska High School Lacrosse Association
Board of Directors Meeting
February 28, 2018, 7:00 PM
For Participants Dial – 402-609-1766

Nebraska Orthopedic Hospital
2808 S. 143rd Street, Omaha NE 68144
Conference Room: Aquarium

Rusty McKune and Scott Martin - Head, Heart and Heat related illness and injuries

- This training this evening will count as having attended training for Head, Heart and Heat
- If there are issues with returning back to school because lacrosse is a club sport, Scott Martin offered to assist with this process.
- Please have a cooler and have ice on the sidelines just in case there is a need during game. Also suggested to have a cooler full of ice for practices just in case.
- Game reports from the ref's let NELAX know of ejections, foul outs, unnecessary roughness and sportsmanlike conduct. (there is a google document created for this)
- Slides will be available when the minutes are sent out as well as added to the website
- Tracking concussions for NELAX. All concussions during practices or games need to be reported to NELAX with in the first 24 hours. This is the team's responsibility to report this to NELAX
- NELAX concussion guidelines will be sent out to the teams

1. Members present:

Ames – Present (Phone)
Ankeny – Present (Phone)
West Des Moines Valley – Absent
Burke – Present
Cobra Lacrosse – Present
Creighton Prep – Present
Elkhorn – Present
Lincoln – Present
Millard West – Present
Northstar – Present
Sarpy County – Present
Westside - Present
Chris Howe – President – Present
Jon Pohlmann – Vice President – Absent
Tim Mausbach – Treasurer – Present
Kimberly Kuszak - Secretary – Present

2. Approval of January 31, 2018 meeting minutes
 - Minutes have been approved as written

3. President's Report
 - a. Current number of players registered
 - As of Meeting time 329 players have registered
 - 21 Coaches registered
 - There could be an issue with this because the list was not showing Scott Wagner and Kimberly will look into this
 - 4 Team Managers registered
 - If a player is having financial difficulties paying their NELAX fees or club fees please first reach out to your club program to see if they can assist the player, if no help is available at the club level let NELAX know and something could be worked out. NELAX does not want to turn anyone away if arrangements can be made.
 - Teams should have the player register even if they can't pay their NELAX fees right now so the player at least shows in our system
 - Registration by the first game required for all players who are practicing with your teams, however teams are able to add players through the season and Chris will change the registration close date

 - b. Vote to approve/deny transfer request for Jameson Wilcox from Cobra Lacrosse to Sarpy County
 - 14 Yes 0 No
 - Jameson Wilcox's transfer request has been granted

 - c. Added to Agenda: Vote to approve/deny transfer request for Austin Vetter from Cobra Lacrosse to Elkhorn South
 - 13 Yes 1 No
 - Austin Vetter's transfer request has been granted

4. VP's Report
 - a. Update on JV Tournament
 - Once registration is complete and JV teams are determined then the JV tournament game brackets/schedule will be determined. The JV tournament will be held at Northstar on Saturday April 14, 2018
 - If a team does not have a JV team two teams can combine if needed to field a team. The goal is have JV players play

 - b. Update on State Tournament Site Options:
 - a. May 29th - higher seed hosts (accommodations will be made so ALL teams can participate)
 - b. May 30th - Speedway Village - Lincoln
 - 2-3 fields are available in Lincoln

- Elkhorn offered their stadium because it has lights for any team not wanting to travel to Lincoln especially the Iowa teams not wanting to travel three hours they would have to travel 2
- c. WDV June 1st - 3rd
- d. Creighton Prep - June 1st - 3rd

5. Secretary's Report

a. Discuss State Tournament Program

- If your team has a logo idea please submit ideas to Kimberly by March 20, 2018
- The program has been mocked up and will be available for review at the March meeting
- All teams will be guidance on what will need to be submitted for the program
- Jon P will be working on the ads for the program

b. Link to 8th Grade Request for Waiver to play JV

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScKkYZugo6OxRjaXfjAnDywxEFhYuMNomnH83jWxYbbMPEYhg/viewform?usp=sf_link

- The link is not working the website; this will be fixed and also emailed out to all teams.
 - Steve Haney (Creighton Prep) asked Kimberly stating they were looking for the form or has the been requested by anyone. Chris stated all of the teams have had access to the form since it was sent out for vote back in January and the link was always sent out in the agenda for the February Meeting
- Scott Wagner (Westside) asked for additional clarification on where in the bylaws it states eight grades are not able to participate in high school practice. <<<<<<<Chris explain again in writing for me>>>>>>>>
- Scott Wagner (Westside) asked he has at least three players who would like to only practice with the team. Because they don't have a JV team he asked if there was a different process for this. Chris asked Scott to submit in writing his request and a decision will be made.
- Question was asked if these 8th graders would be practicing with the high school as well as playing in the OLC U14 league. **No answer was given**
 - Steve Haney stated OCL is planning on at least six U14 teams, two teams from Lincoln and at least four teams from the Omaha area players
- Any 8th grade waivers will be due by March 16, 2018 to allow the executive board time to send out to the rest of the board members to give them at least 10 days prior to voting at the March 28, 2018 meeting.
- Any 8th grade requesting a waiver will be asked to appear in person at the meeting on March 28, 2018. Chris checked the bylaws and vote on an 8th grader waiver being approved is a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote.

6. Treasurer's Report

a. Current Balance

- Wells Fargo Balance = 18,453.05
- PayPal = 37,499.06
- Cheri (Sarpy County) asked about who pays for Iowa trainers because at games last year they had college kids with a first aid kit
- Shawna (Elkhorn South) stated this happened at their game as well.
- Chris will be looking into who sets up the trainers for Iowa and will be creating a google form for Rusty McKune and Scott Martin to use to schedule trainers. This will also be available for teams to look at prior to game time.
- Chris will suggest to Scott Martin all trainers will need to be at the field 15 minutes prior to the game and at the score table. Chris also suggested if no trainer is on site then the game is delayed until the trainer is on site

New Business:

- Cheri (Sarpy County) asked if the rules for JV & Varsity games would be sent out again without the draft across the paper

Upcoming events:

Added to Agenda: All Stars Game June 6, 2018

- Questions were raised by Steve Haney (Creighton Prep) and Scott Wagner (Westside) what does NELAX pay?
- Steve Haney (Creighton Prep) stated NELAX has always paid for the jerseys however questions asked by Haney (Creighton Prep) and Wagner (Westside) what is Premier Lacrosse pay for the All Stars Game? Who pays for the facility, ref's and trainers?
- Chris will reach out to Kurt to see what Premier Lacrosse budget is and how the costs are shared and what NELAX will be responsible paying for.

Sunday, March 4th TRUE Spring Training Camp \$25 per player - some teams have registered. Individual players can register too - not just for teams. Boys and girls, youth through high school. <https://truelax.sportngin.com/register/form/537169473>

Next Meeting is Wednesday, March 28th at 7:00 PM

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.