

## SSL Meeting Minutes – May 10, 2017

1. Roll Call – Attendees: Rachel Lamkin (KYLA), Steve Hildreth (Gig Harbor), Norm Dillon (Emerald Ridge), Mark Funkhouser (Lake Tapps), Sarah Van Cleve (Vashon), Tanya Winters (Bethel), Chad Tracy (Tahoma), Dani Akulschin (Peninsula), Mason Phelps (U Place), Chris McCabe (Olympia), Chris Gerke (Orting), Sherri Woolworth (Tacoma), & Marc Orth (North Olympic).

Absent: Rogers & North Kitsap

Guests: Jim Horan (KYLA, Equipment Mgr) & Al Puntillo (Olympia, Pres).

2. Meeting called to order by Mark Funkhouser at 7:01 pm
3. Review and approve minutes from the March meeting: Chris Gerke motioned, Mason seconded, to approve the Minutes. Unanimous.
4. Board Reports
  - a. **President's Report:** Mark continues to deal with numerous emails from coaches & parents with various issues ranging from confusion over games not counting to games being called by board members when out of control. Mark has been in contact with WALOA, which claims it is a "training only" entity as well as with Yuri at Arbiter, which is only an assigning entity. We discussed future proposals to increase the quality of both the refereeing and coaching. **A reminder to all coaches & table staff (as well as SSSL Board Members): Please intervene when games become out of control!** Many of our young refs are still "green" and may need a "table timeout" to discuss calling more penalties.
  - b. **Vice President's Report:** Code of Conduct Vote: Chris McCabe motioned & Chris Gerke seconded, that the Vashon vs. Tacoma game is NOT considered an SSSL sanctioned game as both teams violated the SSSL rules. One team had nine players & were offered swing players from the opposing team, which they accepted. The first team won with borrowed players. Swing players are only allowed from the same club. Vote: 12 Yes; 0 No; U Place abstained (nine player team should have forfeited). This game is NOT sanctioned & the score will be removed from the website.
  - c. **Treasurer's Report:** Savings = \$4556.08, Checking = \$26,002.37. Mason added two categories to Expenses: Chris Hall Memorial Scholarship & Ferry/Mileage Fees Paid to Referees. There was a hiccup with a mom who has access to WHSBLA funds paying a referee from that fund & then getting reimbursed from SSSL. **Please get the following information to your clubs: if anyone has a referee who needs to be reimbursed for ferry fees to Vashon or travel to Silverdale (from over 20 miles away), please contact your SSSL rep.** The SSSL rep will email Mason for reimbursement. YOU HAVE UNTIL MAY 20 TO TAKE CARE OF THIS!! Also, any clubs who were reimbursed from SSSL, PLEASE CASH YOUR CHECKS.
  - d. **Secretary's Report:** Vashon Lacrosse has a new rep. Welcome Sarah Van Cleve! We will have a regularly scheduled meeting in June and may also meet in July if needed. We will take August off. Rachel will send the email motion that passed to Steve, so he can add the following to our Rules & Regulations: "All SSSL sanctioned games will have at least one official from WALOA. When a game is not official, it will not be recorded in the league standings. Rescheduling of these games is encouraged but not required." The vote passed with 13 clubs voting in favor.
5. Old Business – Tabled Rescheduling of Games During the Season (due to out of league tournaments), Table & Referee Issues, & Rules & Regulations Update
  - a. SSSL Year End Tournament: Olympia Lacrosse Club hopes to showcase our sport during the tournament weekend. Therefore, they ask all players, coaches, & parents to be on their best behavior to encourage the community's interest in lacrosse. OLC will have a "zero tolerance" policy for unsportsmanlike conduct. There will be bracket play for Divisions I & II for both 5/6 & 7/8 teams. Each team is guaranteed three games. If a team loses in the first round, it will be

bumped into the consolation bracket, where it can work its way back up to the championship. 3/4s will have pool play and be guaranteed three games the first day of the tournament. These will be mixed standings so that a poorer team will not play all tougher teams. The top four 3/4 teams will advance to play on Sunday. **AI will send out a blank bracket to all the coaches with registered teams. Please have your coaches report any games scores from this weekend promptly to Norm, so that Olympia can set up the brackets ASAP.** So far, OLC is coming in under budget for the tournament. They will host a food tent for the referees, a First Aid tent staffed with certified athletic trainers for initial triage, an area for team pictures, concessions & a food truck, T-shirts for the Division Champions, pinnies for the All Stars (no game), Ballots for coaches to nominate opposing players, a parking team, a fundraiser booth for OLC, screen printing vendor, Total Sports vendor, Bounce Back vendor, & a souvenir vendor. **Each team may only bring the players on its original roster. Please bring your picture roster for verification. These must be available at the Scorer's Table.** OLC looks forward to hosting an amazing tournament!

- b. Website/Game Reporting: **PLEASE CHECK YOUR GAMES/GAME TIMES THIS WEEKEND ON THE WEBSITE ASAP!** Any errors need to be reported to Norm.
6. New Business: SSSL Fall Ball Program. Chad Tracy from Tahoma is willing to run this. He will send an email to Rachel with the specifics to forward on to the SSSL clubs. This would be on Sunday mornings only, starting September 10. After the first two weeks of practice, games would alternate with practices until the final game (four total) on November 5.
7. Next Meeting – 06/14/2017
8. Adjournment: Steve motioned, Norm seconded, all approved, to adjourn at 9:02 pm