

2017/18 OGLA Board Meeting – 12.10.17

In Attendance: Willie, Tom, Brett, Gina, Sarah, Margaret, Paje, Meg, Ali, Eileen, and Ben.

Meeting Brought to Order: Ali called the meeting to order at 9 am.

Minutes from 10.29.17 Board Meeting – Were distributed for the board to review via email prior to this meeting. Minutes were approved as written.

Old Business –

Treasurer Report (Ali)

- OGLA accounting is live on quick books.
- 17 Unpaid registrations, 1 team not registered. Gina to follow up with the team.
- No updates - Allie look into investment vehicle limitations for a 501C3.

Mentorship Program – (Meg)

- Reported on success of first Coaches Coffee. Eight coaches in attendance. Discussion centered around finding ways to tap into returning graduating college students that were prior OGLA players, mentoring, and training towards creating a pipeline of talent for both OWLUA and Program Coaches. Meg asked for a room within Wilsonville HS for the next Coaches Coffee.

Playoffs –

- No Report.

League Structure –

- No Report.

All State Nominations –

- No report.

Coaches Report – (Ben)

- No report.

Transfer Request –

- No report.

College Game Hosting –

- Ben gave report. He may have one or two major sponsors for the event along with optimistic talks with Nike over possible major sponsorship.
- Ben reported on ticket sales and felt optimistic that reaching goal of 1,000 ticket sales by year-end was well within reach.

Merger of OGLA/OGYLA –

- Ben provided a brief update on possible logistics and structure with the integration/transition of the two organizations. Some concern was shared over the possible leadership with OGYLA becoming non-existent at year-end when John Cruz officially steps down. Ben expressed the need to act sooner than later due to the instability of the OGYLA leadership. Brett recommended that the BOD of OGLA review the OGYLA books **prior** to integration. Meg suggested that OGLA look into

creating an online Blog for the lacrosse community to weigh-in on the merger. Willie made a motion to task Brett with creating a “project plan” for the eventual merger of the two organizations for the BOD to review. Margaret seconded the motion. Motion was voted on and passed unanimously.

OWLUA/Officials –

- No report.

New Business –

- Ben informed the Board that US Lacrosse had verbally approved a stick grant for 100 sticks and 100 goggles to be used to help grow the game in Oregon. Sarah recommended that additional investment in 5 boy’s stick bags and 5 ball bags to make loaning out 20 sticks at a time easy.
- Ben proposed that the BOD consider creating a paid position to spearhead/lead the market strategy for growing the game in Oregon. Ben presented a written job description and proposed an annual stipend of \$10,000 equally covered by OGYLA and OGLA for this role to be named Oregon Lacrosse Ambassador. Willie made a motion to appoint Tom the Chair of the Growth Committee to begin fleshing out the details. Ben seconded the motion. Motion was voted on and approved unanimously.
- US Lax Convention 2018 grants have been given out to Gina and Christine. Ben would like to have the Oregon representatives consider sitting together at the event.
- CEP Training – Portland dates have not been set. 3/3/18 – Level I in Bend. 3/18/18 – Level I in Eugene. Ali was asked to update the BOD when she was given notice of the “field” portion of the test. There was some concern about it being available in advance of the season starting.

Next Board Meeting –

- Next Board meeting to be determined.

Meeting Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 10:25 am.