

Minutes of the Girls Lacrosse Association of Anne Arundel County

September 9, 2009

GLAAAC Meeting at AA County Recreation and Park Headquarters.

Board Members Present: Doug Portner (President), Kelly Guarino (Vice President), Joe Weiss (Secretary), Gwynn Philhower (Treasurer), Erin Stringfellow (Asst Treasurer), Nikki Blanche (Board), Don Harrison (Board & Senior League), and Donna Liberto (Anne Arundel County Recreation and Parks)

Proxy Submitted: GSPAA

Board Members Absent: Rosemarie Schwer (Board)

Organizations Present (including above): Andover (Kristin McCullough), Arden (Jeff Levy, Patrick Cobb and Bruce Melton), Bowie (Andrew Karnes), Bucs, Crofton, CYLA (Don Shifflett), Davidsonville, General's Highway, GORC (Mary Beth Davis), Mayo (Tony Pessagno), Seniors League, Severn (Rick Layson), Slade (Ted Deppe and Paula Darrah), and St. Mary's

Votes Present: 15

Meeting called to order by President, Doug Portner, at 6:41 PM

Minutes for February 10, 2009 approved.

Treasurer Report: Gwynn Philhower gave the treasurers report with no questions. Discussion ensued on spending some funds on Challenge LAX (County Program). Don Harrison made motion to donate \$500 for equipment. Passed 15-0. Treasurer report was approved with current account balance of \$8,630.

GLAAAC Constitution and By-Laws: Discussion and voting ensued on distributed recommended changes to By-Laws and Constitution.

On the By-Laws the first proposed change was for releasing players in Article XIII. The rationale behind the rule was explained pointing that greater clarification is required. The change was accepted as is by a vote of 14-1.

The next item to be discussed was Article XX dealing with informing the Board of an issue being raised with the County. A previous incident was discussed highlighting the need for this so the Board could be more proactive. The change was unanimously accepted at 15-0.

The next area discussed were proposed changes to the Constitution. First was Article III dealing with membership. The issue here deals with organizations moving from a typical county athletic association versus ones becoming more travel-team focused with commercial interests and operations. After much discussion the new wording was unanimously accepted by a vote of 15-0.

The next item was Article IV dealing with Terms and Elections on who is allowed to nominate board members and how many can be nominated by a member. The new wording makes it clear only full members can nominate and they can only nominated one person. The vote was 15-0 in favor of the change.

Elections: Next item on the agenda was voting for the Assistant Treasurer and one At-Large seat. Erin Stringfellow, the incumbent, was the only nominee and remained in place. For the At-large seat there were two nominees: Rosemarie Schwer (incumbent) and Scott King (Slade). Voting was 9-6 in favor of Scott King who becomes one of the At-Large Board members.

New Business: Two items of new business were discussed. The first dealt make-up games and the excessive rain we faced this past season. A motion was made to have a minimum 10 game schedule instead of the 7 today. This was seconded and would be targeted more at PeeWees and Middies. It was decided to table until we see the schedule for 2010 after it was voted down 3-12. This will also be discussed (makeups) at the pre-season meeting.

Another item to be discussed at the pre-season meeting is a mid-season adjustment for moving up or down in A, B and C league groupings.

Revocation of Full Membership for Quikstix: Last item of business was determining status of QuikStix in light of the passage of Constitution Article III earlier. A motion was made to immediately revoke their full membership status based on their new organization structure etc. The vote passed 13-1-1 and thus QuikStix is no longer a full member of GLAAAC.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 PM