

Minutes of the Girls Lacrosse Association of Anne Arundel County
June 18, 2008

Present: Jim Tacka and Chris McCullough (Andover), Jeff Levy (Arden), Randy Boileau (Bowie), Gwynn Philhower (Bucs), Nikki Blanche (Crofton), Don Shifflett (CYLA), Kelly Guarino (Davidsonville), Joe Weiss (General's Highway), Doug Holmes (Kent Island), Matt Clifford (North Annapolis), Rich Layson (Severn), Jobi Ferguson (South County), John Noone (St. John's), Erin Stringfellow (St. Mary's), Scott King (Slade), Don Harrison (Senior League), Sherry Kirk (Game Guardians) and Donna Liberto (Anne Arundel County Recreation and Parks)

Meeting called to order by President, Don Harrison, at 6:35PM

Minutes for April 9, 2008 approved.

Financial Presentations: Don made the treasurers report for the period January 1, 2008 through June 18, 2008.

GLAAAC had a beginning balance of \$465.50, had income of \$3,387.00, expenses of \$837.00 and a remaining balance of \$3,015.00.

The Senior League had a beginning balance of \$0, with receipts of \$12,230.00, expenses of \$10,689.96 and a remaining balance of \$1,540.04.

Discussion during the presentation concerned the number of forfeits in the last week of the season and the City of Annapolis closing Germantown on mention of rain. The latter is to be discussed with the City.

Sticklettes: Concern over parent and coach behavior. Consideration is to be taken on whether to have Referees (underage trainees) for the 2009 season. To be decided at the next meeting.

Game Guardians will look into a possible Coach/Parent training session.

Unregistered Parents Coaching: Concern was voiced about Parents coaching who have not had a background investigation. This has risen to a liability issue as seen in basketball. There have been suits.

Middie 5 Second Rule: Discussion on the rule for next season.

Free Clear Rule for Juniors and Seniors: It was decided to remove this rule for Seniors.

Method for Referee Evaluations: Recommendation to consider the postcard format used by other sports. Other idea is to upgrade website to make it easier to collect information.

Other: Discussed bringing back Coach Training next season.

Consideration for having a Middie Tournament ala Bilderback.

Need to better clarify A, B and C team definitions. Action to look at Soccer and how they do it and make a proposal next meeting.

Game Guardians noted they need Pre-Season Play dates.

Need to identify Season Start dates so tournaments can be scheduled.

New Officers: A new slate of officers was elected for next season. The new officers are as follows:

President – Doug Portner

Vice President – Kelly Guarino

Treasurer – Gywnn Philhower

Assistant Treasurer – Erin Stringfellow

Secretary – Joe Weiss

Board Members: Rosemarie Schwer, Nikki Blanche, Don Harrison

Next meeting tentatively scheduled for late 2008 early 2009.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM