



SOUTHINGTON YOUTH LACROSSE

Meeting Minutes

10/24/2016

1. **Meeting called to order 7:24 pm**
2. **Roll Call/Attendance (Sign In form)** – will be tracking attendance for the purpose of determining voting rights for general membership.
3. **Reading of Minutes of preceding meeting** - Waived
4. **Treasurer's Report**
 - Shawn McDowell has taken over as league Treasurer
 - Registration fees will be increased in 2017 to align with other leagues and to cover increased program costs including 3D Lacrosse contract

Level	Cost
Rising Stars	\$125
Bantam	\$200
Junior	\$225
Senior	\$225

**Rates do not include US Lacrosse membership fee*

***Family max of \$450*

- Draft 2017 budget includes an increased revenue from fundraising activity
5. **Reports of the Officers**
 - No formal officers for this meeting pending vote
 6. **Reports of the Committees**
 - **Equipment** - Coaches should fill out spreadsheet with what they need for 2017 season and be smart with purchases (only what they need for their teams).
 - **Social Media**–
 - Jill has created Facebook and Twitter (@Southingtonlax1) accounts for SLA, encouraged members to follow and promote sites
 - Will have a social media policy in place for 2017. Parents will have to sign and will be part of online registration.
 - Will also have a media policy to allow for sharing of photos which will be part of our online registration.
 - **Website** -

- Jay needs updated job descriptions for the open volunteer positions listed on the website
- Need to demo the website for BOD and coaches to reduce the amount of changes Jay has to make and allow people to leverage the full functionality of the website for league communication
- Working on adding additional functionality to the registration for social media and media policy acceptance.
- **Bylaw Committee**
 - Currently reviewing bylaws to make them more concise and actionable
 - Making it clear who has voting rights in the league – proposed 50% or more attendance in last 12 meetings
 - Adding other board positions such as Social Media, Coaching Coordinator and Webmaster
 - Proposed that board members will immediately have voting rights
 - Proposed Background checks for coaches and BOD members
 - Final document with proposed changes will be communicated with 20 days advance notice of vote
- **CVYL**
 - Tony Mazarella (TM) is CVYL representative for SLA
 - TM Reviewed proposed UBased age changes and subsequent rule changes being considered by CVYL at the next meeting on Nov 1.
 - SLA recommends TM vote in favor of adopting U-Based age model and to adopt all US Lacrosse rules with the exception of allowing 6x6 with a goalie (as opposed to 5x5 with a goalie or 6x6 without) for bantam play
- **Jamboree Committee**
 - Jamie Garcia is chairing the Jamboree Committee
 - Jamboree committee is currently looking for volunteers
 - Need to communicate changes to dates and format ASAP

7. Old and Outstanding Business

- **2017 Board Elections**
 - Last month nominations were submitted for the 2017 Board of Directors to be voted in this month
 - Kim has resigned as secretary – Tony Mazarella (TM) has offered to fill the position
 - All board nominations are unchallenged. 2017 Board of directors is approved as follows:

Position	Director
President	Sean Missal
VP Girls	Kevin Doran
VP Boys	Steve Foresi

Treasurer	Shawn McDowell
Secretary	Tony Mazzarella

- **Adoption of Budget/Registration Costs**
 - Discussed and approved increase in 2017 registration fees, including increase to Bantam cost from proposed \$180 to \$200 per player.
 - 2017 Budget is approved
- **3D Lacrosse Proposal**
 - Sean Missal (SM) reviewed the 3D proposal and outlined benefits for the program based on conversations with other programs who use the service
 - 3D Lacrosse proposal is approved and should include Rising Stars players in contract
 - Ron Chase, SHS Lacrosse Coach is strongly in favor of using professional coaches to help develop the program.
 - SM is going to reach out to 3D to ensure that Rising Stars are included in the cost of 3D contract.
 - 3D Lacrosse proposal is approved and should include Rising Stars players in contract
- **Boys/Girls Winter Clinics**
 - Boys
 - Ron Chase (RC) running Boys clinic on Sunday nights after the new year. May split up times this year based on age.
 - RC will put together and communicate
 - Girls
 - Nov 16 – Dec 17th 5-8 Stick Skills Wednesday and Saturday \$200
 - Jan 21 – March 4 24 bantam (Sat 1-2) / 24 jr & sr (Sat 2-3) at Foresi's \$40 per player
 - Motion made for SLA to pay Foresi's and families will pay league back – Approved.
- **Boys Tryouts**
 - Feb 25 & March 4 – Turf is booked from 9am – 1pm
 - TM will follow up with AD on gym as backup
- **Fundraising**
 - Michelle Stewart has volunteered to head up fundraising efforts for 2017
 - Still waiting on 501(c)(3) status
- **Online Store** - 11/30 launch, 12/78 close, 12/13 ship – approved. League receives \$4 per item.
- **Taxes and Accountant**
 - Still waiting on 501(c)(3) status. Courtney filed in June – should be back soon.
 - Approved hiring of accountant to review/ maintain books and prepare taxes

8. New Business

- **Team CT / 203 Spring Clinic**

- Have reserved the turf for a free boys and girls clinic on March 11, 2017

9. Miscellaneous

- Goals- goals at Derynoski don't need to be brought to Panthorn for storage. We can chain them to the fence behind the dugout for winter.

10. Adjournment/Division of Meeting to boys and girls discussions.

- Motion to adjourn approved 9 pm
- Next meeting to be held - 11/28 7pm – TM to book location