

Stanwood lacrosse annual meeting DRAFT.

10/6/2015 Stanwood Library.

Board Members in attendance: jami woodruff, Heidi delich, eric Wietzke, ben Hagglund, Julie brewer, douglas chandler. Not in attendance, Liz Butt

Called to order by Ben Hagglund, President, at 705 PM.

Agenda and attendance, and any reports not included here are separate.

Agenda:

- 1) Director Reports
- 2) Elections
- 3) Budget presentation
- 4) Presenting proposed bylaws.

Introductions made by all attendees.

Directors Reports:

Ben Hagglund, President: great year, building off of last year. We added players and a team. We are at 150 players plus total. Financially, we are doing the best ever. In general, we are maintaining our bylaws. Last year, we made them perpetual. We have offered a revision.

Fundraising was successful for what we put into it. My vision for the program is to add personnel. Want a VP youth, VP girls, and VP HS. Want these to become more independent groups, including fundraising.

Coaches. We can always use more coaches. The K2 program is exciting to see, and is growing.

The NSYL: they are adding K-2 to the program. Looking for a preseason jamboree for youth, and are talking about playoffs for the youth programs, and are looking again at the A/B vs. non A/B questions. Wanting to see more rounded scheduling. Our position is to improve the scheduling this year, with greater variety of teams.

Eric Wietzke, VP BOYS: went to the WHSBLA meeting. State championships will be may 28, at Starfire.

HS coaching: USLAX level 1 clinic in Seattle this week, then Oct 24 in Vancouver.. More rule changes, avail on the websites of the leagues. First day of practice is Mon 2/29. Coaching certifications... must pass NFHS courses online for concussions and sudden cardiac arrest.

Youth boys: The program did very well this year. Several events, including BBQ's, tournaments, etc., have shown our culture and sense of family.

In the HS: There are issues to address, but I think we can get there. More communication, more parent involvement is essential. As an organization, we haven't pushed hard enough to get more involvement. We can do better. Going forward: A lot of the HS programs are practicing and/or playing games this fall, using alternative coaches, so as not to violate the rules. This is something we might want to look at.

The mandatory coaches meeting will be 1/30/16. After that, there will be top experts presenting on the sport.

Ben added a note: He met w/ a uniform representative recently, who may be able to provide better quality uniforms into our mix. (using sublimated ... ie., dyed) These could also be reversible so each one would be a double jersey, red and white.

For the HS teams, if we get everyone back, we have 52 returning players. This would be 3 teams. It costs about \$200 per team to register, 300 for a varsity team. We will probably need to just sign up for 3 teams even though we won't have a full count yet. If we have 3 teams we will need more practice space.

Jami Woodruff, VP Girls: We had 3 teams, with 27 girls, our largest season yet. Going forward, I want to solidify our program's to grow the girls programs. We are working with others to build our area more for girls' players. We also have a major shortage of umpires/ref's. Each team is expected to provide 1 referee per team to the league. Now, the new rule will be that those teams that do not provide a referee will be the first to be cancelled if there is not a referee available. Looking to add a 7/8 team this year. Have three 7th graders who played for us last year. We need a big recruitment for this level this year.

Playing girls on the boys' teams: The US Lax and the State girls' boards, are against letting girls play on the boys' teams. Jami agrees that girls should not play on the boys' teams for safety reasons. She also notes that there are growing opportunities for girls in the areas of scholarships. Ben notes that he differed with the belief on some points, and that there may be some issues with discriminatory practice if girls are prevented from playing on the boys' teams. More to be discussed on this topic going forward, to discuss the issue.

Doug Chandler, secretary/webmaster. It seemed that the ongoing use of the League Athletics site has been positive overall. We will be entering our 3rd season of this webhosting service.

New this year will be the possibility that we may be able to set up automated payments for those members who are paying over time. This is a brand new feature, and I do not have any other information for that feature.

Doug is not running for re-election, so there are two positions open—secretary and webmaster.

Julie Brewer, treasurer. Gave a financial report. We are financially healthy. She is also working on improving the financial accounting.

Heidi Delich at large: Facebook has been a good way to communicate. Hoping to get more parental involvement in the program. As a parent, volunteer, and board member, she has found how the program really operates, and gets a better feel of the program. She sees a more healthy program with more involvement.

Liz Butt: Feels that more volunteer involvement/support is going to be essential to growing the sport, especially the girls' program. Doug added that our survey stated that many people will be willing to help out, if they are asked to do specific tasks.

ELECTIONS:

There is a proposed bylaws for board positions, which effects the board elections. There was discussion of the process of wanting to vote the new positions now. Ben declined, due to bylaws.

Nominations for President: Ben Hagglund was nominated, seconded for president. No other members were nominated. HE was approved by a voice vote.

Boy's VP: Eric Wietzke was nominated and seconded. He was approved by a voice vote of the membership present.

The discussion was reopened regarding the new positions for the board, and wanting to make the positions and it was agreed to allow the positions to be filled provisionally, pending approval of the bylaws.

Tony Bennett was nominated and seconded by the membership to be the provisional HS Boys VP. The nomination was approved by consensus of the membership present, pending the approval of the bylaws by the membership at the next meeting, and the board approval of Tony.

Girls VP: Jamie woodruff was nominated, seconded, and approved by a voice vote of the membership present.

Secretary: Doug Chandler is retiring from the board. Michelle Kunzman was nominated and seconded. Michelle was approved by a voice vote of the membership present.

Treasurer: Julie Brewer was nominated and seconded. She was approved by a voice vote of the membership present.

Board Members At-Large: Heidi Delich is not running again this year. She is willing to continue to be the Facebook position, and help out at the team level. She is not able to be so involved at the board level. She encouraged the membership to step up and volunteer for this position, as it can be a good way to have a voice on the board. Liz Butt was nominated for the At Large position#1, and seconded. Liz was approved by a voice vote of the board.

At large number 2: Andrea Heuer was nominated and seconded. Jared Judnich was nominated and seconded. A secret ballot was held. Jared Judnich was approved by a secret vote of the membership in attendance.

Budget was presented by Ben Hagglund. `Small adjustments were made in the meeting.

BYLAWS. Proposed bylaw changes were offered in writing by Ben Hagglund. No changes or additions were made. The bylaws can be made official at the next meeting.

Ben Hagglund suggested that we consider adding another member, which would make the board numbers uneven to prevent ties, and to also add to the depth of the board. Discussion was held. The motion was made by Ben Hagglund, and seconded. We will add a third at large position to the language. Of the proposal. It was approved by the membership.

Andrea Heuer was nominated as the provisional at-large #3 member, and seconded. She was approved on a provisional basis pending approval by the membership of the bylaws at the next meeting, and the board of Andrea to the position.

Other comments:

A mention was made of possible coaching options for the coming year. The discussion was raised as to what coaching we may want at which levels, and how we go about recruiting coaching staff. Ben Hagglund made comments that all coaching positions are open every year. Ongoing discussion occurred regarding the needs of the program, as well as for coaching and the future of the program.

The meeting was adjourned by Ben Hagglund, at 9:05PM.

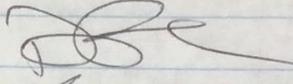
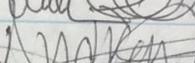
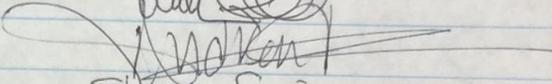
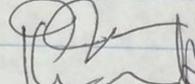
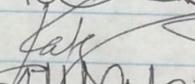
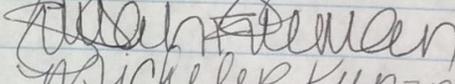


Submitted by Douglas Chandler, outgoing Secretary.

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TUESDAY 10/6/2015

Doug Chandler	
Matt McLean	
William Rhoades	
Andrea Heuer	
Sheila Simpson	Sheila Simpson
JARED DUNNITT	
Kenneth Schroeder	
Katy Shores	Katy
Sarah Foreman	
Michele Kunzman	Michele Kunzman