

# Stanwood Lacrosse Board Meeting

MINUTES

FEBRUARY 9, 2014

ALFY'S PIZZA

<b>MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY:</b>	Ben Hagglund, President
<b>AT TIME:</b>	648pm
<b>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:</b>	--Mike Woodruff, (--) Jamie Woodruff, ( x ) Doug Chandler, (X) Scott Bender (--) Shane Bookshnis (X) Ben Hagglund, (X) Eric Wietzke
Additional Attendees: Jesstin Perez, Andrew Price, Frank Simpson, Tony Bennett	
<b>MINUTES RECORDED BY:</b>	Douglas Chandler, Secretary

## **PARENT COMMENTS:**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	
<p>Tony Bennett reported that he has heard a number of very positive reports about use of Coach Joes' conditioning program for the 7/8 teams. Doug Chandler reported that a parent offered unsolicited comments regarding his positive experience with the program and with Coach Perez and the high school program in particular. There was also some discussion about a parent that had suggested that the program needed some additional visibility in the community. This was discussed. It was suggested that perhaps something like asking for permission to have a scrimmage/demonstration during 1/2 time of a Stanwood HS football game might be good. Erik Wietzke and Tony Bennett volunteered to pursue this with the District's athletic director.</p>	

➤ **TOPIC:** Coaches:

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	
<p>Coach Price reports that the experience of training with Coach Joe and his program this past week was very good. They have booked 6 weeks every Wednesday, and will review with Joe after that, to determine the next steps. Coach Ben noted that his practices this week (3/4) were Tue, Wed and Sunday (today). It was noted to be very cold, and some players left the field in tears. He responded by making sure that all the parents were aware of the need to be prepared for the weather, and also that players this age should be able to leave the practice if they are 'done' for the day. Physical, mental and emotional safety/health was a key theme. The 5/6 team practices have started as well. Mike Woodruff was absent due to illness so had no report. Coach Bennett reports that he feels strongly that the program is doing a tremendous job for overall player development. Coach Price also ;reviewed about planning on team fundraising to help with team goals. The concessions were discussed at length without a planned resolution. Price asked about carwashes or similar. Ideas were discussed. Price also presented that a parent on the 7/8 team, Tracy Strieby made a generous donation of tshirts for the entire team to celebrate the first hard week of turnouts/conditioning, also known as "hell week".</p>	
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	
none	

➤ **TOPIC:** Officer reports

➤ **VARIOUS**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	
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Ben reports that Mark is working on donations and possibly in the \$2000 range. The payments will be to also provide some banners or some other advertisement such as on t-shirts, provided at the sponsors' expense..

Natalie H, the registrar, (via Ben H) reports that the registration money is coming in well.

Ben H reports that the 7/8 teams will not field an A and B teams. This decision was made because at the time because there were not enough players registered to be able to effectively run with an A and B teams. The teams had to be declared to the league. We now have enough players to field an A and B team, but will not have that designation.

Ben also reports that the Invitational fees are all paid.

Head coaches (boys) are all paid for US Lax memberships.

Next weekend, we need to put out goals, and paint field lines to prepare for games.

Ben has also prepared some first aid supplies, focusing on those items we need most—and putting them together with bags which are all stored in the locker.

Uniforms are coming in on budget. The jerseys will be delivered printed and ready. The shorts will come unprinted and be taken to the printer in Mount Vernon for printing our logo and/or name on them.

The HS team will order their uniforms separately.

Next year, Ben wants to have planned dates for clinics—so we can market our program in an effective way.

We received a grant from USLAX of 4 girls' sticks and 4 sets of goggles. These were designate for the 5/6 girls program. But since we did not field a 5/6 girls team, we have contacted USLAX to determine if we can use these for another team.

Registrations appear to be on track. It was suggested that some of the HS players may be slow to register due to being involved in other sports still. The HS registration closes on 2/17/14.

3 spending reports: 1) AAU Stanwood has candy left over from a basketball tourney. They have offered the candy to us at cost. (approx. \$65). The question was raised if we should buy it from them? We can use it for concessions. 2) Ordering new decals, up to \$350. We sold them well last year, and more than covered our costs. 3) T Shirts. Ben wants to order more.

Uniforms will be handed out just prior to the first games. Parents will need to pay for the uniforms in full, and also have their registration fees paid in full.

The NSYLAX meeting is Monday 2/10. The youth game schedules will be published on 2/15. Doug reports that the schedules should automatically populate our calendars at that time.

Candy: Ben moved to approve purchase of the candy from AAU Stanwood. Doug seconded the motion, and it was approved by voice vote.

Decals. Ben moved to spend up to \$350 for decals. Scott seconded the motion. It was approved by a voice vote.

T-shirts. Up to \$650 for purchase, moved by Ben. Erik Seconded, and it was approved by voice vote. The shirts will be purchased from CustomInk. Consideration of other designs was discussed, and the option is open to consider other designs prior to ordering.

Nets: Ben reports that approx. \$140 is needed to purchase replacement nets. Ben moved for approval. Scott seconded the motion and it was approved by voice vote.

Pinnies. Ben reports that we have sufficient money to pay for most, if not all the cost of pinnies for the k-8 players. Pinnies are needed for some games, and helpful for practices. To be fair, we would offer the same amount of money towards HS white jerseys, and towards the girls uniforms. It is possible that the pinnies will be avail for no cost to players. We have discussed previously that we don't want to be responsible for pinnies, as we have a bad record of getting them back.

Scott moved to authorize Ben to pay up to \$20 per pinnie, and the same amount for girls' uniforms and towards purchase of boys' jersey for the HS team.

Erik seconded the motion. It was approved by voice vote.

Mike woodruff has requested to buy 300 cones for use in practices. It would cost approx. \$180 through sportstop.com. Ben moved to approve the funds. Erik seconded the motion and it was approved by a voice vote.

Doug reported that he had completed a draft of a HS player handbook targeting, primarily, the new substance abuse and academic standards policy—with the goal of supporting  coach Perez and the program to ease into the

season with minimal disruption from the policy implementation. □coach Perez was not present. □doug states that he will email it to him..

Scott reports that he continues to try to get the financial information into quickbooks. We have approx. \$11455 in checking, and approx. \$4200 in savings account. We have received approx. \$4000 this month.

Ben predicts at this point that the registration fees likely will be able to remain the same next year.

Erik discussed possibility of more press coverage in the SC News.

Team pictures. Dena bender was volunteered to do the pictures again. She has consistently taken the money generated and donated it back into the program.

Ben moved to approve Dena Bender as the program photographer. Erik seconded and it was approved by a voice vote.

➤ **TOPIC: CONSENT AGENDA**

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**DISCUSSION**

Only item on the agenda was last month's minutes. These were approved without discussion.

➤ **TOPIC: EXECUTIVE SESSION**

➤ **BEN H**

**DISCUSSION**

Ben called an executive session. The board members present met with Ben to discuss personnel and financial matters.

**CONCLUSIONS**

N /a

**ACTION ITEMS**

None.

**PERSON RESPONSIBLE**

**DEADLINE**

The meeting was closed at approx. 8:46 PM.