

Madison Area Lacrosse Association
Board Meeting Minutes – April 12, 2015

Board Members Present

John Welke, President/Sun Prairie
Chris O’Hearn, VP-Girls Youth/Sun Prairie
Tim Prince, VP-Boys Youth/Westside
Jody Spencer, VP-Girls High School/Awards/Verona
Colleen Flesher, Secretary/Stoughton
Dave Wollin (via phone), Treasurer

Not Present: Mark Blume, Past President/Waunakee
Steve Johnson, VP-Boys High School/Westside
Alison Seltzner, VP-Sportsmanship/Sun Prairie
(Open Position), VP-Marketing & Communications

Other Attendees

Ashley Lochner, Waunakee Girls
Eric Logan, Baraboo
Jeremy Sullivan, Youth Referee Coordinator
Brian Kasper, East Madison Wave
Glenn Teschendorf, Umpire Coordinator

Meeting commenced at 7:01 pm.

Approval of February minutes to be via a-mail with correction.

Reports

Treasurer

All teams have paid their 2015 dues. The check is ready to be sent to WLF. Budget is slightly ahead due to Oregon having extra teams. Outgoing payments for officials training; sitting well at this time.

Girls Youth

Games start next week. There is a possibility of one team dropping; with Black River Falls still up in the air. Waiting to hear back regarding the end of season tour.

Girls High School

Reminders will go out to coaches for nominations. The timeline for nominations is now online. MALA will send three people for Girls awards. Five academic awards available; recommend getting transcripts now. All coaches need to register with WLF.

Boys Youth

Games start April 25 and 26. Deforest U15 is out and Baraboo will not have a U9. Eric Logan was announced as the new president for Baraboo. Coaches are responsible for changes to their schedule and contact information at madlax.org. Tournament schedules have been problematic for youth schedules since there are so few weekends to work with for so many teams. There is a coaches meeting in Fitchburg tomorrow night.

Steve would like to consider festival-style scheduling for next season.

Girls Umpires

Games are barley covered provided no one calls in sick; six games with crews of three. Nine umpires were lost and three gained at the high school level. The Girls have split into a separate group in Arbiter now so umpires see only girls games in Arbiter. All team contacts can see officials and games.

High School Boys Referee Coordinator

Low turnout for Rules Review; only seven. All games are now assigned. There are very few Varsity games without three referees. Waunakee game times will be changing (Jody).

Youth Boys Referee Coordinator

All games are covered so far without issues.

Field Waivers: Lancers have a concrete slab causing a narrow field and Verona boys have a short field. MOTION: Tim moved; Chris 2nd. MOTION PASSED.

Co-Op Requests: Oregon/Stoughton/Cambridge/McFarland Girls and Lancers (Monona Grove/LaFollette). MOTION: Tim moved; Jody 2nd. MOTION PASSED. Granted co-op are good for one year.

Coaches Off-Season Contact: John handed out WIAA HS Rules at a Glance and a MALA Situation and Recommendation Report regarding proposals for modifying the WLF Coach contact rule (attached). DISCUSSION ENSUED (mirror WIAA; unrestricted during season; etc). MOTION: Present Option 1 and 2 to WLF at their next meeting, 4/20. Moved by Chris; Tim 2nd (Steve abstained). MOTION PASSED.

Jody would like to propose an off-season league for the girls – high school and youth. She will move forward with presenting it to the WLF board.

Next Meeting

May 6, 2015

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.