

BADGERLAND LACROSSE ASSOCIATION

March 21st, 2018 at 6:30 pm

Edgewood HS Room 8

Minutes

Board members present: Josh Klein President, Mike Evans Treasurer, John Goetzka VP Boys Youth, Tim Leung Webmaster, Zach Silber Treasurer, Brian Holmes VP Girls HS, Toni Wizner VP Girls Youth, Sarah Kleeman Marketing/Communication, Mike Shor Sportsmanship

Board members absent: Dylan Baier Sauk Prairie/VP Boys HS

Others: Sue LaChance Oregon, Sheri Zahler Verona, Leif Mikkelson Waunakee, Jeremy Sullivan

1. Call to order 6:35 by Josh K
2. Approval of February 15th, 2018 minutes **
 - a. Motion to approve by Brian H, second by Mike E Motion **passes unanimously.**
3. Public Comment.

This section of the meeting provides the opportunity for comment from persons in attendance on items not listed below over which this governing body has jurisdiction. Comments on matters not listed on this agenda could be placed on a future meeting agenda.

 - a. Discussion on ref fees going up \$5, reasoning to follow suit with Milwaukee.
 - b. Will not be using Arbiter Pay for ref payments, clubs must have cash/checks at game.
 - c. Note to send out officials fees to all clubs this year: Brian H
4. President report Josh K
 - a. Communication and board roles
 - i. Area of weakness is communication with clubs, will work to improve.
 - b. Hiring of a part time league director and feasibility study of such.
 - i. Discussion on hiring a director, cost to do so, and potentially moving to a five-person board, while using an accounting service. Looking for more individuals to help the search process, as well as figure out pay, etc.
 - c. Jevin Schedule process.
 - i. Having a toll gate system in which we have set cut off dates for registration, etc from John Goetzka, holding teams accountable.
 - ii. possibly backing time frame up of creating the schedule to allow for teams
 - iii. Look at moving schedule process back into March.
 - d. Club participation at BLA meetings as stated in Bylaws, review.
 - i. Not enough participation from clubs, low attendance at meetings.
 - ii. Stated in bylaws that they need to be at every meeting.
 - iii. Maybe re-send information to club representatives that point out bylaws that someone needs to be here.
5. Secretary report Mike E
 - a. Schedule will be confirmed moving forward.
6. Treasurer report Zach S
 - a. Still receiving dues, well after Feb 28th due date, teams will now be charged \$25 for a late fee. Teams will have to forfeit until dues are paid, officials will not be sent to games until dues are paid.

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to day operations on an individual. (tax filing, w9s, audits, etc.)

- c. Grant checks are ready for distribution, but waiting on club payments.
7. VP, HS Girls report Brian H
 - a. HS girls officials training dates: Sat April 7, Sunday April 8, Sat April 14 (youth).
 - b. Mon May 21 showcase game for girls HS
 - c. Wed May 23 coaches conf awards at Fitchburg Library.
 - d. Playoffs: Sat May 26 seeding, May 27, 29, 30 initial rounds of tournament, Sat, June 2 - June 5th semis, June 8 championship game at Carroll College.
 - e. Master schedule comes out of arbiter off BLA, updates are sent from coaches to Dave W
8. VP, Youth Girls report Toni W
 - a. 2018 youth girls rules**
 - i. Youth coaches meeting at Cabela's in SP
 - ii. Modifications: no goalies at 10U, updated points of emphasis.
 - iii. Motion to pass by Toni, second by Brian. Five yes, one abstain. **Motion passes**
 - b. Youth coaches meeting at Cabela's in SP
9. VP, HS Boys report (given by Mike E)
 - a. Dylan's end of term resignation
 - i. (I've) started working on a "to do" list for my replacement.
 - ii. (I'll) still be able to help out when help is needed or advice is needed and will occasionally attend meetings.
 - b. General announcement about AD's gaining interest in taking on Lax.
 - c. Received notice last night that La Crosse may not have a JV this year.. Will update once I get a decision from them by the end of this week.
 - d. Madison College double booked our Red Conference Tournament game so we have to look elsewhere for that game.
 - i. (I've) been in contact with Reddan. Once their soccer schedule is completed (this week) they will let me know if we can have it there.
10. VP, Youth Boys report John G
 - a. Focusing on autopilot toll gate processing and communication main emphasis. Aim to get better commitment from teams, save frustrations, arguments, etc.
11. Communications Director report.
 - a. Girls hs showcase game, working with Dicks to sponsor, send potential sponsors their way.
 - b. Dicks weekend 175 coupons were used first weekend, second weekend was 72 uses.
12. Sportsmanship Director report.
 - a. Wanting to know how the board feels how far we should go with certification and making it mandatory. Discussion for another time.
 - i. problem is there is nothing to enforce these initiatives.
 - ii. Call clubs and tell them that we cannot enforce this but are strongly suggesting it because it is

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13. Officials Report.
 - a. General updates
 - i. Boys youth meeting 3/29, 45 signed up to attend, WILOA getting allowance to get HS rates for youth games experienced refs for youth games.
 - ii. Struggle to fill KM and Watertown
14. Webmaster report.
 - a. Schedules: boys youth are uploaded on site, still needs to go to arbiter. HS boys and girls are loaded. Girls youth schedule is done needs to be uploaded.
 - b. Should add club contact list on site.
15. Old Business: Note, old business is reflected in the above breakouts if specific to a board member position or committee. "General or Global Old Business" will be reflected in this section.
16. New Business: Note, New Business is reflected in the above breakouts if specific to a board member position or committee. "General or Global New Business" will be reflected in this section.
17. Adjournment.
 - a. motion to adjourn Zack S, second by Brian H. Meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm
 - b. The next meeting is 4/18 ay 6:30 pm @ Monona Public Library