



Rogers Lacrosse Association

Monthly Meeting Minutes

December 2nd, 2012

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Przybilla Residence

Present: Paul Przybilla, Lisa Przybilla, Tom Daly, ~~Mike Lind, Jamie Guse~~

- I. Call To Order: **7:00 PM**
- II. Approval of October 2nd, 2012 RLA Board Meeting.
 - a. **Motion to Approve the 10/2/2012 RLA Meeting Minutes: Motion: LISA Second: TOM Vote: 3-0**
- III. Finance Update
 - a. RLA Report (Lisa Przybilla) Nothing at this time
 - b. Grant Expenditure for Nets **Perform purchase by mid-December Holiday Deals available**
- IV. MBSLA and YLM Meetings (Tom Daly and Paul Przybilla)
 - a. Summary of MBSLA Meeting Held November 17th, 2012 at 10am at National Sports Center
 - i. New Building allow fall/winter clinics indoors.
 - ii. Financial Report (\$1600 shortage in ops Budget).
 - iii. Major MBSLA Bylaws revises to better align with YLM.
 - iv. Elections: Harold Buck-VP, Mark Erickson-Treasurer, Josh Scott-Secretary
 - v. Multi School Exemptions Example: Hopkins School of Arts allowed at St Louis Park.
 1. We need to formally add Kaleidoscope or others in our area. **Otsego for Rogers**
 2. Charter High School in area: Elk River or Rogers? **Kaleidoscope, Spectrum St Johns Lutheran**
 - vi. Individual Exemptions such as home school kids must occur prior to season and submitted to MBSLA and must be reviewed every year. **All individual exemptions must be submitted annual**
 - vii. Fund Raising Presentation (Tom Daly)
 1. Impact Fund Raising-John Frank
 2. Kevin Reed and SLP raised \$8,000 in one 5 hour blitz of discount cards
 3. Tom Daly has packet and ideas **Just Spring MBSLA and High School**
 - viii. MBSLA Varsity & Youth Season starts on websites
 1. Youth is a 6 weekend season
 2. Starts April 13th and ends week prior to Memorial Day (May 18th-19th)
 3. Registrations MUST be closed by February 15th.
 - ix. Wish to keep growing Officials Pool look a basketball, baseball, hockey and football refs.
 1. Changed Officials from white to black shorts.
 - x. Discussion of Rogers, Delano, Tartan and North St. Paul moving the HS State Sanctioning.
 - xi. Private Schools seeking MBSLA to involve itself with keeping Private School teams together for summer programs.
 - xii. Movement for MBSLA to adopt "U" structure versus existing grade structure:
 1. Cited injury studies that support the U15, U13, U11 and U9 age groupings.
 2. Cited US Lacrosse has leverage as they serve as the liability insurance provider for the league.
 3. Membership voted 22 in favor and 8 not in favor of adoption of U system.
 4. Rogers Lacrosse Association supported based on injury study and US Lacrosse.
 5. Players in 9th grade playing JV/Varsity will not be allowed to play MBSLA U 15 and will be a larger issue with YLM.

- xiii. MBSLA and YLM are talking about merging the organizations
 - 1. Common "U" structure and bylaws becoming more like one another is moving it in the proper direction.

- b. YLM Annual Membership Meeting Summary for Sunday, November 18th, 2012 at 7pm at St. Thomas
 - i. House-keeping approval of past meeting minutes, treasurers report, etc.
 - ii. Elections: Chuck Friedbauer-President (former Secretary), John Sacomann-VP, Jackie of Edina-Secretary, Deb from Chan-Chaska-Treasurer, Matt Dempsey-Director of Officials.
 - iii. MBSLA/YLM Merger discussion would not occur until 2014 Season continue talks thru 2013.
 - 1. The new organization would umbrella both Boys and Girls programs in MN.
 - iv. "Gold Stick" Standards US Lacrosse
 - 1. MN is 1 of 5 leagues in US to participate as a pilot
 - 2. YLM is presently 85-90% compliant with standards already.
 - 3. Includes the following highlights:
 - a. US Lacrosse certified coaching (Level 1, Level 2) more than YLM rules review.
 - b. We will be a tier 2 club in summer of 3 tier system of leagues.
 - c. All games must have 2 officials present.
 - d. All players and coaches must have US Lacrosse memberships.
 - e. Must move to the age "U" system versus the grade system.
 - f. MN would be the NW Region with includes ND, SD and others with MN as dominant in region due to size, growth and participation.
 - 4. YLM Membership approved becoming a "Gold Stick" standard league with an exception that Coaching certification requirements will not be met until 2014 (no later than 2015) as there is currently no Coaches training infrastructure locally to support the number of needed coaches trainings that will be needed.
 - v. Movement of YLM Leagues to Age Based "U" system versus grade based system:
 - 1. Very spirited discussion.
 - 2. Restatement of studies and growth/size of age groupings for safety.
 - 3. Need for "Gold Stick" standard & US Lacrosse desire as insurance holder.
 - 4. Membership voted (36 ayes to 9 nays) to adopt the age based system "U" for the 2013 summer season with no 9th Grade players playing JV or Varsity eligible to play U 15 .
 - 5. YLM and South Metro associations will provide JV Varsity Leagues for HS players to include those ineligible to play U 15 to play during the summers.
 - 6. YLM is creating a sub committee to review all details concerning the age based topic.
 - vi. Rules and League Changes for YLM 2013
 - 1. All "Roughing" penalties will be "Non Releasable" penalties.
 - 2. Cup protection is required but Officials cannot be checking for it & remains responsibility of Coaches to assure they are worn.
 - 3. Seeking to add Friday or Sunday U9 and U11 games due to officials availability (shortage) and desire to be able to have officials ref 2 games per Friday or Sunday. RLA Board needs to land on a night (we suspect Sunday's would be preferred over Friday's due to cabin and travel times.)
 - 4. District Directors must be elected by the District Membership no the YLM Board.

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- V. Minnesota State High School Boy's Lacrosse Sanctioning is SUCESSFUL as of Monday, November 26th, 2012 Rogers High School has a Boy's Varsity and Junior Varsity Lacrosse Team as an "independent provider" basis.
- a. Acknowledgement of Board members (Lisa Przybilla and Tom Daly) for their efforts over the past 2 years meeting with High School and School District Officials that evolved into a successful effort.
 - b. The School District assumes the \$250.00/player participation fees which will cover 1 Head Coach and 1 Assistant Coach.
 - c. RLA Needs to not sit back on the current success but must create action items to further the success of the program as an "independent provider" (self-funded sporting activity):
 - i. Arrange a meeting with Dan Ohlgren, Rogers HS AD to discuss the following:
 1. Head Coach Recruitment timeline (Roger HS will do but we can use our networks).
 2. Scheduling of other teams (Delano, Tartan and North St Paul) AD may not be aware of.
 3. Discuss opportunity of scheduling games on the stadium field as Elk River will be able to schedule games on their football stadium field in 2013.
 4. Availability to schedule RLA Meetings in the HS Building.
 5. Discuss opportunity to set up "in building" recruitment booth/efforts.
 - ii. High School Boys Lacrosse Fund Raising and Goals
 - a. To fund a second assistant coach? **\$4,377 for assistant \$5681 Head Check Elk River pay scales.**
 - b. Talk to Impact Marketing on discount cards or go it alone? **Tom heading up, what are is occurring with other athletic associations. Car test drives with car dealers.**
 - c. Sell water softener salt? Yes with additional Board staff.
 - d. Approach the Rogers Lions Club for more funding? **High School Team & Youth.**
 - e. Other ideas? And what additional financial goals
 - iii. Discuss Targeting Recruitment Effort to Fill Coordinator positions (include Youth or High School player parents):
 1. Director of Women's/Girls Lacrosse Programs **Rita Walstrom invite to next Board Meeting. Monday, January 7th, 2013 7pm**
 2. Coordinator of Fund Raising: **Seek existing parent pool to participate.**
 3. Coordinator of Registration:
 4. Coordinator of Equipment & Apparel:
 - a. Online store
 - iv. Recruitment and Marketing Efforts
 1. Review latest video being headed by Jamie Guse.
 2. Review of Social Networking Efforts.
 3. Review for Spring, 2013 MBSLA Youth Team opportunities (U15,U13,U11 & U9).
 4. Discuss Girls Lacrosse opportunities and possible time lines.
 5. Approach AD on access to other non-spring athletics coaches High School.
 6. Motto: Be a part of History-Rogers Lacrosse 2013. Established 2012.
- VI. Other Items To Discuss
- VII. MOTION TO ADJOURN: **Lisa Motioned 3-0 In Favor**

Time Meeting Adjourned: **8:07 PM**

MINUTES AUTHORIZED BY:



Paul Przybilla, RLA President

December 2, 2012

Date