

WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL BOYS LACROSSE ASSOCIATION
Minutes of December 13, 2011 Board Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 7:21 PM - in the M.I. High School Staff Lounge

Attending: R. Hawley, B. Fortier, H. Valentine, R. Wright, I. O'Hearn, K. Lucchesi.
P. White and P. Sidebottom (via Skype)

1269 Referee contract update: I. O'Hearn reported on the contract negotiations and several points presented by WALOA were discussed. A lengthy discussion followed about the position of referee assignor as WALOA will no longer serve as that role. It was noted that a private contractor (LLC) may take on the job of assignor. A suggestion was made that we contact WOA as they fill that role for all of the high school sports officials. It may be possible to contract with them.

Action items: I. O'Hearn will call WOA to inquire about the possibility of contracting with them for lacrosse referees. R. Wright will contact the WSYSYA to find out how they handle the state soccer referees. It was recommended that the board receive proposals from potential assignors.

1270 Vancouver update: Kings Way sent another note inviting the WHSBLA board to go to Vancouver to hear their concerns and suggestions for expanding teams in the area. It was agreed that R. Hawley and R. Wright will travel to represent the WHSBLA board at such a meeting.

1271 The WHSBLA board would also like to reach out to the program representatives in the Tri-Cities area for similar expansion discussions. H. Valentine and I. O'Hearn offered to work with those programs east of the mountains. Discussion followed about the role of WHSBLA in recommending the split of a large program.

1272 A request was made by the US Lacrosse-Washington Chapter to receive a copy of the WHSBLA contact list for communication purposes. It was determined that this would not be an issue as USL-WA works cooperatively with WHSBLA to meet the needs of the state league including hosting the championships and providing valuable training opportunities for our coaches. I. O'Hearn will contact Dave L. to determine specifically what they are requesting.

1273 Insurance update: K. Lucchesi reported that the cost of purchasing General Liability coverage through K&K Insurance would be \$3500.00 and D&O coverage through same has a \$735.00 premium. Because the premium through US Lacrosse for D&O coverage is \$385.00 (USL does not offer General Liability coverage), it was determined that we will continue to carry our D&O coverage through US Lacrosse but look to K&K for general liability. Discussion followed about the possibility of requiring all programs to have full US Lacrosse membership for the 2013 season. The decision to require membership was

tabled until the end of this season but programs will continue to be made aware of that possibility in the future so they can plan accordingly.

- 1274 J. Guity Petition #99 seeks clarification as to whether or not a transfer from Garfield HS to Roosevelt HS will allow him to continue to play for Garfield. Discussion followed as to whether or not the transfer rule is in effect.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded that J Guity be allowed to play his senior year at Roosevelt per the transfer but is not allowed to continue to play for Garfield. Motion carried 6-0. R. Wright abstained from vote.

- 1275 S. Hess Petition #98 requests that he be allowed to play lacrosse at Mukilteo based on a hardship as his father is no longer coaching the girls' team at Snohomish. His father will now coach girls at Mukilteo .

MOTION: Hess Petition #98 is denied 6-0. The decision is based on the ruling that the player has failed to meet the criteria for a hardship request.

- 1276 The 2012 Coach's packet and season 'Need to Knows' information was discussed. A few changes were noted and such changes will be made on the invoices. Invoices will be sent to all programs at the beginning of January.
- 1277 Brandon asked that if there are any changes needed to the boundary document, please send them to him for updating.
- 1278 A boundary question was brought to the board about a middle school student who will eventually attend Cedar Park Christian HS in Bothell. They live in the Monroe area. The player would like to know what program he will play for. The answer was relayed back via email that as Cedar Park is an unassigned private school, he will play for his resident public school.
- 1279 A question was brought to the board from the Whatcom program asking whether or not the league could subsidize the cost of fields if games were to be held at a neutral site accommodating for large travel distance. The league is not set up to pay for fields. P. White will report back to the program. The suggestion was made that the teams split the field cost for such games.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:47 PM.

Kathi Lucchesi

Executive Secretary/Treasurer

