



Centennial Youth Lacrosse Association
Board Meeting October 29, 2009
Minutes

Chris Hable called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Members Present:

Chris Hable, Greg Manning, Mike Hudzinski, Paul Jensen, Teresa Meierhofer, Shelly Rankin, Matt Ulfig, Brandon Almich.

1. The following actions were taken via email since the August Board meeting:

- Mike H. made a motion to order \$1312 of CYLA apparel to stock for off-season purchases. Board members voted 0 in favor and 9 against this motion.
- Mike H. made a motion to order \$516 of CYLA apparel to stock for off-season purchases. Board members voted 6 in favor, 2 against and 1 abstention of the motion. Mike H will order 6 hoodies, 12 T-shirts and 12 baseball caps from Ideal Advertising.
- Greg Manning made a motion that the CYLA provide \$1700 as a down payment for MN Swarm season tickets that would be sold to CYLA members, with the goal of selling 44 season tickets to receive either a half or full day lacrosse clinic for CYLA players provided by the MN Swarm players. Board members voted 3 in favor and 6 against the motion.

2. Elections

Elections for the following offices were held among meeting attendees. The results of the elections were:

Equipment Director – Mike Hudzinski
Treasurer – Brandon Almich
Boys Director – Matt Ulfig

3. Treasurer's Report

Teresa M. provided the Board with an updated financial report. Teresa M. also reported that the IRS is currently processing the CYLA application for tax-exempt status.

Conclusion / Action / Plan for Follow-up:

Teresa M. made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Seconded by Mike H. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

4. Membership Comments

None.

OLD BUSINESS

5. Apparel

Board members discussed how best to advertise the apparel that was ordered.

Conclusion / Action / Plan for Follow-up:

Mike H. will pick up apparel in the coming week and post photos, product descriptions and quantities on the website. Chris H. will contact the webmaster to see what options we have to modify the website to better facilitate the sale of apparel. Paul J. will post an apparel order form with a link to Mike's email on the website and send out an email to the membership informing them of the availability of apparel.

6. Spring Tournament

Chris H. asked for input regarding a spring tournament the 3rd weekend in May. Board members discussed the options and agreed that the CYLA should pursue this further. Volunteers would be needed to staff the tournament. Depending on the number of fields, the tournament could be a single age group, or two age groups, either 5th/6th or 7th/8th grades.

Conclusion / Action / Plan for Follow-up:

This will be discussed further at the December meeting.

7. Spring Season

Bill reported that he has spoken to Mike Kohler from the Centennial Sports Arena. The CSA is willing to provide field time to the CYLA this spring, from mid March through April. Board members agreed that this would be preferable than using the Shoreview arena. The indoor practice time would be primarily used for skills development, although there exists the possibility of scrimmaging a team from another association.

Chris H. suggested scheduling a free introductory lacrosse clinic for new players early in spring at CSA. The CYLA could provide equipment as needed so these kids can get a chance to see if they like the game. Mike H. suggested getting some of the HS kids involved as youth coaches. The issue of insurance was discussed, as these players would not be US Lacrosse members. US Lacrosse may have a policy for insuring clinics for non-USL members.

Conclusion / Action / Plan for Follow-up:

Mike will need to work on a preliminary budget for the December meeting. Bill will find out the hours for the CSA availability.

NEW BUSINESS

8. CMS Fields

Bill talked to Brian Hronski for the 2010 season. Brian noted that the CMS might have more control than the city over the middle school fields this summer. Plans for renovating field 5 for 2010 have not been finalized.

Conclusion / Action / Plan for Follow-up:

Bill will remain in contact with the Park and Rec department.

9. Registration

Registration dates will be set at the December Board meeting. Matt U. noted that the timeline from the YLM for team registration is similar to that from last year.

Conclusion / Action / Plan for Follow-up:

None.

10. Volunteer Hours

If the CYLA hosts a tournament, in addition to concessions for the HS boys and girls teams, parent volunteer hours will be necessary. Board members discussed the number of hours that would be available for a spring tournament, MBSLA play dates, HS concessions and team photos.

Conclusion / Action / Plan for Follow-up:

Shelly R. will work out an estimate for volunteer hours and bring back to the December Board meeting.

LEVEL REPORTS

11. Boys Director Reports

Matt U. provided the Board with an update from the YLM annual meeting. A lot of discussion focused on player/coach behavior issues. MBSLA is considering creating a 5/6th grade and splitting the 7th and 8th grade level into two separate levels. The final vote will be made at their November meeting.

12. Girls Director Reports

No report.

13. Equipment Director

No report.

14. Facilities Director

No report.

15. Registration Director

Shelly R. reported that she has received information from several photography firms and will bring samples to the December meeting.

Chris H. thanked Teresa M. for all of her work in getting the CYLA up and running.

16. Adjournment

Chris Hable made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Greg Manning. The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 pm.