

August 22, 7-9 PM, MPS Admin building

Board members present: Kim Zimmer, Jonathan Moore, Jodi Remacle, Ryan Venman, Diane Frickey, Jen Glackin, Steve Hill

Board members absent: Joe Stadelmaier, Chad Stearns, Nicole Wilson, Heather Watkins

Coaches/Committee members present: Bill Janescko, JT Updegraff

Action Items

- Jonathan will schedule a meeting with Tom and Ryan for transferring scheduler info from Tom to Ryan
- Jonathan will schedule a meeting with Ryan and Joe to discuss the civic arena schedule request
- Nicole will prepare a financial summary for HTG 2019
- Joe will talk to Windover's principal
- JT will inquire about Windover
- JT will inquire about the Humane Society property
- Jonathan will add a summary of the yearly schedule and what to expect to the home page
- Kim will parse the survey results to provide the team-specific feedback to each coach and also identify in club-level things that need to be addressed
- Diane will prepare a proposal for the "new player starter kit" in time for it to be approved before registration opens on January 1
- Joe, Jonathan, Ryan, and Nicole will propose a date for HTG 2020

Update to by-laws to allow electronic voting by email

- The following change was approved by a majority of the board (7-0)
- in-person discussion and voting at a board meeting is still the preferred method of making board decisions
- records of the electronic votes will be kept for future reference
- the club secretary or president may initiate an electronic vote by sending an email to the board members stating clearly and concisely what the vote will decide
- a minimum of 3 days must be allowed for discussion after the vote is initiated before votes can be cast (at which point the secretary or president will call for votes)
- only votes sent by email to all of the board members will be counted
- the vote will remain open until either the yes or no votes represent a majority of the board or until 7 days have passed since the call for votes
- after 7 days, if neither yes nor no votes represent a majority of the board, then the vote is nullified

Civic Arena Reservations for fall/winter

- Schedule request is due to the civic arena by Sep 6
- Depending on what Joe has planned for HS box, we might (for example) want 5 hours each week (1-girls, 2-U10/U8 alternating with Men's, 3-U12, 4-U14, 5-HS) from the beginning of Nov until end of March.
- Bill and Kim suggested Wednesdays

- Girls would like an early time
- Nov-Feb would be used for box, March would be used for youth spring practices
- We also need several miscellaneous reservations for try lax sessions
- We would also like to add additional miscellaneous times in March for spring practices
- Jonathan would also like to propose starting a tradition of an alumni vs current HS players game between Christmas and New Years
- Joe, Jonathan, and Ryan will meet to discuss the schedule request before Sep 3

Fogo/goalie training

- FOGO: \$600 total (\$50/hr per coach)
- Goalie: \$1250 total (\$1000 for Brad at \$100/hr and \$250 for Jack Erickson at \$25/hr)
- Coaches should come to the sessions for their age group if they can
- We should also videotape the sessions
- This expenditure was approved unanimously (7-0)

Finances

- For 2019 so far: ~\$40.5 input and expenses ~42k
- Steve asked about the definition of the fiscal year, and Jonathan confirmed that the by-laws define the fiscal year to be the calendar year
- Steve proposed a Quickbooks subscription for 1 user at \$20/month to allow for better organization and reporting regarding club finances
- This expenditure was approved unanimously (7-0)
- We also need to decide on a system for categorizing deposits and withdrawals that are triggered by sportengine

Honor the Game

- We need Nicole to prepare a financial summary for the 2019 event
- May 2: If we had it the same weekend as last year, it would be May 2...but there are also tournaments in Lansing, Grand Rapids, and St. Joseph that weekend and the boys HS teams play away in Lansing in the evening
- May 9: conflicts with Waverly, prom is May 9, HS boys play at home at 11 AM and 12:30 PM, Mother's Day is May 10
- May 16: conflicts with Motor City Lax Jam, HS boys play away at Northville at 2 PM and 4 PM
- May 23: no youth conflicts, HS playoffs have started, Memorial Day weekend
- May 30: no youth conflicts, HS playoffs have started
- Joe, Jonathan, Ryan, and Nicole will discuss further
- In responding to the spring survey, someone asked why we don't have a girls tourney
- We could potentially run it like Eagle Jam with girls on one day and boys on the other
- We could cross-promote with Eagle Jam
- On the other hand, the girls are already having trouble getting volunteers for the needs they already have
- Presumably, to be successful the idea of adding girls to HTG would need to be driven by leaders on the girls side (e.g. Jodi and/or the Wilsons)

Real estate

- Windover – Joe is trying to get in touch with principal, JT will also inquire (he used to work with the principal)
- Humane Society – we're waiting for reply from board, JT will inquire (he volunteers at the Humane Society)
- It was suggested that we form a sub-committee to pursue real estate options

Survey

- Kim briefly reviewed the results of the spring feedback survey
- It might be a good idea to prepare a best practices for team parents
- Kim will see if she can parse the results to provide summaries per team and identify anything that needs to change at club level
- Jonathan will add more info to the web page in terms of a summary of the yearly schedule of what to expect

Starter kit for new players

- The club is considering using the \$2000 from the 2019 Community Gives grants to offer free equipment starter kits for new players (while supplies last)
- FHC doesn't have a specific vendor
- Starter kit – Peranis no longer carries a starter kit but will prepare a proposal
- Stallion 50 \$160 w/o stick, \$170 stick
- Stallion 200 \$200 without stick, \$220 with
- Maverick charger \$160
- We agreed that we would probably continue using StringKing for the sticks
- Diane will prepare a proposal for the "new player starter kit" in time for it to be approved before registration opens on January 1

Summer and Fall lax

- Momentum Lacrosse appears to be folding or at least greatly reduced in scope
- Momentum hasn't been a great option during the last few years anyway (practices in Lansing)
- Jonathan would like us to consider re-starting Saginaw Valley 989 Lacrosse sometime in the next few years, perhaps as an explicit collaboration with the Bay City and Saginaw clubs

Board members

- The by-laws allow for at most 12 board members
- After Tom's resignation, we currently have 11
- Adding a 12th is probably a good idea if for no other reason than getting someone else involved
- Be thinking of people who might be interested
- Board member possibilities
 - Amy Brandt
 - Christine Brillhart
 - Jen Pedelty (Heather mentioned the possibility to her and she is interested)

- The Raus