

GRALA MEETING MINUTES

March 28, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m. (Dutch Room)

CALL TO ORDER

- Attendance: JamieLee Maturi, Molly Tulek, Brea Marsh, Jerry Johnson, Zach Beyer, Mark Surface, Allison Ahcan, Abe Dagle, Mike (8U Head Coach)

- Review & Approve Minutes from 2.28.23
 - 1st Motion – Brea, 2nd Motion – Zach, All in Favor - Yes
- Review & Approve Agenda
 - 1st Motion – Brea, 2nd Motion – Zach, All in Favor - Yes

BOARD UPDATES

PRESIDENT

- **Registration**
 - 2024 Season To Do - Need to host a check collection night for both registration, dibs and uniforms.
- **DIBS**
 - Requirements per player:
 - 2022 was \$100?
 - How many per player?
 - Who is waived?
 - JamieLee waiting on template from Dan Stark
 - Look into creating a DIBS committee for 2024 season
 - Check collection process for DIBS & uniforms
 - Coaches need to appoint managers to do this.
 - Checks collected need to go to Ashli for safekeeping

VICE PRESIDENT

- **Shootout**
 - Everything moving along although girls' registration is slow

TREASURER

- N/A

SECRETARY

- Girls Youth Coaching Manual is complete
- Peachjar and Mailchimp accounts have been created for the youth program.
- Girls room block for state tourney is complete: June 2-4, 2023
 - 37 Rooms at Minneapolis Marriott West
 - 27 Rooms at Minneapolis Marriott Courtyard West
 - Hotels are connected
 - Block will be released on May 8

GIRLS YOUTH COORDINATOR

- **Registration #s & Fees**
 - Registration Fees waived for?
- **Game matchups and scheduling – aiming to be done by April 8**
- **Equipment Requests**
 - \$1800 requested for 2 portable goalie nets, goggles, swax balls
 - 1st Motion – Molly, 2nd Motion – JamieLee, All in Favor - YES
- **What is the process for paying for turf for games when our grass fields aren't ready yet?**
 - Reviewed details shared by Donnie on 2.28.23

BOYS YOUTH COORDINATOR

- **Coach Stipends?**
 - \$1k for head coaches (10u and above); \$500 for 8u head coaches and all assistant coaches.
 - Registrations all-time high, even pre-pandemic!!!!
- **Game Schedules:**
 - 10U - 14U are complete
 - 8U, Timarie Ferguson will be scheduling games with regional teams.
 - 6U will be coached by varsity girl's and boy's players after their practices, two days a week in May. Currently working with Molly T, Mark S and Zach B on individual coaches and scheduling. Practices likely to take place at the conclusion of varsity practice times at Conifer Field on 16th Street NW across from St. Andrew's church.
- Waiting on Mother Nature and ISD 318 for go-ahead on practice field scheduling. West Elementary gym is currently scheduled through the end of April if needed.
- **Host Day 5/7/23**
 - Noble Hall estimated cost for host day (5/7) to ISD 318 \$2200! Coach Beyer to talk to Anne Campbell to see if this can be reduced.
 - GNLL to subsidize final total by half the cost(3/24/23 per Jing). Final invoice to be sent to GNLL. GNLL normally subsidizes up to \$60/hr for future turf rentals. Metro prices are \$100-125/hr. ISD 318 normal pricing is \$150/hr but Sunday with custodial OT makes it \$185/hr.
- **Dibs needed for host day on 5/7 at Noble Hall Field (Host Day)**
 - Help from other boys' parents who are also board members would be greatly appreciated in setting this up!
 - Games scheduled from 9am through 7pm
 - Workers needed 8am-8pm?
 - 10U plays from 9am-12pm
 - 12U plays from 12pm-3pm
 - 14U plays from 3pm-7pm
- **Potential dibs work:**
 - Field Supervisors - 2-hour slots, 5 people throughout the day?
 - Field setup and tear down to help Kenny Aho (Fields & Equipment Supervisor), 2 people at start and end of day
 - Two additional nets to be brought there if there is only two currently on turf

- Two tables (to be placed at least 6 yards from the sideline) and at least two chairs per table.
 - A timing device and a backup for each field.
 - Seven cones or pylons per field, two fields for 10U.
 - Two horns (required for all games at all levels).
 - An official scorebook or score sheets for each field.
 - At least 4 game balls on each end line to start each quarter if ball retrievers are not used (for 9/10 and lower games, each team provides balls for the end line on their bench side of the field). At all levels, balls must be replenished when they run out or the team responsible for that end line risks a delay-of-game violation.
 - A visible scoreboard at each table
 - Net repair material, i.e. zip ties
- **Concessions? (Host Day)**
 - We will have access to the concession stand and bathrooms.
 - GRALA Parents? Varsity Boosters?
 - 3 parents at a 2-hour time slot each?
 - Jerry said previously that GRAHA has items available
 - Papa Murphy's pizza and pizza cookers? David Heinonen is an 8U parent who is mgr at Papa Murphy's. Willing to donate? Sell some at discounted price? Jessica Aho to check out if GRALA parents pursue concessions?
- Varsity Lax team plays in Moorhead, Friday 5/12 at 6:30pm. 10 & 14U teams will be in Moorhead for tournament 5/13&14. Try getting families to Moorhead to support the boys!
 - There is also a PLL camp in Fargo on 5/12 that all tournament attendees are invited to, emails sent to parents.
- **We are now a PLL verified program!**
 - Thanks to those who completed the training and answered any questions I had. GRALA is now a part of the biggest lacrosse league in the world. Premier Lacrosse League (PLL) has welcomed GRALA into their family. Group ticket information has been sent out to all GRALA families for MSP weekend events. The group ticket discount will save everyone 20%. PLL Camp information will be provided at a later date, to be held in GR area. Looking at end of season wrap up fun event single day event "camp" with PLL pros.
- **Fan wear shop set up through Clifton's**
 - 15% back to GRALA on purchases. Website sent to families via Sportsengine and on webpage.
 - Bladeshark Sports vinyl decals website sent to families and on webpage, 15% back to GRALA on purchases.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS

- **Summer Tourney Interest**
 - Thinking August 2&3, Registration Mid-June
 - Request being made for an extension from Anne Campbell
- **Coach Finalized for JV**
 - Cadence Erickson = JV
- **Financial Requests**

- Up to \$1,200 to purchase goggles (20 pair) for try-it nights, clinics.
- Up to \$3,000 to underwrite registration for summer tournaments 14u, HS
- Up to \$1,500 to purchase 10 intermediate-level for try-its and clinics.

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS

- **Donation Request**
 - Wondering what the process is to request a \$5k donation from the youth program
- **GRALA Mission/Vision Statements**
 - Motion to discuss putting some time into recreating these and creating a 2-year plan together to reach these goals.
 - Motion to discuss more cross-involvement between youth & high school program
 - Zach to put together some bylaws and programming to support varsity programming

GIRLS BOOSTER CLUB

- Girls are budgeted to raise \$5k more than spend through fundraising this year

SOCIAL MEDIA COORDINATOR – N/A

FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR – N/A

LOGISTICS COORDINATOR

- Plans to get into the storage unit the week of March 27 to do net repair as needed.

DISCUSSION/COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS – N/A

NEXT MEETING DATE(S)

Tuesday, April 25 @ 6:30 p.m.

Dutch Room (room reserved starting at 6:00)

MEETING ADJOURNED

- 1st Motion – Brea, 2nd Motion – Jerry, All in Favor – Yes