

Montana High School Lacrosse Association

DRAFT PROPOSED MEETING MINUTES

Date: 10/16/19
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Phone 605 475-4043 Access Code:982909

Call to Order: 7:00 pm

Roll Call (X indicates present)

Matt Rizzolo – X, Sarah Flynn – X, Mike Garcia, Lynette Thompson, Brynn Schwarz – X, Dane McCollum, Blake Wahrlich X, Rosie Castriz, Dave Madeira

1. Approval of Agenda
 - a. No quorum to vote.
2. Approval of last meetings Minutes
 - a. No quorum to vote and approve the September minutes.
3. Treasurer's report
 - a. No Report – Lynette not present.
4. President's Report
 - a. Blake sent documents to review for Business items below.
5. Regional Representative Reports – no reports at this call.
 - a. Northwest Region – Matt:
 - b. Western Region – Sarah:
 - c. Central Region – Mike:
 - d. Southern Region – Dave:
 - e. Eastern Region – Dane:
6. Old Business
 - a. None.
7. New Business
 - a. General Membership Meeting
 - i. Topics –
 1. Championship weekend for 2020 and 2021.
 - a. 2020 – where it will be hosted for the 2020 season.
 - b. 2021 season and rule change from West Billings Bandits program – details of how this would implemented with the new rule – specifically the schedule – would the state championship stay the weekend before Memorial Day? Or have the championship weekend after Memorial and have the conference championship the weekend before?
 2. Rules changes
 - a. Two rule changes were approved to move forward to the General Membership:
 - i. Conference championship
 - ii. Rule related Boundary Document and supporting development of JV teams (submitted by Hellgate)
 3. Budget for 2020

A copy of the meeting minutes are available for public inspection at MTHSLAX.ORG within 8 business days for proposed minutes and within 5 business days of approval for approved minutes.

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4. Montana Lacrosse Officials Association (MLOA) Contract
5. Vote on Black Hill application to join the league
 - a. Should we invite a representative from their board to the general membership meeting? They asked if they should attend; Blake let them know that it wasn't necessary due to the travel time/distance.
6. Board membership voting –
 - a. Late application – will not be considered, but write-in candidates are allowed for all open positions, if desired.
 - b. Propose bylaw change to remove titles of regional representative and have each program have a representative; particularly with an Executive Secretary to support communications.
7. Hudl – Matt is getting information this week.
 - a. Can Hudl keep historical year-to-year stats for players? This would eliminate the need to register teams/players through the MHSLA website for this purpose.
 - b. Will still need to keep stats at games and enter them into the MHSLA website until filming is being done by all teams and done well enough for accurate stats. Hudl would be a good check/balance.
- ii. The General Membership meeting must be attended by a coach, board president, or other adult designated by the Member program to represent that Member at the meeting. Request no more than 2 per program due to space limitations.
 1. Not a rule, but prefer that existing MHSLA board members do not vote on behalf of their program's to avoid the perception of conflicts.
- iii. Sarah will request the room until 5:00.
- b. Executive Secretary
 - i. Blake submitted an application for the Executive Secretary. No other applications were received.
 1. If hired, Blake would resign as a board member effective immediately and Matt would fill in as President leaving the Vice President position open.
- c. MLOA Contract
 - i. Blake met with MLOA representatives Kevin Terry, Shane Shaw, and others to review a draft contract. Details of the new draft contract include:
 1. This is a 2-year agreement through the 2021 season to get ahead on the contract agreement. At the end of the 2020 season, negotiations will begin for the 2022 contract.
 2. The MLOA will collect payments for the 2020 season. The MHSLA will support the MLOA receiving payments by prohibiting play for teams that are not current on payments.
 3. The MHSLA will generate and send invoices to the MLOA for review, then MHSLA will send the invoices to the member programs, and programs will send payment directly to the MLOA.
 4. The MLOA would like to collect payment as 50% down and the remaining 50% payment part way through the season.

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5. An important change to the contract was splitting out administrative fees from officiating fees to help with tracking expenses, as follows:
 - a. Officiating fee: \$105/game/team – covers 3 officials for each game (\$70/official = \$210/game). If only 2 officials work a game, teams will be reimbursed.
 - b. \$15/team/game – per diem fees.
 - c. \$175 for administrative fees (Arbiter, Assignor, etc.)
8. Other Business
 - a. Follow-up regarding letter to Big Sky
 - i. Blake will follow-up with Lynette to verify that the certified letter was received.
 - b. Grant application status – Blake will see Lynn at the Western Regional Conference in a month and will follow-up then.

Meeting adjourn at 8:44 PM.

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