

York County Lacrosse Association

Meeting Minutes –

October 15, 2006 at Penn-Air Hydraulics, York, PA.

The meeting was called to order by Bob Rhein at 7:09pm. Roll call was performed:

Present

Kevin Heiland (Central York)
Albert Hoffman (Dallastown)
Bob Rhein (Eastern York)
Dave Reeder (Northern)
Joe Dashler (Red Lion)
TJ Buchanan (South Western)
Dan Wilmot (Spring Grove)
Steve Marshner (Susquehannock)
Nate Wilker (West York)
Guy Muller (Shooting Irish)
Nick Hendler (York Suburban)
Randy Will (York Suburban)

Absent

Jeff Pregner (South Eastern)

1. **Minutes** – Guy Muller moved to accept minutes from the September meeting; Dan Wilmot seconded. Minutes were unanimously approved.
2. **Old Business**
 - a. **Vote to accept New Oxford** -- New Oxford was expected to be present to seek formal membership into the YCLA. However, with no representative present, the vote was deferred until next month's meeting. Bob Rhein will contact Jason Cross to confirm that New Oxford must be present before a vote on its membership will be conducted.
 - b. **PIAA adoption of boys' lacrosse** -- Bob Rhein confirmed the results of the PIAA vote to adopt boys lacrosse as a sanctioned sport beginning in 2009. (A copy of the press release can be found at <http://www.piaa.org/news/details.aspx?ID=38>.) The vote has spurred activity between many of the clubs and their school districts. The status of each club relative to school recognition is:
 1. Central York – already recognized by school with club status;
 2. Dallastown – meeting with school district next month;
 3. Eastern York – no immediate plans;
 4. Northern York – plan to contact school district in near future;
 5. Red Lion – already recognized by school with club status;
 6. South Western – already recognized by school with club status; making a proposal for varsity status for 2008 season.
 7. Spring Grove – in communication with school district; planning for club status (probable date 2008);
 8. Susquehannock – meeting with school district this week;
 9. West York – no immediate plans
 10. Shooting Irish – no contact with school board/diocese;
 11. York Suburban – has made proposal for club status to school; was initially rejected though school has promised some sort of recognition; not sure what it will be; school has indicated its desire for YAIAA recognition before proceeding.
 12. South Eastern – not in attendance
 13. New Oxford – not in attendance, though earlier notification was school has already adopted club status.
 - i. A few clubs reported that their athletic directors are now taking the approach that school acceptance is inevitable;
 - ii. However, it was agreed that YAIAA acceptance is necessary for the schools to go any further than club status. Bob Rhein will formally contact the YAIAA and District III to inform them that as many as seven clubs will have some form of school affiliation this spring;
 - iii. It was also noted that once schools adopt varsity status, they are not going to be able to compete against clubs that are not recognized by their schools.
 - iv. Bob Rhein reminded everyone that if schools adopt the sport as a varsity program, there will be significant changes in operating procedures with all authority turned over to the school district;
 - v. A couple of clubs have begun putting together budget requests for their AD's. General feeling is start up costs are in the mid-\$20,000 with recurring costs of approximately \$15,000 per year.
 - c. **YCLA post-season travel teams** – TJ Buchanan provided highlights of the meeting held on September 26th.
 - i. Meeting was beneficial to bring those who have been involved with forming these teams in the past together;

- ii. Coordinators were determined for the following age groups: TJ Buchanan (High school); Dave Unger (freshmen and sophomores); Jesse James (U15). Nick Hendler since volunteered for U11, leaving the U13 and U9 teams unassigned.
- iii. The group recommended moving tryouts up to May each spring.
- iv. Costs that players can expect to pay include helmet, jerseys and registration fees for a minimum of four tournaments. Depending on numbers, it was suggested that team selections include alternates who would be called upon when needed.
- v. Coaches should begin working in November-December to put together summer schedule.

3. New Business

- a. **Referee Fees** – Bob Rhein encouraged clubs to review the new referee fees established for the 2007. Steve Connaghan had communicated the fees via AssignbyWeb. They are:

2007-2008 CPLOA GAME FEES PER OFFICIAL:

HIGH SCHOOL

Varsity: 80

Jr. Varsity: 70

Varsity/JV: 130

YOUTH LEVEL

Senior Division: 60

Senior Division/Sr. Division: 100

Junior Division: 60

Junior Division/Jr. Division: 100

Lightning Division: 50

Lightning Division/Lightning Division: 80

Bantam Division: 50

Bantam Division/Bantam Division: 80

ALL SCRIMMAGE FEES ARE 1/2 THE REGULAR GAME FOR THE LEVEL OF PLAY.

- b. **Coaches reps for youth leagues** – Following up conversation from last month’s meeting, members agreed to create liaison positions between the coaches and the board for each level of play. Bob Rhein serve the U9/U11 groups; reps still need to be determined for U13 and U15.
- c. **Other New Business**
 - i. **Scheduling Meeting** – A scheduling meeting for youth programs was set for 5:00pm on Sunday, December 3 at Penn-Air Hydraulics in York. Each age group will be given a 45-minute block of time. Bob Rhein will send out an email with specific times for each group.
 - ii. **Laxfest** – Bob Rhein will solicit via email any clubs interested in hosting Laxfest 2007. Clubs will be asked to submit a written proposal prior to the December board meeting.
 - 1. **World’s Longest Game** – Bob Rhein asked for acceptance of his plan to donate proceeds from this year’s event to the Make-A-Wish Foundation. The group unanimously approved the idea.

4. **Next meeting** – The next Board meeting was scheduled for **5:00pm** on Sunday, **December 10th** at Penn-Air & Hydraulics.

5. The meeting adjourned at 8:37pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Dave Reeder