

York County Lacrosse Association

Regular Association Meeting Minutes

December 15, 2009 at 7:00 PM
Regents Glen Country Club Champions Room
1000 Golf Club Drive, York, PA, 17403



I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call – Executive Board

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| a. | Central York | John Yantek | i. | Lions | Frank Young |
| b. | Wildcat | Phill Bates | j. | South Eastern | Absent |
| c. | Gotham City Thunder | Dave Hagan, Jr. | k. | South Western | Mark Sparaga |
| d. | Eastern York | David Stickler | l. | Spring Grove | Doug White |
| e. | New Oxford | Dan Badolato | m. | Warrior | Excused |
| f. | Northern York | Excused | n. | West York | Pat McCauley |
| g. | Red Land | Rick Stambaugh | o. | Shooting Irish | Jeff Antolick |
| h. | Red Lion | Joe Dashler | p. | York Suburban | Andrea Cellasio-Kehoe |

III. Roll Call – Officers

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| a. | President | Phill Bates | c. | Secretary | Nick Hendler |
| b. | Chairman | Dan Badolato | d. | Treasurer | David Stickler |

IV. Call to Order

Guests in attendance: Dan Wilmot (SPLOA Liaison)

V. Approval of Previous Minutes

Motion made by by Andrea Cellasio-Kehoe to approve the meeting minutes from the regular association meeting held on November 17, 2009. Second made by Phill Bates. Motion passed 12-0. The executive board representative for the Shooting Irish was not present for the vote, but arrived afterward.

VI. Recognition of Guests and Guest Presentations

None.

VII. YCLA Treasurer's Report

David Stickler provided a Treasurer's Report dated 12/15/2009 to the Board.

VIII. Old Business

- a. The following motion was at the November meeting made by Doug Gamber and seconded by Dave Hagan and is pending vote at this meeting:

“To approve the use of the South Penn Lacrosse Officials Association (SPLOA) to assign officials for 2010 spring season YCLA league games, thereby making the SPLOA the only such approved officials assigning authority for 2010. Further, to fully support the use of junior officials at the SPLOA Assignor's discretion, and to approve payment of an Assignor's fee of \$50.00 per team, and to approve payment of game fees as published for 2010, which remain unchanged from 2009, to be paid in full by the home team.”

Dave Hagan amended the motion as follows:

“This approval is dependent on the SPLOA publishing an acceptable cancellation policy which does not include a weather-related cancellation fee and does not include a fee exceeding 50% for forfeitures.”

Motion approved 13-0.

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b. Final presentation of proposed rules changes including:

(1) Extraction of articles from the YCLA By-Laws into a House Rules document; (2) Inclusion of all lacrosse rules and conventions used by the YCLA in a rules document which will account for the NFHS rule book, US Lacrosse modifications to the NFHS rule book, and the YCLA rules modifications posted on the SPLOA website used by the officials; (3) Contact rules at the U9 and U11 levels; (4) Use of official's assigning authorities by the YCLA; (5) Formulation of club defection and acceptance policies.

The ByLaws must be updated during the Rules document process. During the update to accommodate for additions and deletions due to the introduction of the Rules document, the ByLaws should be modified to account for stricter membership guidelines, electronic voting procedures, membership requirements and other items. Clubs should consider which items may be currently missing from the ByLaws and which items need improvement.

Nick Hendler was instructed to compile all of the various reports and recommendations from the various committees charged with this task, cross reference them against discussions during regular and special association meetings, and produce a revised version of the Association By-Laws based on that information.

On 01/06/2010 a revised Association By-Laws document, document number REV200912B, was sent to all executive board representatives and officers via email for review. Executive board representatives are instructed to share this document with their member club as the following motion was made by Dan Badolato and seconded by Phill Bates, to be voted upon at the regular association meeting in January:

"To approve the replacement of the York County Lacrosse Association's By-Laws with the proposed York County Lacrosse Association By-Laws contained in the document numbered REV200912B."

c. Discuss changes to the website including Dallastown 'Wildcat' change and official name request for the new Red Lion Rec club.

The Red Lion Rec club will be officially entered with the member name 'Lions Lacrosse Club'. Website updates are pending for the Dallastown to Wildcat change, the Lions Lacrosse Club addition and Red Land Lacrosse Club updates.

d. ImPACT testing update from Dan Badalato, the new Wellspring ImPACT point-person.

The Association will recommend testing for all players (U9-U15) for the 2010 YCLA Spring Season. Testing will be available online and will not have to be completed by players who have already been baseline tested.

e. Follow up on paint order requirements.

David Stickler will be taking requirements for paint, balls, nets, goals, mouthpieces, tape and ice packs for the 2010 YCLA Spring Season. Several options exist for members to pool resources and buy items in larger quantities at less expensive prices.

f. Discuss proposal to make LaxFest part of the YCLA Tournament by combining 4 all-star games with 4 championship games. The premise would be to have an all-star and a championship game for each level (U9-U15) during the course of the day. Perhaps teams playing in the championship refrain from sending players as all-stars.

The following motion was made by Mark Sparaga and seconded by Doug White, to be voted upon at the regular association meeting in January:

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"To replace the LaxFest event entirely with an event in which the YCLA Championship games for each age division are played on the same date at the same location. The first annual YCLA Championship event shall be held on May 22, 2010."

The revised Association By-Laws document, document number REV200912B, contains the changes necessary to support this motion. If the motion to change the By-Laws (reference section VIII.a) is approved, this motion will be automatically modified as follows and held to a vote:

"The first annual YCLA Championship event shall be held on May 22, 2010."

- g. Discuss preparation for the World's Longest Running Lacrosse Game, which has been scheduled for 03/20/2010 at Lanco Field House from 7AM – 1PM.

No new information available.

- h. Follow up on 2010 scheduling discussion. It was recommended that teams schedule as many games on the following nine dates as possible: 03/27, 04/10, 04/17, 04/24, 04/25, 05/01, 05/02, 05/08 and 05/09. Beginning with the weekend of 05/15, teams should reserve space for LaxFest, or the first round of the YCLA Tournament.

The Lumberjack Tournament sponsored by Spring Grove will be held on 05/01, therefore the recommend dates of play being 03/27, 04/10, 04/17, 04/24, 04/25, 05/02, 05/08 and 05/09. Teams must not schedule games on 05/13 or later as space should be reserved for the YCLA Tournament games and the YCLA Championship games.

LaxFest may not be an issue if the motion in section VIII.f passes.

Tuesdays and Thursdays are very open as far as officials and fields are concerned due to the fact that the YAIAA does not typically have high school games on those days.

The January scheduling meeting has been scheduled for 01/31/2010 from 4PM-7PM and the tentative location is Heidelberg Park Recreation Building in Spring Grove, PA. Doug White is working on securing the building for that date.

IX. New Business

- a. The Lumberjack Tournament is scheduled for 05/01/2010. There will be a three game minimum for teams and 16 teams in each age group. The cost of \$285 per team includes 15 t-shirts.
- b. \$592.00 is due to the Positive Coaching Alliance for PCA certification of board members, parents and coaches in 2010. 02/27/2010 was identified as a possible date for the coaches certification meeting and the board members and parents meeting should be set up for March.
- c. The 2009 SPLOA Award for Sportsmanship was presented to Eastern York by Dan Wilmot, President of the SPLOA. Eastern York won the votes of SPLOA officials as the most sportsmanlike member of the YCLA.
- d. The Red Lion Lacrosse Club asked for exemptions for five players who otherwise qualify to participate in the U15 age division to be able to participate in the U13 age division in 2010. Red Lion explained that the players would not have a team if not permitted to play down, and all are either young or small or inexperienced. The players are: Tyler Dunlap, Patrick Snyder, Domenic Francisco, CJ Weigle and Colby Joins.

The following motion was made by Dan Badalato and seconded by Doug White, with a vote to immediately follow the motion:

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“To issue exceptions for Tyler Dunlap, Patrick Snyder, Domenic Francisco, CJ Weigle and Colby Joins to play lacrosse in the U13 age division for the Red Lion Lacrosse Club during the 2010 spring lacrosse season.”

Motion approved 13-0.

- e. The following motion was made by David Stickler and seconded by Phill Bates, to be voted upon at the regular association meeting in January:

“To approve a payment of \$385.00 to Bollinger Insurance for renewal of Directors and Officers Insurance.”

X. Next meeting date

01/31/2010 from 3PM-4PM. Tentative location is Heidelberg Park Recreation Building in Spring Grove, PA.