Minutes – Badgerland Youth Lacrosse

February 2025 Board Meeting



Date: 2/18/2025, 7:00pm CT, Virtual Call

Attendees

- Brian King (Waunakee) President
- Russ Coley (Waunakee) VP Boys
- Ric Stoor (Waunakee) Treasurer
- Walt See (Middleton)
- Daniel Kalscheur (Middleton)
- Jeff Reuter (Janesville)
- Ava Kenny (Dir of Marketing)
- Alex Kramer (Verona)
- Travis Norski Lax
- Kari Grasse (Waunakee)
- Tony Klemme (Sun Prairie)
- Jeremy Sullivan (Boys Official Coord.)
- Scott Saunders (Girls Official Coord.)

Tentative Agenda

- Call to Order Brian King
 - Meeting was called to order
- Meeting Minute Acceptance Brian King
 - November meeting minutes accepted.
- Open Board Positions (Secretary Role, Girls VP Role) Brian K
 - Secretary and Girls VP roles are open
 - o David Armiak, Dir of Sportsmanship, will be resigning at end of 2025 season.
- Treasurer Update Ric Stoor
 - o \$27,114 is current balance
 - o 1099s went out to Scott and Jeremy (they were over \$500)
 - o Filed 990 IRS
- Sportsmanship Update David Armiak
 - None
- Marketing Update Ava Kenny

- There is Facebook event for the Dick's Sporting Events
- We have added 2025 Tournaments in the News and Resource

Additional Items

- Upcoming Schedule Full Schedule on page 5 of minutes
 - BLA game weekends will be the following:
 - April 12 (Badger Spring Invite)
 - April 19th (Easter Weekend)
 - No Games on Sunday;
 - Games on Saturday
 - April 26th
 - May 3rd
 - May 10th (Mother Day Weekend Many clubs at KM Tournament)
 - May 17th
 - May 24th (Memorial Day No Games)
 - May 31st
 - June 7th (Deforest Tournament)
 - Clubs discussed option of doing evening games.
 - Clubs were open to it potentially later in the season, assuming officials can be available
 - Clubs also agreed to play games on the Saturday of Easter Weekend
 - Clubs agreed that doing some games around Memorial Day weekend should be an option we explore.

• Walk On Items - All Clubs

- Groups discussed the volume of girls registrations so far.
 - Discussion about Girls Numbers and Coaches:
 - Verona:
 - o 14U: 6 registered, potential for 17.
 - o 12U: 9 registered, potential for 19.
 - o 10U: 9 registered, potential for 8.
 - o 8U: 3 registered, potential for 9.
 - o 6U: 2 registered, likely to play up.
 - Sun Prairie:
 - 14U: 11 registered, a few more potentials, no coaching leads.
 - 10U: 3 registered, 2 parents willing to coach. Considering having 5th graders play up with 6th, 7th, and 8th graders.
 - Waunakee Girls
 - o 40 registered, targeting 60.
 - Middleton Girls
 - o 10 10U, 15 12U, 17 14U
 - o Think we will get 20-30 more girls
 - Janesville Girls
 - Struggling to refresh 14U as many went into high school
 - o 10U expecting 20 girls

- Girls Coaching Challenges:
 - Sun Prairie is exploring the logistics and potential issues of having new 5th graders play with 8th graders.
 - Suggestions were made to consider having parents coach teams other than their own child's team to avoid conflicts and ensure they can watch their child play. 4
 - Russ mentioned the possibility of reaching out to an interest group with about 50 people, including those with playing experience, to find potential coaches. 5
 - Both Waunakee and Capital City expressed interest in additional coaching help. 67
 - Ava mentioned a previous successful connection with a coach who is now helping a high school team and is looking for new connections.

Meeting Close

Closed without objection

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Meeting Recap and Notes:

Scheduling and Season Planning:

- Walter discussed the challenges of traveling for work and the need for AI assistance from Danielle and Maggie. 1
- Brian outlined the timeline for the season, aiming to have preliminary information by mid-March, a draft schedule by the end of March, and the final schedule by the first week of April. 2
- The season will end later this year, with the last week of games and the Deforest tournament scheduled for June 7th and 8th. 3

Board Positions and Elections:

 Open board positions include Secretary and Girls VP roles. David Armiak will step down at the end of the season, and elections for President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Communications will be held this year. 4

Treasury Update:

• Ric provided the account balance and mentioned sending out 1099 forms and submitting the 990 postcard with the IRS. 5

Marketing Update:

 Ava created a Facebook event for the Dick's Sporting Goods weekend and updated the website with tournament information and group ticket discounts for Marquette lacrosse games. 6

Upcoming Schedule:

- Key dates include boys' virtual officials training, team and field information submission by March 14th, and a broader all-club coaches meeting on March 18th. 7
- Discussion on scheduling games during Easter weekend and the possibility of weekday games later in the season. 8

Girls Youth Registration:

• Various clubs shared their current registration numbers and challenges. Verona, Sun Prairie, Waunakee, Middleton, and Janesville provided updates on their expected team numbers and potential co-op arrangements.

Coaching Needs:

• Discussion on the need for additional coaches, with suggestions for reaching out to interest groups and creating a centralized platform for coaching inquiries.

Action Items:

- **Scheduling Coordination** Brian to work with Jeff and Karen on scheduling, including potential weekday games around Memorial Day.
- Coaching Outreach Russ to reach out to the Epic interest group for potential coaches.
- Marketing Follow-up Ava to explore creating a centralized platform for coaching inquiries on the website.

2025 Badgerland Lacrosse Calendar (Tentative)

January

All Month	Official Outreach and Recruiting
• January 15 th , 2025	Publish Draft Badgerland Rules
• Tue., January 21 st , 2025	January BLA Board Meeting

February

•	Tue., February 18 th , 2025	Feb BLA Board Meeting
		Publish Final Badgerland Rules
•	Sun., February 23 rd , 2025	Boys Officials – Virtual Training 1

March

	Note: No March Board Meeting
 Tue., March 18th, 2025 	Badgerland All Clubs/Coaches Meeting
 Mon., March 17th 2025 	Earliest Start of Practice
 Sun., March 16th, 2025 	Girls Officials – Virtual Training 2
 Fri., March 14th, 2025 	Provide Team Counts and Field Information to BLA
 Sun., March 2nd, 2025 	Girls Officials – Virtual Training 1
• Sun., March 2 nd , 2025	Boys Officials – Virtual Training 2

Sun., March 30th, 2025
 Mon, March 31st, 2025
 BLA Team Fees/Dues Due

<u>April</u>

•	Sat., April 5 th , 2025	Boys Officials – Field Rating Day
•	Sun., April 6 th , 2025	Girls Officials – Field Rating Day
		**MAYLA Field Rating April 6 (backup day of April 13)
•	Mon., April 7 th , 2025	Publish Final BLA Season Schedule
•	Sat. April 12 th , 2025	Badger Spring Invite (Girls)
•	Sun., April 13 th , 2025	Badger Spring Invite (Boys)
•	Tue., April 15 th , 2025	April BLA Board Meeting
•	Sat/Sun, April 19 th , 2025	First Weekend of BLA Games
		Easter Sunday is April 20th

**MAYLA First Games Weekend April 26/27th

May

•	Sun., May 11 ^{th,} 2025	Mother Day Weekend (Kettle Moraine Tournament)
•	Tue., April 20 th , 2025	May BLA Board Meeting
•	Sat/Sunday, May 24-25 ^{th,} 2025	Memorial Day Weekend (No BLA Games)
•	Sat/Sunday, May 30-31 ^{st,} 2025	Last Weekend of BLA Games

<u>June</u>

•	Sat/Sunday, Jun 7 th -8 ^{th,} 2025	Deforest Tournament
•	Wed., June 11 th	Badgerland All-Star Game(s) - Location BTD
•	Tue., June 24 th , 2025	End of Year BLA Club Meeting