

WMYLC General Membership Meeting September 3, 2024 Minutes

Attendance Board Members: Adam Heller, Chrissy Heller, Ron Hudson, Ed Johns and Cindy Hargett

Attendance Organizations: Brunswick, Carroll Manor, Catoctin, Damascus, FSK, HAYLA, Jefferson County, LOUYAA, Panhandle Pride, MVAA, Smithsburg, South Carroll, Spires, St. Johns, Walkersville, Waynesboro, and Urbana

Began 8:02pm

- Board Positions Update (Adam)
 - Needs:
 - Treasurer Urgent need
 - Fundraising Coordinator
 - Special Event Coordinator
 - Suggested modification to Special Event Coordinator:
 - End of Season Tournament Committee Chair
 - Golf Tournament Committee Chair
 - Rules and Competition Committee Chair(s)
 - Western MD Lacrosse (Former USA Lacrosse) Liaison Ron Hudson will be filling this role
 - If anyone is interested in participating in any of the above listed Committees, please let Chrissy know ASAP

Each Organization should try to be part of a Committee

- Welcome new member(organization) and Welcome Back HAYLA
 - o Kettie Leighty from Waynesboro
 - Right now, providing clinics
 - Hoping to have a few teams for the Spring
 - Cole Barnhart from HAYLA
 - After a year away, HAYLA is trying for a comeback Welcome Back!
- 2024-2025 WMYLC Calendar Review See attached
 - Nicole expressed concern with FCPR not opening fields until 3/31/2025. Organizations can request a waiver to access fields early but not guaranteed.
 - Adam to reach out to TL at FCPR and ask the reason behind waiting and express our concern on how this affects our conference for the Spring season which is already shortened due to holidays.
 - Suggestion made for centralized games for March games
 - MVAA also will have issues with fields this Spring due to soccer fields being demolished
 - Bryan Moran (GVAA) asked why we end prior to Memorial Day Adam explained it was because we would lose families to the holiday, end of year school activities and club tournaments beginning shortly after the holiday
- Education/Training USA Lacrosse Update (Cindy)
 - Reminder all coaches must be at least Bronze level and membership must be up to date through May 31, 2025
 - Start reminding your coaches now

Financial Update

- August Bank Statement: August 1 beginning balance \$23,857.84, August 19 paid deposit to FCPR for End of Season Tournament at Utica \$2,074.00, August 31 ending balance \$22,988.09
- o Present 2024-2025 Budget will begin to work on once the 2024-2025 Board is established
 - Organization Fee
 - Team Fees
- Fundraising/Sponsorships
 - Looking for businesses within WMYLC willing to help
 - Exploring many different options: Grants, Golf Events, BINGOs, etc
 - Also suggested a Gun Raffle but open to suggestions

Open Floor

- Any updates to Commissioners, Girls and Boys Coordinators, please email them to Chrissy ASAP.
- Rules and Competition Committees forming now. If interested in being included, please let Chrissy know ASAP. We are looking to hold meetings in November/December timeframe. WMYLC Coordinators will moderate the meetings to be held in a local library conference room to allow for no distractions and healthy discussions. Separate meetings will be held of Boys and Girls.
 - We may have to limit the capacity to allow for timely and productive meetings
 - Discussion points presented:
 - Suggestion made for weeknight games to be discussed
 - Centralized game locations throughout the season
 - Nicole suggested starting B teams later in the season to allow for additional practices for more development
 - Nicole also suggested eliminating the 7/8 A/B Division. Put all teams together due to only 4 teams in the 7/8 A division last season.
 - Barry commented a concern about being competitive but also portraying good sportsmanship – Win with grace, not driving up a score, but coaches would need to coach this approach
 - Bryan M suggested that if an organization only has 1 team, it should be an A team and the 2nd team be a B team
 - Bryan S commented that for CYA, they have combo teams due to rebuilding the program. Not appropriate to put a 5th grader B team member against an 8th grader A team member. Safety concerns.
 - List of committed individuals:
 - MVAA Lexi and Chris
 - Spires Barry
 - GVAA Bryan M
 - DSA Ryan
 - Urbana Nicole
 - Jefferson Sandy
 - Carroll Manor Bryan S
 - Brunswick Foust's
- Next Meeting is October 1
 Adjured at 8:33pm

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