STILLWATER AREA LACROSSE ASSOCIATION

SALA MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

October 2026 | 2026 Annual Meeting Recap

SALA Families:

Whether you were able to make it to SALA's 2026 Annual Meeting or not, we wanted to get a full recap out to the whole community so everyone is caught up heading into 2027. We covered a lot of ground:

A REFRESHED LOOK

We unveiled a refreshed logo and look for SALA, something we are excited to start rolling out across the website and future gear.

OUR UPDATED MISSION

We adopted an updated mission statement to help guide the Board's decisions going forward: **developing coachable athletes, building character, and putting community first.**

2026 END-OF-SEASON SURVEY

We walked through the results of our 2026 End-of-Season Survey — 63 families took the time to respond, and we cannot thank you enough. We shared what is working well (coaching and player development came through loud and clear), where we want to improve, and we reviewed a set of draft recommendations for the incoming Board to build on for 2027. (Also see the One-Pager 2026 Survey Summary.)

SEASON REVIEW & 2026 ANNUAL REPORT

Each of the Boys and Girls Directors presented a season review, and we also presented our 2026 Annual Report recapping areas of strength and opportunities for growth.

BYLAW UPDATES

We passed several bylaw updates — mostly housekeeping, including clearer meeting-notice timelines and a couple of important corrections to make sure our Girls Program Director role is described accurately.

BOARD ELECTIONS

We elected our new slate of officers for the year ahead, and I am honored to be stepping into the President role. Huge thanks to Alison Jones, Josh Plisch, Elliott Walther, and Mark Sargent for their years of service. SALA is in a much stronger place because of the work they put in. Congrats to Nikki Grosso, Matt Fosse, and Ted Fifield for their election along with the continued service of Robby McGarry.

OPEN FORUM

Our Open Forum was full of energy: ideas about spring game scheduling, informal fall training for our youngest players, and how we get more families exposed to the game earlier. Keep that feedback coming — it is exactly what helps us get better.

MEETING MATERIALS

Since so much was covered, the complete meeting minutes and presentation materials — including the 2026 Annual Report, survey results, bylaw updates, and mission statement — are available on **stillwaterlacrosse.com**, and we would genuinely encourage everyone to take a look.

Thank you for being part of this community. We are excited about where SALA is headed in 2027, and we could not do it without all of you.

Go Ponies!

Kyle Loing
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