

## **October SBYL Board Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** November 26th, 2024  
**Time:** 8:00pm  
**Location:** Google Meet

### **1. Roll Call/Attendees**

	<b>Name:</b>	<b>Title:</b>
1	Dolan Simmons	President
2	Aimee Starita	Vice President
3	Kenyon Murphy	Secretary
4	Laura Mooney	Treasurer
5	Brian Dawson	Registrar
6	Britney West	Schedule Coordinator
7	Jackie Lagasse	Uniform Coordinator
8	Paul Lagasse	Equipment Coordinator
9	Mike Vacca	Marketing/Fundraising Coordinator

### **2. Reading of the Minutes of proceeding meeting**

- a. Held October Elections, filling secretary role
- b. Sponsorship and fundraising updates
- c. Uniform Discussion
- d. Equipment Needs
- e. Miscellaneous Items: Try-it-days, Goalie Clinics, Pre-season Gym Time, Game Schedule, Crossbar, Squad Locker

### **3. Treasures Report**

We currently have \$44,236 in our general account. Up about \$5K from Sponsorship. We don't have any major expenditures coming in the next month. No outstanding Sponsor Checks.

### **4. Reports of the Directors and Officers**

#### **a. Sponsorships Update**

We have raised \$6,700 to date from 11 sponsors. Reviewed balance sheet and additional sponsors. Discussed prior year sponsors who have not reached back out this year. We are still looking for additional sponsors.

#### **b. Uniform**

New uniforms for each age groups this year were reviewed, voted on and approved for both boys' and girls' age groups, along with some discussion for shirts for the instructional age group. We held votes for Shooter shirt designs, Boys uniforms, Girls uniforms, "Stonington" vs. "Bears", and shorts logo. Results:

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- Shooter shirt: Bear watermark on back
- Boys: Collegiate Cut, with gold triangle details
- Girls: Racer back cut, with gold triangle details
- “Stonington” on away side, “Bears” on home side
- Shorts Logo: S with Crossing Sicks

The board considered coaches shirts versus polos, along with further discussion regarding coaches’ discounts for SYL coaching apparel and reviewed some options.

Also discussed were uniform numbers and a process that will allow players to keep or select their numbers. The current proposal is to have only new players select their jersey number during registration using the Crossbar Jersey number management system. Current players will not have the option to change their jersey numbers.

### c. Registration Fees:

Discussion of registration and enrollment costs, which will now include full uniforms (jersey and shorts) for all age groups. Note that in previous years, uniforms were purchased separately after registration and this year it will be included in the registration fee.

- \$40 per 4-week session for instructional (2 sessions split), or \$70 for 2 sessions – proposed
- \$160 for U8/U10 (includes full uniform)
- \$200 for U12/14 (includes full uniform) – increased referee expenses as a cost driver.

For comparison last year’s registration (\$125) plus uniform cost (\$55) was \$180. In an effort to offset the initial equipment investment for beginner players, we decided to decrease the U8 & U10 costs and raise the U12 & U14 fee to cover increasing referee expenses

### d. Equipment Needs / Budget

Discussion and approval for the following expenses:

<b>Equipment Needs for 2025</b>			
<b>Description</b>	<b>QTY</b>	<b>Unit Price</b>	<b>Total</b>
4x4x4 Lacrosse Goals	1	\$ 149	\$ 149
Portable Creases	3	\$ 90	\$ 269
Practice Balls - Cases (120)	10	\$ 153	\$ 1,530
Custom Tents	2	\$ 150	\$ 300
Scoreboards	2	\$ 170	\$ 340
Advertising: Signs	1	\$ 200	\$ 200
Advertising: Flyers	1	\$ 100	\$ 100
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### **e. Season Schedule**

Discussion of potential season start dates, number of games per age group, and potential jamborees and tournaments. Also discussed was potential for winter clinic locations or any offerings leading into the season given the unavailability of Mystic Indoor Sports, along with a strategy to avoid conflicts with other Spring sports, along with notional discussions about field availability.

### **f. Miscellaneous Items**

Discussion registration for registration to open, notionally is December 2, 2024, with further discussion required for a registration window.

Discussion about CPR/first aid training for coaches with actions to look into options

## **5. Adjournment**

Adjournment - the meeting concluded at 9:17pm