

YOUTH LACROSSE MINNESOTA
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)
1/31/2021

The meeting was held via ZOOM this year and approximately thirty two (32) associations were in attendance.

The meeting was called to order at 5:59 post meridian.

The previous minutes from the last AGM was voted on and approved

Matt Dempsey thoroughly went over the agenda items and procedures on how to vote, asking questions and how the meeting was going to run.

The first rule of business was to vote on who could vote in this AGM.

The motion was: You had to have been a 2019 member in good standing or registered for the 2020 season and in good standing. The first online vote was administered and was passed with 97% approval.

Discussion was had around refunds for the 2020 YLM season. It was mentioned by the YLM that for ease of bookkeeping you could apply your associations 2020 fees to 2021. If you choose to not play in 2021 a refund link was shared with all attending members of the AGM.

Questions were asked by attendees and answered regarding refunds and with no more questions from the attendees we moved on.

Discussion was had around the dates of play for the 2021 season, The YLM board mentioned how critical it is to make sure your team and association contacts are updated so timely updates between the YLM and member associations flows smoothly and the YLM schedulers can get a schedule of play out to all associations as soon as possible. In 2021 all U12 teams make the year end tournament.

Dates of tournaments were discussed and times and dates will most likely be out by April 30, 2021. Jamborees were scheduled to be \$200.00 for 2020 and YLM will try their best to keep them around that dollar amount for 2021. A small increase may be warranted but cost has yet to be finalized.

Elk River and Stillwater graciously mentioned they would like to host a tournament for the 2021 season and YLM was grateful to have those associations step up.

Rules changes for 2021 were discussed starting with no 2-3 pass rule for 10U and no faceoff's at 8U. The main discussion around rule changes were the new NOCSAE ND200 requirement for goalie chest protectors. No play will be allowed unless the goalie is wearing and approved NOCSAE ND200 protector and the head coach certifies the player is in compliance. It was brought up that if a player were to be injured during play due to a goalie wearing a chest protector not in compliance then liability would first be on the head coach then the association.

NOCSAE ND200 is the first-ever performance standard for chest protection. Product compliance with ND200 reduces impact forces and thus the risk of commotio cordis (cardiac arrest due to a blow to the heart area).

The meeting then moved into election of the board positions that were up this year.

Secretary, VP Administration, Treasurer and State Youth Referee Director position holders were asked if they wanted to continue in their current positions, nominations from the member associations were also asked for the positions. With no nominations being presented the current board members were re-elected for another two years.

A change to the current by-laws was proposed to change the current requirement to post the date of an upcoming AGM from its current one hundred and twenty (120) days prior to the meeting to sixty (60) days. A vote was taken by member associations in attendance and was passed by 97%. Also a vote was had to do away with District Directors within the YLM, that motion passed as well.

Discussion was brought up on the interest level of starting a 6U age group. A poll was taken and there seems to be a lot of interest in starting a 6U age group. YLM will add 6U to the 2021 schedule and assign a coordinator to help get this age group up and running.

Coach's Level 1 Certification was discussed at length this year and input from the member associations in attendance and the YLM was very helpful. The YLM mentioned that other leagues in the Twin Cities we moving in this direction and the YLM would implement this in stages. The cost of Level 1 certification is paid for when you apply for a coaching membership through US Lacrosse.

A motion was made to require the online portion of Level 1 training in 2021 for at least one coach in the box and in 2022 require the on field component to the certification. A vote was had and passed 37 or a 2 against, the motion carried.

With all agenda items being completed, the meeting was opened up for discussion.

A motion was made to close the meeting, a second was heard . After brief discussion was had the meeting was closed, peace and harmony prevailed.