

Eureka Lacrosse Board meeting: Tuesday, February 4, 2020

Location: Mitchell House

Attending: Sheldon Ripson, Beth Daniels, Deb Mayer, Mitch Mitchell, Chad Brady, Tony Ehrman, Eric Nichols, coach Tim Ganey, Justin O'Rourke, Jacki Ripson

Call to Order: 6:20

Minutes from previous meeting: Approved

Chad Brady - Finance: Update on families who have money coming back from fundraising on Pizza etc.. Also delivered the numbers on families who have yet to pay. Finance report also highlighted players who are still needing to register. At last count this is believed to be placed at four players.

The board discussed options to use a scholarship possibility for players and families with need for aid or hardships. Discussion included possible form or ways to reach out to players that may be in need of assistance. One possibility included allowing members to donate to a scholarship fund during the registration process in the coming years.

The board also discussed options for players who join late-especially as it pertains to fundraisers they have not been around for. Past policy was recalled as new players are not required to take part if the fund raiser is over.

Sponsorships: Chad Brady handed returned forms off to Deb Mayer: She will be focusing on the book after Trivia Night. Brady also suggested changing the deadline for the Corporate sponsorships. Discussion centered on making the deadline for the ads earlier than the final payment to the club. Because the players can earn credits for selling additional ads from businesses the proposal the suggestion was to make the final payment deadline to a date just prior to the first game as opposed to the first day of practice. The change of date would allow the credits to be applied to the accounts prior to the last payment. This would get rid of the need for refunds to accounts.

Tony Ehrman - Youth Director: Youth try it days. Ehrman was pleased with the turnout at the first ever free try it clinic. 22 kids registered. Ehrman states that half were from Blevins. The club use of Peach Jar. — Ehrman will check on updates on the process. Ehrman says because of the try-it clinic the Eureka Lacrosse Club will have a 10U team as well as the 12U and 14U teams

-Winter Box Update —11 registered— 13 showed up.

—SLYLA (Ehrman attended the SLYLA Meeting): SLYLA is looking to start Friday night games. because of the number of teams that will play. 96 SLYLA teams are expected with teams as far away as Springfield, Illinois. Youth Game schedules will be released on March 20.

-Practice start March 24. The LaSalle Fields already requested— Eric Nichols states he is waiting to hear that the dates are approved.

Middle School Jamboree: Justin O'Rourke asked if there is interest in the Middle School Participation like 2019. Youth club hosted at LaSalle. Easter Weekend— 7 v 7— the Board discussed the event for the youth program

Sheldon Ripson - Board President:

- Calendar update: confirms March 15 as Current Date for team Picture. It will also be the day for Senior pictures for their Banners and season poster. Added the JV Tournament will be held again at— Missouri Rush—
- The club is still working to secure three dates on the Eureka High School Fields: Dates still waiting for 3/11, 4/1 and 4/5
- Ripson reported a good showing at the Eureka Lacrosse picture at the high school (30-35 people attended school club picture.)
- The Board also discusses the use of the Eureka High School Sound System. Ripson said he will talk with Mr Cleveland and see if there is any movement on the use of the system. (one suggestion is possibly donating to the existing sound system as a gesture to use the system)
- Lacrosse Goals: Greg Crowder—(former player parent has three goals that were stored at his property— two are OK... Crowder would take them to the new turf. Other goals: Dan Reisig is looking at them. He states that 8 goals needing netting and painting. (Deb Mayer suggests this could be a job for the players to help with.)
- US Lacrosse membership— Voting members of the board need one. Mitchell, Ripson, have one. Other board members will make sure they are current.

Coach Ganey:

- JV Tournament— Will get sent materials sent in.
- Coaches Gear Coming in.
- Coach Ganey will confirm on the games from all three teams. He will also make sure they the club is on the schedule for the season for refs. (Will check on pay scale on the refs and look at procedure for paying them)

Mitch Mitchell - Vice President:

- Uniforms.
 - 11 Players have not submitted their deposit checks.
 - Mitch Mitchell states that the club will number the White Varsity Shorts. The idea is to make sure that all shorts are returned to the club after the season. This will make it clear which players have not returned their shorts.
- Teams set by Monday, February 24— then uniforms should be handed out by that Wednesday
- Mitch Mitchell says he will try to set up a method to allow Upper Classmen to keep their varsity jersey numbers. Then the rest of the varsity number decided by players moving into their position. Mitchell will also work so that swing players can wear the same numbers for any teams they swing to.

Deb Mayer - Fundraising:

The Eureka Lacrosse Club earned \$2,500 on super bowl squares.

-Super Bowl Squares: Deb Mayer says that the winnings will be distributed by Kevin Baker who ran the fundraiser. She will follow up with Kevin Baker to see what was done well and what will need to be considered for next year. One item to be addressed is setting a deadline for players to participate in the fundraiser before it is opened up to anyone outside of the lacrosse club.

-Trivia Night— Deb Mayer says the event is progressing well. There are still two tables available for purchase. So far there are 13 ELC families that have not chosen either to attend or to buy out. She also stated that they will be using some new ideas to generate donations during the event. These items include a second year for the Varsity and JV Gardening Auction Item. There are tickets to sporting events. An opportunity to claim one of 15 Bottles of Wine and a gift card. Grade Level Baskets. and a cupcake fundraiser.

-She will need a cash box for the trivia event

-The committee will also need to use the Square Device for cashing out those who bid on items. Beth Daniels says she has some and will look at home many. The club also has one.

-The board also talked about fundraising rebates. Currently there are two fundraisers that all allow the players to meet the requirement then sell additional to help fund their own account requirements. These are the Pizza Fundraiser and the Ad Book Fundraiser. The Super Bowl Squares and the Trivia Night Event are Fundraisers for the Club.

The board discussed changes to allow those who sell more than the required about in the trivia night fundraiser to gain a benefit. This was brought to the board by a parent request.

***The action item was brought to the board.:

The Motion: Any person who purchases an entire table (8 People) for the trivia night event will get a discount the price of the table— The board will decide on that discount at a future date.

The motion was approved by a 2-1 (board members—Mitch, Chad and Deb Mayer Voting

Beth Daniels - Volunteer Coordinator:—

-Currently waiting for team announcements: Once teams are set she will begin contacting volunteer assignments for all three teams.

-Currently there is a volunteer for the Varsity Video Game Footage (Wes Sherer)

-Currently there is a volunteer for the Varsity Game Announcer (Sheldon Ripson)

-Beth says she will get in touch with the coaches on game days for any need for assistance. (Ganey- Varsity, Eder- JV and Ganey- Freshman)

-Score keeper training — February 25. Communication needs to be send to have adults attend this meeting to learn about the process. Ripson will send.

Scott Stubblefield: Rock U— Everything fine for Rock U. Board will set a date to push out communication about registration. Ripson will send. - registration is currently set up and active on the website.

Jacki Ripson: Spirit Wear:

-Player Team Bags are in— and will be delivered at Trivia Night unless picked up earlier.

-Spirit Wear— should be in soon.

-Also asked the board if one last flash store for the Youth would be good. Coach Ganey suggested opening the store with a few more youth items as well as providing an opportunity for the High School players to make one last order.

Board asks a question about uniforms for the youth teams. Coach Ganey will follow up with Tony Ehrman on uniforms. Justin O'Rourke says it might be best to get reversible penny style uniform— and shorts (purple) that would go with either side of the jersey.

Motion to Adjourn: Approved

Meeting adjourned at 8:20

(Notes submitted by Jacki Ripson in lieu of Debbie Ward who was absent.)

Post Meeting Addendum:

Mitch Mitchell made a motion via email to nominate Craig Stebor as the ELC Finance Director/Treasurer to take the place of Chad Brady who will be leaving the position. The motion was seconded by Tim Ganey and all voting members approved the motion unanimously. Craig Stebor will now be the new Finance Director for the 2020 season.