

Centennial Youth Lacrosse Association

Meeting Minutes

Attending: Mandy DelMedico, Todd Youngberg, Chris Clarys, Jessica Crotty, Nichole Rakow, Katie Sundseth, Tom Zdon, Andrea Eckman and Kim Girard

Absent: Meg Sawyer, Jere Ives, and Seth King

Call to Order: 6:38 pm

Secretary Report (Kim)

- Approval of February 2024 Minutes
 - Jessica 1st motion and Todd 2nd - **MOTION Approved**

Treasurer Report (Tom)

- Tom and Mandy had an informal discussion about moving a portion of CYLA funds to a money market account to take advantage of higher interest rates.
 - Funds can easily be transferred to/from the money market account if/when needed.
 - Tom made a motion, subject to verifying no concerns from the accountant, to move \$100,000 to a money market account.
 - Tom – 1st motion and Kim 2nd to move funds to money market – **Motion Approved.**
- Revenues are significantly ahead for the year, however, we have not purchased Kwik trip fundraising cards (expense).
- In reviewing this month's financials, Katie expressed concerns about paid coaches. Based on a group discussion, it appeared the boys/girls paid coaches' expenses were flopped. Todd would update financials regarding the coaches' expenses.

Registration (Katie)

- She said we have not seen many late registrations. The potential registrants from Spring Lake Park decided to register with Blaine.
 - This may have been since Blaine has a Spring/Summer season vs Centennial both are lumped into one season.
- Todd mentioned that he had 2 additional girls that will be registering at the 14U level

Uniforms (Kim)

- She will be submitting the order to North Star by the end of the week.

- She will verify with North Star payment method (check or credit card)
- Based on last month's meeting, she had planned to order:
 - Additional 10-14 additional shorts for both boys and girls AND two goalie jerseys per team for both boys and girls
 - Concerned that the additional shorts and goalie jerseys was going to be an added expense of more than \$1,000.
 - Group Discussion:
 - Since we offered two registration nights to try on uniforms, we would not order additional shorts.
 - We will order goalie jerseys for girls' teams only (two jerseys per team).
- Uniforms Order
 - Kim has been in contact with families on uniform size outliers to confirm sizes.
 - Led group discussion on if we have restrictions on any numbers as one registrant had selected 69.
 - Board consensus was to not allow that as a jersey number.
 - Mandy would contact the family to select an alternative jersey number.
 - Kim also mentioned that there was duplicate numbers for two 8U/10U girls.
 - Mandy said she would contact the two 8U families to select an alternative jersey number.
 - Kim will order extra jersey sets/shooter shirts for both girls and boys with varying sizes. We should have flexibility to use at any level since jersey numbers had not been selected at any age level.

Sizzle Update (Andrea)

- Reservations
 - She has been in contact with Nate to book Lexington Athletic Complex (LAC)
 - She has contacted Community Ed to book High School and potentially the Middle School
 - If we book the Middle School, there would be an additional cost to paint the field and for port-a-potties.
 - Since registration numbers are unknown, she would confirm the cancellation terms/fees for the Middle School.
- EMT
 - She is working to book those for the weekend.
 - Board mentioned in prior years we have allowed some parents, who are volunteer EMTs, to use this as a DIBS opportunity. In those instances, the volunteer EMT would be paired with a paid EMT.
- Housekeeping items
 - Asked for the Sizzle Coordinator contact information to be updated online
 - Also requested that the 2023 Meeting Minutes be posted online.
 - Kim said she would do that, however, majority of meeting minutes would not have Sizzle info that she may be looking for.

Coaches Update (Todd/Mandy)

- We have had interest at several age levels, however, still have a need (paid or parent coaches) on both boys and girls sides

- Suggestion was made to reach out to HS lacrosse graduates, since 2017, to see if they have an interest in given back to the lacrosse community
- Tom asked that for paid coaches we get their payment info upfront to avoid delays in payment at year end.

Merchandise Store Update

- Jessica provided a few alternatives of logos.
 - Board provided some preliminary feedback.
 - Jessica would send out updated options via GroupMe for vote.
- Extreme Apparel has indicated that if we do an online store through them, CYLA would receive a portion of the profits.

Indoor Practice (Chris)

- Times have been scheduled just need to slot teams in.
- Based on the weather, we may wish to cancel some of our indoor time to save money for future years.
- He would verify start date for outdoor availability through LAC and Community Ed since it may vary between city/schools.

Equipment (Chris)

- Coon Rapids has approximately 125 helmets and 8-10 nets (4 new) for sale.
 - Chris will be picking up the nets tomorrow
- LAC seems to think the nets onsite are CYLAs, however, we have confirmed they are not ours.
- Goalie equipment has been purchased, however, we may need a few small youth pads.
 - Kim will contact NorthStar to see if they have any available and the cost.
- Prior to distribution, coaches bags will be inventoried with all items and include mouth guards and first aid kits.

Tryouts (Group Discussion)

- Seth King will run the staff/evals for boys
- Hailee Berg will run the staff/evals for girls
- Evaluation forms have been provided to both Seth and Hailee
- Both have been advised to have evaluators recuse themselves if they have a family association to any registrants at that age group.
- Closed evaluation/try out sessions.
 - We will want to post a sign to encourage parents to drop off and pick up at the conclusion.
 - Any board members who have kids trying out for a given age group should try to limit being onsite. This will help to prevent any perceptions that Board Members are involved in the try out/eval process.
- In reviewing the tryout schedule, 12U Boys were the only age group that had a 2 hr try out block on a given day. All other age groups had three - 1 hr sessions each held on different days.
 - Update to try out schedule:
 - March 20th: 9:00 – 10:00 pm 14U Boys replaced with 12UBoys

- March 24th: 8:00 – 9:00 am 12UBoys
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 - Jessica would update the website and send out email notice to all 14U and 12UBoys families of the schedule change.
- Since we may have instances in which a registrant can't attend all try out sessions, Todd made a motion to have the score be an accumulation of the top 2 scores.
 - If a kid is at all three tryouts, the lowest score would be thrown out
 - Todd 1st motion and Tom 2nd – ***Motion Approved***
- Jessica will draft an email to send out to all CYLA families explaining the try out process.

Lil Scooper Update (Jessica)

- Sundays June 2, 2024 – July 14, 2024 (no session July 7th)
- Two time slots: 5 - 6 pm and 6 – 7 pm

Around the Room

- Nichole: Asked that Kwik Trip cards be ordered so we can distribute to families ASAP.
- Kim: Asked the status of Eric Rakow's Boys Director's Application
 - Mandy advised that Eric withdrew his name for consideration. He withdrew as he had expressed concerns of delays in his application being considered.
 - Board members in attendance were all in agreement that we have a need to fill a number of positions in the coming year. In an effort to improve the process, it needs to be more structured to include:
 - An auto response should be sent to the applicant outlining the timeline for review
 - Advise that the applicant they need to attend a CYLA board meeting prior to the board's decision
 - Sports Engine/Outlook should be updated so if/when any applications are submitted all board members would receive a copy of the application

Meeting Adjourned 9:41 pm