

Maple Grove Youth Lacrosse Association

Board Meeting Minutes

November 15, 2021

1. Call to Order – Mike Seppelt – 7:07 PM

2. Business & Updates

a. President's Report – Mike Seppelt

- i. Welcome & Agenda
- ii. Introductions of Board Members
- iii. Year in Review
 - a. Review of total member #s by team
 - b. Survey results were positive
 - i. Work on some coaching updates/shifts
 - ii. Good success for both boys and girls
 - c. COVID and Board Transitions – successfully navigated the transition and kept players and coaches healthy
- iv. 2022 Ambitions
 - a. Hold fees across the board
 - i. Reduce 6U fees to minimal levels in order to drive recruitment and future membership
 - b. More access to non-parent coaches
 - c. Host 3 tournaments at Fernbrook Fields
 - d. Increase membership volunteering through a DIBS program
 - e. Continue to provide financial assistance to those members in need
- v. Fernbrook Fields – review of contract terms with the City of MG
 - a.

b. Secretary Report – Bekah Smith

- i. General Updates
- ii. DIBS to be implemented for the spring/summer 2022 season.
- iii. Apparel/Logo Updates
 - a. Looking to update our logo to better align with the high school programs
- iv. 2022 Season highlights
 - a. 3 tournaments committed
 - b. Need a Tournament Planning Committee

c. Treasurers Report – John Dorn

- i. Financial Position FYE 2021
 - 1. Cash Inflow/Gross Revenues: \$145,007.43
 - 2. Cash Outflow/Expenses: \$105,779.09
 - 3. Summary:
 - a. Profit/(Loss): \$39,228.34
 - b. Cash in Bank: \$120,019.03
- ii. We have been able to rebound our revenues to pre-COVID levels

d. Girls Vice President Report – Nate Iverson

- i. 2021 in Review
 - a. Girls program was strong this year, although total # of players is down
 - i. Fall new for girls and had higher # of players than boys
 - b. Assess tryout process for 14U summer
 - c. Extended paid coaching for the summer teams
 - d. MSLAX Summer Tournament was successful and profitable
- ii. 2022 Plans
 - a. Expand 6U program with the boys
 - b. 8U will have competitive play through MSLAX
 - c. Looking to formalize tryouts

e. Vice President Report –Troy Trbojevich

- iii. Fields and Fees with the City of MG
 - a. Fees:
 - i. No change to 2022 existing fees besides a ‘clinic fee’ @ \$30/day
 - ii. Fees are expected to increase for 2023
 - iii. Community Ed owns the grass fields and may implement new fees
 - b. Storage – need more storage
 - c. Field Use/Schedule
 - i. Need agreed upon practice schedule to share with the city prior to registration
- iv. League Participation
 - a. Spring Box – TC Lacrosse league
 - b. Spring – GNLL league
 - c. Summer – YLM or GNLL
 - i. GNLL is considering a new summer league and many team (~40 team) have expressed interest. Will make a decision by end of November.

1. MGYLAX has indicated interest in participating with GNLL
- v. 2022 Recruitment
 - a. USA Lacrosse Clinic Grant for 1st time players was received
 - i. 100 sticks and 12 doz. Balls was provided to MGYLAX
 - ii. Details of clinic plan in progress
- vi. Age Group Programs
 - i. 6U - GNLL starting a 6U program with their league
 - ii. 12U/14U updates
 1. attendance policy
 2. consistent coaching
- vii. Goalie Recruitment
 - i. Potential registration discounts, free equipment, no DIBs required
- viii. Tryouts – primarily for 12U & 14U
 - a. Looking to hold prior to Spring Break or will wait to the first week of April and hold on the turf
 - b. Will work on having more board members involved, while still using independent evaluators
- ix. Tournament Entry
 - a. All age groups to participate in two state tournaments – GNLL Spring and YLM/GNLL Summer
 - b. External Tournaments – age level directors to select 1 extra summer tournament
 - i. Travel is allowed
- x. Coaching – new youth director Joe Weichert
 - a. 2022 Plan
 - i. USA Lax Requirements – level 1
 - ii. Parent Coaches for logistics and help cover spring
 - iii. Paid Coaches
 1. 2 coaches per team for 12U and 14U
 2. 1 coach per 10U and 8U
 3. Implement skills nights
- xi. Clinics, Scrimmages, Misc
 - a. Discussing NW suburbs based joint lax time at their domes
 - b. Wayzata tourney the weekend before Memorial Day (free)
 - c. Club Driven Clinics

f. **Member Recognition – John Dorn**

3. **New Business**

- a. Elections of select board members for 2 year term starting Dec 2021 (Results)

- i. Vice President of Boys (Troy Trbojevich)
- ii. Treasurer (Karie Roers)
- iii. U8 Director (Open)
- iv. U14 Boys Director (Chris Knutson)
- v. U12 Girls Director (Chris Range)
- vi. U14 Girls Director (Open)

4. Adjournment @ 8:29 pm Mike Seppelt

Board members in attendance:

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| ✓ Kelli Biederwolf | ✓ Nate Iverson | Bill Roisum |
| ✓ John Carrithers | Katy Kaminsky | ✓ John Rydberg |
| ✓ Kim Conrad | Tim Kuebelbeck | ✓ Amy Sauter |
| ✓ John Dorn | ✓ Chris Knutsen | ✓ Mike Seppelt |
| Jack Dugan | ✓ Michael Lindahl | ✓ Bekah Smith |
| Ryan Dunn | ✓ Brian Marcus | ✓ Matt Thompson |
| Kelly Edlund | ✓ Matt Miller | ✓ Troy Trbojevich |
| Tom Farniok | ✓ Chris Range | ✓ Matt Saba |
| Kristen Forrest | ✓ Karie Roers | |