

**Hamilton Jr. Chargers Lacrosse  
Monthly Meeting June 25, 2024 Library**

Meeting starting at 6:03pm

1. Old Business - changes to the minutes - minutes are approved  
Present: Ashlie Schaffner, Beth Jelinek, Mark Nagy, Tanya Tatera, Kyle Mrotek, Jim, Justin Kaplan, Ashley Baier, Josh Deitrich, Andy Mueller
2. New Business
  - a. Survey Results
    - i. Biggest draw from the rec department. Need to be more organized at the end of the year with the team tent for LAXstravagnza. Prior communication to be ready at the start of day even with afternoon time slots. Spirit Wear updated for next year, survey results were not fond of it. Checking for different places to use. Do we need to use uniformed shorts or require certain colors? Meeting open to all families. Germantown: reach out-meet with the athletic director to start to pull in to Sussex. Cost concerns-researching other clubs, we are one of the lowest in the area (exception Waukesha). Indoor rental fees were a substantial piece of the cost. Could DIBS volunteer fee be done differently so it's not an upfront cost? Fundraising opportunities? Camps, high school kids?
  - b. Try It Events
    - i. Past info: need high school players who could help facilitate drills
    - ii. Coordinating: Justin & Ashley
    - iii. General - July 17th 6-7pm Armory Park August ??
    - iv. Try-it night same night registration opens offer discounted \$5 off or some giveaway; Must come to try-it night and register, enter to win raffle for free registration
    - v. Park District class/Could do a try it class after in October
  - c. Websites
    - i. Updates? Rosters? Schedule? Sports Engine connection? Take Hamilton off. Could add Germantown, Falls, Sussex School district right underneath.
  - d. What other board positions do we need for the 2025 season?
    - i. Sponsorship position
    - ii. Uniforms? Check with Shelley
3. MAYLA: Mark
  - a. Not enough help to run tournaments, would need to travel more
  - b. U8 Out of MAYLA
  - c. Thoughts-Girls must stay in MAYLA
  - d. Boys ...
  - e. Both can add a tournament too
  - f. MAYLA provides refs, schedules
  - g. USA LAX insurance?
  - h. Final Decision to follow at next meeting

- i. Rules to follow - need clarification
- 4. Treasurer: Andy
  - a. Incoming balance ~\$20,000: indoor payment fees will come from this for the 2025 season (\$12,000); could we make shirts for every registration kid, jr chargers foam balls for parades, bags; could we increase fees a bit and then do giveaways.
  - b. Could we partner with the high school girls/boys program and split funds.
- 5. Program Update
  - a. Char
    - i. Delivered the plaque to Eric, he was appreciative. He did mention to me that he would not be returning for high school season 2025, but I did provide him with our 8th grade girls contact info. I also asked that he keep my daughter on the email list, so I should receive any communication from him and/or the new coach.
    - ii. Justin coordinated the Girls Camp in June and did a FANTASTIC job. Something that we should try to make an annual thing if possible.
    - iii. Many of the girls are playing off-season, which is great.
    - iv. Has anyone made contact with Hockey Haven in regard to December skill-work practices? We would need rates, times available and enrollment maximums. **Josh will reach out**
    - v. On that note, the Civic Center gym might also be an option for small group work. There is a fee to use that space, but I get a discounted employee rate if that's something we'd like to look into.
    - vi. How are we handling tournaments for 2025? From a girls perspective, I am not confident we have the current numbers to support tournament-only teams (as opposed to MAYLA teams). If we are going to add tournaments to the schedule, those fees need to be collected at club registration and made clear to families.
    - vii. FYI on Village fields; while there would be a charge for field use, PSU no longer has exclusive right to refuse to the soccer fields at Armory Park. If we are serious about running tournaments and would need field space, its worth having a discussion about utilizing those fields as there is some flexibility on those now.
    - viii. Coaching for 2025:
      - 1. 7/8 : Ben (Head Coach) & Jim L (Assistant/Helper)
      - 2. 5/6 : Jim G? (We haven't talked about it), would need assistant(s)
      - 3. 3/4 : Justin (Also have not talked about it), would need assistance(s)
        - a. **Could have parent volunteers who would step up, in that case, Justin would go back to the Little Scoopers Program.**
    - ix. We may want to consider a program end-of-season party of some sort. Waukesha does mid-season team bonding events and an end-of-season potluck (girls division, at least) which were very nice additions to the season! Organizing something like that could be Dibs opportunity.

