TSLA/THSLL Board Meeting MINUTES

Meeting date | time 09/05/2023 | 7:00 PM | Meeting location Call

Meeting called by Mike Ormsby

Type of meeting Monthly Call

Facilitator Mike Ormsby

Note taker Kellie Schindel

Call to order: 7:02pm

Adjourn: 9:33pm

Voting Attendees Non-voting attendees

Michael Cohen
Will Doby
Chris Shaffer
Mike Ormsby
Kellie Schindel
GL Vandyne
Troy Walkerproxy to Kellie

after 8pm **Not Attending** Andris Dikmanis

Monica Joy

Tony Martin-proxy

to Will

AGENDA TOPICS

Agenda topic Minutes 08/15/2023 | Presenter Kellie Schindel

Discussion

Troy moved to approve the minutes.

Mike seconded.

Motion carried.

Agenda topic Minutes 07/11/2023 | Presenter Nancy Powers

Discussion

Email vote

Kellie moved to approve the minutes.

Mike seconded.

Motion carried.

Agenda topic Flower Mound Waivers | Presenter Tony Martin

Discussion

Email vote

Tony moved to approve the 6 Flower Mound player waivers.

Troy seconded.

Motion carried.

Agenda topic 2023-2024 Budget | Presenter Nancy Powers for Jay Widdig

Discussion

Email vote

<u>Item 1</u> Troy moved to approve the cost-of-living adjustment for the contractors.

Mike seconded.

Motion carried.

<u>Item 2</u> Troy moved to approve Option 2 of Item 2 increasing dues to \$840 for Varsity Teams and \$640 for JV Teams. An increase of \$40 per team

Mike seconded.

Motion carried.

Agenda topic Team Compliance Checklist | Presenter Will Doby

Discussion

The Board reviewed the draft of the Team Compliance Checklist. The Checklist can be completed online by Head Coaches and Program Presidents or Athletic Directors. US Lacrosse needs to be changed to USA Lacrosse.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Make modifications	Chris Shaffer	Next meeting

Agenda topic Hillcrest Application | Presenter Tony Martin

Discussion

Hillcrest applied to rejoin the League. The Board reviewed the application.

Troy moved to approve Hillcrest as a member team.

Mike seconded.

Motion carried.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Contact Hillcrest to let them know the application was	Tony Martin	ASAP
approved.		

Agenda topic Rulebook Changes | Presenter Nancy Powers

Discussion

Will moved to approve the rewrite of Section 5.0 Eligibility.

Mike seconded.

Motion carried.

The board agreed to remove 6.5 because it conflicts with the NCAA Rulebook.

Additional edits

- Clarify ejected player language Rulebook 6.5
- Added consequences for not playing a District game.
- Clarified Class B Playoff Allocation Rulebook 7.2

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Clean up Rule Governance Process Rulebook 4.8	Will Doby	ASAP
Draft language about what constitutes a complete game in case of weather.	GL Vandyne	ASAP

Agenda topic Round Rock/Westwood Merger | Presenter Troy Walker

Discussion

The Round Rock Head Coach sent Troy an email outlining a proposed merger between Round Rock and Westwood. More information is needed. No action taken.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Contact Westwood regarding the merger	Michael Cohen	ASAP

Agenda topic Lovejoy Player Waiver | Presenter Nancy Powers

Discussion

A letter was sent from a parent who would like Lovejoy to cut their son so that they can play for another program. The Board reviewed the letter. The Board agreed that jurisdiction for this situation belongs to the Lovejoy program. No action taken.

Agenda topic Bylaws | Presenter Nancy Powers

Discussion

Will moved that Kellie Schindel remain as League Secretary for another term of 4 years.

Mike seconded.

Motion carried.

Will moved to make Kellie Schindel the second officer of the League.

GL seconded.

Motion carried.

Kellie moved to accept the changes to the Bylaws as written.

Mike seconded.

Motion carried.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Contact Westwood regarding the merger	Michael Cohen	ASAP

Agenda topic Rule Change | Presenter Nancy Powers

Discussion

A coach inquired about submitting a rule change to be voted on at the state meeting. The deadline to submit rule change proposals per the Timeline was July 1. The Board agreed that no rule change proposals will be accepted past the deadline.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Contact Westwood regarding the merger	Michael Cohen	ASAP

Agenda topic District Meetings | Presenter Nancy Powers

Discussion

Coordinators should be scheduling their District Meetings in advance of the State Meeting to discuss any District Issues and review voting items for State Meeting on September 23.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Send Budget, Timelines, Appendix A and Officiating Fee	Nancy Powers	ASAP
Schedule to Coordinators.		

Biennial Realignment

Troy moved to promote Westside to Class C-PASSED

Rationale:

Relegated in 2022 -- haven't lost a district game in D (two years). Made State finals in 2022. 6A UIL. Class D is not meant to be a permanent home -- especially for a 6A school. The board acknowledges the campus is economically disadvantaged.

Mike seconded.

Yes-9 No-0 Not voted-0

Troy moved to promote Lovejoy to Class A-PASSED

Rationale:

They are arguably the best team in Class B headed into 2024. 5 of 8 post season awards are underclassmen. 2023 Final 4, 2022 Runner Up, 2021 Elite 8. 12th in the State in Point Dif. Why promote LJ and leave TMI in B? Proven strength in B -- more time. Returning team is more mature. Much larger school.

Mike seconded.

Yes-7 No-2 Not voted-0

Troy moved to keep Bridge in Class C-PASSED

Rationale:

According to the numbers, Bridge is not a B team. They play a weak schedule, so their numbers look better than they are.

Mike seconded.

YES-9 No-0 Not voted-0

Monica moved to keep Reagan in Class C-PASSED

Rationale:

SA Reagan- has been a struggling team but the coach wants to stay in Class C. This is the team that was awarded the Patterson Award by LOA for best sportsmanship. Coach

Longo works hard with these student athletes and likes the challenge.

Yes-8 No-0 Not voted-1

Troy moved to keep Bellaire in Class C-PASSED

Rationale:

Numbers are inflated due to the number of D teams they play. They were included in this discussion due to similarities to Bridge.

Mike seconded.

Yes-9 No-0 Not voted-0

Troy moved to keep Gateway in Class C-PASSED

Rationale:

Numbers support a promotion. Have always played well in District and lose the first round in Supers. Finished 3rd in Central last year. Have never won a District title.

Yes-9 No-0 Not voted-0

Mike moved to keep TMI in Class B- PASSED

Rationale

TMI has been very strong the past two seasons (won C in 2022). However, they were ranked 48 and 72 the 2 seasons prior. They have 500 students at the school (260 boys) -- it is private. TMI has only played in B one season. Opposers say they can compete in A and the last two seasons prove that. History says they have had 2 years of success and bad/mediocre years prior.

Will seconded. Yes-8 No-0 Not voted-1

Troy moved to drop Dripping Springs to Class B for the 2023 Season, with the stipulation that if the roster size moves back up to 50 players 2 weeks prior to the roster submission deadline, The team would remain in Class A for the 2023 Season. PASSED Mike seconded.

Yes-9 No-0 Not voted-0

Andris moved to relegate Katy to Class B with the understanding that their participation percentage will likely make them forfeit state playoff eligibility for the 2024 Season. The program's status will be re-evaluated prior to the 2025 season. **PASSED**Troy seconded.

Yes-9 No-0 Not voted-0

Vista Ridge and St. Andrews self-selected to promote from Class C to Class B.

Submitted by Kellie Schindel, Secretary

Approved on: 09/19/2023