

TSLA/THSLL Board Meeting MINUTES

Meeting date | time 07/13-14/2019 | 11:00 AM | Meeting location San Antonio

Meeting called by	Joe Donoghue	Voting Attendees	Non-voting attendees
Type of meeting	Annual Meeting	Joe Donoghue	Nancy Powers
Facilitator	Joe Donoghue	John Edens	Chris Shaffer
Note taker	Kellie Schindel	Trey Harden	
7/13 CTO 11:10 AM		Mike Ormsby	
		Jim Raney	
		Jess Rest	
		Kellie Schindel	

AGENDA TOPICS

Agenda topic North DI Coordinator | Presenter Joe Donoghue

Discussion

Eleven of fourteen coaches from the North DI responded that they were in agreement with John Edens taking the position. Three did not respond.

Kellie Schindel moved to appoint John Edens the North DI Coordinator.

Trey Harden seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Agenda topic North DII Coordinator | Presenter John Edens

Discussion

Board discussed the nomination of Gary Dennington for the North DII Coordinator's position. Gary spoke at the North DII Coaches' meeting and no coaches expressed any concern about him serving in the position. Two other candidates removed their names for consideration.

Conclusion

Board will vote on this on the next call on 07/30/2019

Action items

Person responsible Deadline

Call Gary to discuss the role	Joe Donoghue	07/30/2019
Send Gary's contact info to the Board	John Edens	ASAP

Agenda topic Status of Board Members for 2019-2020 | Presenter Joe Donoghue

Discussion

All current Board Members affirmed their commitment to serve on the Board for the next year.

Agenda topic *Commissioner 2019-2020* | **Presenter** *Joe Donoghue*

Discussion

Joe Donoghue, Interim Commissioner, indicated that he is willing to serve for the next year and will also continue to hold the South DI Coordinator’s position.

Conclusion

John Edens moves to install Joe Donoghue as the Commissioner for the next year with the option to continue according to the Bylaws.

Trey Harden seconds.

Motion carries unanimously.

Agenda topic *Budget* | **Presenter** *Nancy Powers*

Discussion

2019-2020 Budget was sent to Board for review. Board agreed not to raise member team dues.

Shot clock rule will be enforced in the 2020 season. Board discussed possibility of helping teams to defray cost of clocks.

Board agreed to increase the budget for playoff referees

Board agreed to add streaming line item to the budget for State Championship weekend.

Board agreed to forgo income from the State Championship and Super Regional gate fees and eliminated that line item in the budget.

Conclusion

Joe Donoghue moves to remove State Championship and Super Regional proceeds from the Budget.

Jess Rest seconds.

Motion carries unanimously.

John Edens moves to accept Draft Budget with amendments.

Jess Rest seconds.

Motion carries unanimously.

Action items

Person responsible **Deadline**

Research cost of shot clock

Nancy Powers

ASAP

BREAK FOR LUNCH 12:00 PM TO 12:50 PM

Agenda topic *US Lacrosse Presentation* | Presenter *Zach Matthews*

Discussion

US Lacrosse wants to work with Texas to expand and grow the number of teams.

US Lacrosse has increased its grant funding for First Stick program, equipment for 20 players, goals and balls.

US Lacrosse also has a program called "Try Lax". This can put on for 85-150 kids. Registration is \$35 and kids receive t-shirt, ball and soft stick.

US Lacrosse is invested in bringing bigger events to Texas to give the game more exposure. Events that are coming up include- IMG Academy, U 19 tryouts, Team US and Team Canada training, 2020 WCLA Championships (Round Rock 5/6-5/9)

Lacrosse has been approved for the 2028 Olympics.

Zach is working on a Texas Lacrosse Convention

Zach may be able to help coordinate a speaker or training for the THSLL State Meeting in the Fall.

As of 08/01/2019, all US Lacrosse Members will be required to take "Safe Sport Training".

Zach reiterated that coaches must be members of US Lacrosse for team insurance through US Lacrosse to be valid.

Austin Sunshine Camps, which serve 1080 kids, has been issued 2 sets of equipment. US Lacrosse is also working with Horizon Lax and Boys & Girls Club of Austin.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Get verbiage from Zach about insurance requirements.	Nancy Powers	ASAP

Agenda topic *Timeline* | Presenter *Nancy Powers*

Discussion

Board reviewed Timeline for 2019-2020.

Joe Donoghue moves to approve Timeline

Jim Raney seconds.

Motion carries unanimously.

Agenda topic *State Meeting* | Presenter *Nancy Powers*

Discussion

Board agreed to the following dates:

District Meetings to be held between 9/8-9/15, 2019

State Meeting to be held on 9/28/2019 in either Waco or College Station

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Research location for State Meeting	Joe Donoghue	ASAP

Agenda topic *LOA Contract* | Presenter *Nancy Powers & Mike Ormsby*

Discussion

Board discussed expenses for State Championship and Super Regional Weekends. Board agreed that referees should not be traveling out of District to do single games on these weekends as the cost is too high.

Board agreed

- that the referee playoff eligible list needs to be driven by THSLL and not the LOA.
- to remove the \$500/year stipend for training paid to each regional LOA
- to keep game fees the same
- that max per night expense for hotel rooms would be \$125, double occupancy wherever possible
- traveling officials must officiate a minimum of 2 games
- only 2 Districts will provide officials for each Super Regional location

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Edit contract and send to Board	Mike Ormsby	ASAP
Send expense spreadsheets to Board	Nancy Powers	ASAP

Agenda topic *Appendix A* | Presenter *Nancy Powers*

Discussion

Board agreed to:

- take out section on goals and nets
- take out verbiage on auto ejection for next game

Agenda topic *Sponsorships* | Presenter *Chris Shaffer*

Discussion

Board discussed improving sponsorship program. Current sponsorship levels are too high.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Craft new sponsorship program.	Nancy Powers & Chris Shaffer	ASAP

ADJOURN FOR THE DAY 6:01 PM

07/14/2019 RECONVENE 9:10 AM

Agenda topic *League Restructure* | Presenter *Joe Donoghue*

Discussion

Board discussed John Edens proposal for restructure.

Board discussed and agreed to:

- Guiding Principles
- 2 year time frame to implement restructure
- Stranded players will be assigned by the closest distance from school they are attending to school with an open program.
- 70% participation rate
- Definition of player types
- Rising 10th, 11th and 12th graders would be grandfathered to programs they currently play for.

Board discussed preliminary placement of teams in divisions.

Jess Rest presented demographic data from TEA for each team in the state.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Create Power Point to be used at State Meeting and send to Board	John Edens & Kellie Schindel	07/21/2019
Consult legal about non profit status of programs	Joe Donoghue	ASAP

ADJOURN 2:10 pm

Submitted by Kellie Schindel, THSLL Secretary

Approved on 08/27/2019