

PHILADELPHIA AREA GIRLS LACROSSE ASSOCIATION

MEETING OF THE MEMBERS

January 26, 2014

The meeting of the members of the Philadelphia Area Girls Lacrosse Association (the "Members") (the "Company") was held on Sunday, January 26, 2014 at the Legends Sport Bar in the Marriott - Conshohocken, PA. The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm, eastern time, and Sherry Zielke acted as the Recording Secretary.

1. President's Remarks: Ms. Mary Fran Riffel welcomed and addressed the Members in attendance. Ms. Riffel reviewed PAGLA's role and missions/goals. Ms. Riffel welcomed Sherry Zielke as the Secretary and advised of two PAGLA positions opening up in February. The fee for a club to join PAGLA remains at 50.00. Ms. Riffel mentioned PAGLA's goal to offer playoffs in the 2015 season to all clubs. All members were instructed to register online and also register their teams.
2. Coaches Clinic Update:
The coaches clinic is happening February 1. Extend invitations to all of your club coaches. There are 90 coaches already signed up to attend this. All coaches can sign up online at the PAGLA website (www.pagla.org).

Sessions will be:

K-2 & 3rd/4th (9 am to 11 am)

5th/6th and 7th/8th (11 am to 1 pm)

AT Radnor HS (2 gyms per time slot)

This Clinic is free to PAGLA coaches (200.00 if non member – for insurance). Clinicians include Deb Andress, Laurie Markle, Kim Wenger, Alex Kahoe (GK), Mary Fran Riffel, and Steve Overbay.

Mary Fran Riffel will compile coaching packets for everyone attending.

Sponsors include: (PLA/US Lax, Premier, Liberty Shootout, Chapter Challenge and Laxzilla).

3. Age Leveling 2015:
Ms. Riffel addressed the group with PAGLA's goal to "level" the age groups for the 2015 season. It is suggested that beginning in 2015, all clubs adhere to age leveling of their players in this format: 3rd/4th, 5th/6th, and 7th/8th.

There were discussions about what happens if a club has tryouts to break two teams into an A and B and what happens if the 7th/8th grade group happens to be all 8th graders. Essentially, that team would play in the 7th/8th grade bracket. PAGLA's goal is to head toward automated scheduling to help streamline the scheduling process. Paid Schedulers with assigned/voluntary "Presidents/Directors" for each division is being recommended.

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4. Tournaments/Playdays: Ms. Riffel encouraged clubs to advertise any of their local lacrosse events on our PAGLA site. She encouraged clubs to keep their information up to date on our site and mentioned the newsletters she produces. There is no charge for clubs to advertise their events on our site. A nominal administrative charge of 50.00 for NON PAGLA CLUBS to advertise will be assessed.

5. Referee Fees:
\$25.00 per game JR. Umpire (must be US Lax Rated)
\$40.00 per game Adult Umpire working with a partner (adult or jr.)
\$60.00 per game Adult Umpire working alone

6. Guideline for Game Day Procedures: Both home and Visiting teams are to split the cost equally of all officials working a game. Officials are to be paid before the game at the coach/captains meet to discuss the game. All coaches must abide by the PAGLA Code of Conduct.

Discussions ensued about game day procedures and PAGLA rules. Details were discussed about making the divisions more even and about what rules are present becoming an issue with certain clubs. Discussions happened about PAGLA clubs NOT having or scheduling games with NON PAGLA clubs. More discussions happened about Paid Schedulers and assigning President/Directors to each Division. RADNOR volunteered to cover Central West. Ms. Riffel mentioned that once a President/Director and Scheduler for each division has been determined, a meeting will happen with those parties.

7. Rules Update: Official Stamped Balls must be used for all games.

Discussions ensued about insurance policies. Ms. Riffel shared that recently while attending a conference, she sat in on an insurance session. Discussions ensued about what and which officers are covered by your club's insurance and who is not. Discussions ensued about "pitfalls" to insurance programs and how to avoid them. Ms. Riffel will email the session presentation guide to share this valuable information.

8. Clubs are reminded to "police" their own player registrations to ensure that the boundary rule is being upheld. Waivers are mandatory for all players playing out of district.

9. Closing Remarks: Ms. Riffel addressed the group and suggested the continuation of improving our communications. She reiterated that 2 board positions are opening in February and if anyone is interested to please correspond with her. The positions open at VP and Asst Secretary. Ms. Riffel thanked everyone to attending this meeting.

Meeting Adjourned 8:20 pm.