

WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL BOYS LACROSSE ASSOCIATION

Prior to the September 12 board meeting, the following items were discussed and decided via email.

1780 Approval of June Minutes

The April-June minutes were distributed via email after the June meeting.

MOTION: It was moved by B.F. and seconded by D.H. to approve the June minutes. In favor 9. Opposed 0. Motion carried.

1781 Hermiston Lacrosse joining WHSBLA

Addition to item 1776. OHSLA voted to invite Hermiston join WHSBLA due to logistics.

MOTION: It was moved by D.H. and seconded by B.F. to approve admitting Hermiston Lacrosse as part of WHSBLA. In favor 9. Opposed 0. Motion carried.

Minutes of September 12, 2017 Board Meeting

Members present: V. Smith, B. Fortier, I. O’Hearn, H. Valentine,
C. Larsen

Via conference call: D. Wright, R. Hawley, R. Amell, D. Hummel and G. Hill

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 PM.

1782 Fall Ball proposal and language of announcement

The Board discussed S. Hudson’s Fall Ball proposal. It was decided to ask interest in a survey, created by IO and HV. If the feedback from the survey indicates that there is enough interest, this proposal will be discussed at the October 7 General Meeting before a decision was made.

1783 Granting full membership to provisional teams.

MOTION: It was moved by B.F. and seconded by H.V. to grant full membership to the following provisional programs: Chiawana, Ferris, West Valley, Sehome, Rogers, Montesano. In favor 9. Opposed 0. Motion carried.

1784 Keeping Orting at provisional status.

MOTION: It was moved by B.F. and seconded by R.A. to keep Orting at provisional status. In favor 9. Opposed 0. Motion carried.

1785 Central Kitsap team

MOTION: It was moved by B.F. and seconded by H.V. to accept Central Kitsap Lacrosse as a provisional member in the WHSBLA. In favor 9. Opposed 0. Motion carried.

1786 North Creek HS status

MOTION: It was moved by B.F. and seconded by G.H. to approve the following: All North Creek HS students are eligible to play with Bothell for the 2018 season. A North Creek program must be established for the 2019 season. Should a North Creek program not be established for the 2019 season and Bothell choose to continue to house these players, then Bothell would be ineligible for the playoffs in 2019. In favor 9. Opposed 0. Motion carried.

1787 Hermiston Lacrosse update

Addition to item 1776 and 1781

V.S. reached out to Hermiston and let them know that we would accept them as part of the WHSBLA. Hermiston has confirmed that they will be applying to joining the WHSBLA starting the 2018 season.

1788 Conglomerate splits

All conglomerate programs are to be reminded that their two year window will expire in 2019. By definition any program taking players from more than their single "home" school are considered conglomerate. This means a new program must be formed to house the players from outside their home school or the program can choose to release those players. If this does not occur and should the program choose to continue to house players from outside of their home school they will become ineligible for the playoffs in 2019.

1789 SAAS and AM reclassification

The Board reviewed discussion that occurred at the previous meeting in regards to SAAS and Archbishop Murphy and considered the following:

All 4A and 3A Private schools classified as "Private" in the WHSBLA for 2017 are actually the size of 2A schools per WIAA enrollment figures.

Per WIAA enrollment figures, Bellarmine Prep is the largest Private School in the WHSBLA with 758 students, whereas SAAS is at 323 and Archbishop Murphy is at 403. This is a range (323-758) of 435 which is very similar to the general range (461-971) for all 2A Schools, a gap of 510. The schools classified as Private in the WHSBLA have therefore the same size range as the various public classifications.

Per WIAA numbers, the schools in the 1A/2A classification of the WHSBLA range from 214 - 971. Schools classified "Private" per the WHSBLA are in range of 323 - 758. The "Private" classification per WHSBLA is essentially a 1A/2A classification for private schools similar to the 1A/2A classification for Public Schools.

MOTION: It was moved by B.F. and seconded by I.O. to reclassify Seattle Academy and Archbishop Murphy for the purpose of the private school playoffs, in the WHSBLA. In favor 8. Opposed 1 (DW). Motion carried.

1790 Overlake reclassification

As the lone remaining private school in the 1A/2A classification, Overlake was also discussed. Their enrollment is 228, at the bottom of the range.

MOTION: It was moved by R.H. and seconded by D.H. to reclassify Overlake for the purpose of the private school playoffs, in the WHSBLA. In favor 3 (DH, VS, RH). Opposed 5 (IO, BF, GH, RA, DW). Recused 1 (HV). Motion failed.

The Board will reevaluate Overlake again after the 2018 season.

1791 Team updates

- Friday Harbor will not field a Varsity team in 2018. They will remain a league member and schedule JV games.
- Burlington-Edison has announced that they are changing their home school and the name of the current program to Sedro-Woolley.

1792 2017 Profits from the WHSBLA championship

There is approximately Feedback on how to spend the profits made from the WHSBLA championships will be requested in a survey to be sent to each team prior to the October 7th meeting.

1793 The Washington Chapter of US Lacrosse has requested an interest free loan for their Awards Dinner. VS will talk further with the WA Chapter to gather more information.

1794 Satellite locations for special meetings

Addition to item 1752

WebEx will be used at satellite locations in each region on the east side of the state for special meetings effective 2018. The region rep for those locations must be in attendance at the alternate locations.

1795 USL Trainer Request

It was discussed and approved that the USL Trainer request email, from Lyn Porterfield, would be sent out to the general membership.

1796 Next Board Meeting

The next board meeting of the WHSBLA board will be October 17 at Issaquah High School.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:44pm.

Catie Larsen

Executive Secretary