



# CLEAR LAKE LACROSSE BAY AREA YOUTH LACROSSE



## BAYLAX/CLLA BOARD MEETING August 26th, 2017

Via teleconference

Board Member	Present	Telephonic	Absent	Board Member	Present	Telephonic	Absent
Kevin McConnell		X		Chris Penrod		x	
Russ Compa		X		Chris Cookson		x	
Liz Dooley		x		Trish Metrovitch		x	
Kevin Schaber		x		Angela Tadda		x	
Chris May		x		Jack Henderson			x
Mac Jones			x	Mike O		x	

1. Call to order 10:04
2. KM introduced Mike Ornsby DII & DIII commissioner for TSHLL Reason for meeting is moving CLHS team from DI to DII
  - a. Read section of minutes from last meeting 3.a.i. requirements for DI vs DII vs DIII, vote to add DII at Springs passed.
3. Mike O spoke on several factors: Focus should be to grow sport. Parallel with Cy-Fair program except we have 1 organization to cover multiple teams. CCISD 5 schools and potential to grow. Recommends going DII because Lake can't meet DI requirements but can be competitive at DII. Success on the field will help with recruiting as well. DII all teams make playoffs, can go to super regional, All Star game. DII can pull kids from other CCISD schools. Zoned by distance from residence to HS and indicated flexibility to allow kids already playing to make one-time decision which team they play for. KM clarified Cy Fair also has multiple HS all in same ISD and different governing bodies for each team, and we don't want to have that situation. THSLL eligibility rules are clear about zoning for rosters and we need to be clear on when kids can no longer choose the schools. Mike received a call from Pearland coach re: incoming freshman that played for them for 2 years that lives in Deer Park, questioning what team that kid would play on as freshman. Mike suggested all incoming freshmen need to go where they are zoned.
4. Russ: As a university coach, do you look at kid's program (DI or DII) or kid as individual when recruiting? Answer: Coaches look at game tape in a number of games and player ability, IQ, team effort. Coaches come to TX for T99, not individual games. DI vs DII doesn't matter in recruiting.
5. Liz: Question on zoning, where would boys in HS now playing, that don't go to either Lake or Springs, but played in prior years (not freshmen) play? Answer: They would be given a 1 time choice of which team the play for for the rest of their HS career.
6. Chris M – Struggling and need to balance teams, may need more than one year to recruit enough kids and can that be reevaluated? Mike: go with common sense and allow flexibility with THSLL.
7. Penrod – no questions
8. Cookson – THSLL rule 8.2 new DII team formed, the losing program player are allowed one-time decision where to play going forward? Mike agreed that is correct. Always a waiver rule if kids need to be moved around. Kevin M and Kevin S would work with Mike. Kevin - all boys in program or just Falls kids to choose? Chris C said rule includes all kids.
9. Trish – no questions



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10. Angela – no questions
11. Kevin S – Thanked Mike for talking to us, previous dealings with THSLL were not as good. Recruiting will drive decisions and flexibility as needed. Hoping to have team at Falls in next couple of years. Concern is starting Falls team next year, do current Falls kids that play for Springs this year get to choose when new team starts? Mike said as long as he is at THSLL, he will be flexible on rostering for new teams. Kevin thinks we should step back to DII in order to grow. Important as a board to manage expectations of parents and players regarding resources.
12. Kevin M – clarify we added a DII team, what is organization requirement for board, do we need a separate board? Mike O: ex of Woodlands set up, main board and smaller structure for each team. Coordinator for Springs & Lake reporting to board would be sufficient.
13. We need to present a plan for 2018 spring season to THSLL
14. Kevin M. – move Lake to DII? Liz made motion to move, Chris M seconded.
  - a. Chris Cookson – discussion very important we have something about geographic flexibility to allow existing players to choose. Kevin M – open choice across the board is not part of this decision.
  - b. Kevin S – logistics and numbers, another decision point once we open registration and see how many kids actually register at each school.
15. Kevin M reminded we have motion on the floor, need to table this discussion until next meeting. Asked for vote, unanimous approval, vote passes.
16. Kevin S – need status on Nike sponsorship. Tell recruits to buy their own equipment? First practice is Oct 2. Use white helmets for new purchases?
17. Kevin reminded he sent us a copy of survey and to send him comments
18. Motion to adjourn at 11:12 by Liz seconded by Trish
19. Next meeting Sept 11.