

MBGLL Board Meeting Minutes

March 2, 2015 8p

Position	Name	Attendance
President	OPEN	
Executive Director	Christine Habermann	√
Treasurer	Steve McGlynn	√
Clerk/Secretary	OPEN	
North Division Director	Julie Stoelzel	√
MetroNorth Division Director	Gant Redmon	√
MetroWest North Division Director	John Moorthead	√
MetroWest South Division Director	Allison Mattson	√
South Division Director	Ian Davies	√
Rules/Umpires Director	OPEN	
Sportsmanship & Compliance Director	Bob Smith	X
Scheduling Director	Kim Perry	√
Select League Director	OPEN	
Training Director	OPEN	
Member At Large	Bob Hayman	√
Member At Large	Sean Linnane	√
Member At Large	Joe Chisholm	√
Member At Large	Alan Robbins	√

X = absent, √ = attending

Past Business

New Business

1. Registration
 - a. MBGLL Select League Registration Open
 - i. Please talk this league up at your upcoming meetings
 - ii. 5 teams signed up so far
 - b. Still Room for the Charlestown Playdate
 - i. Registration closed
 - ii. Draft of schedule done

1. Hope to send out schedule this week
2. Christine to email Charlestown to see how fields are
3. Fields are tentative as of 3.11.15

2. Scheduling

- a. Update - Kim
- b. Pre-scheduling meetings seemed to go better in person than via email (less changes required at the scheduling meetings)
 - i. Either we conduct a conference call and really ride each town for the needed answers or
 - ii. We hold in-person pre-scheduling meetings
 - iii. Should we make this a mandatory meeting next year?
- c. Had an issue with towns dropping teams at the scheduling meeting
 - i. Rich had already put 10 hours of work into each division's schedule when this happened
 - ii. He had a lot of additional work to fix this.
 - iii. Suggest we charge towns if they drop a team after the pre-scheduling meeting
 - iv. Prescheduling mtgs finished by 1st week of Feb. Scheduling meetings last week of Feb and 1st week of March.
- d. Other feedback & suggestions?
- e. Reminder – Schedule locked March 22

3. Coaches' Convention Morning

- i. March 1 at Governor's Academy
 1. Around 100 coaches attended
 2. Informative and inspirational talks
 3. Big thank you to Julie and Ian for helping
 - a. What is your feedback?
 4. Waiting to hear what amount EMASS is going to write a check for (sponsorship)
 5. Waiting to see quality of videos before deciding whether to charge for them or give them out for free.
 - a. Since it is the first year, I'm thinking that we offer attendees the videos for free and anyone who did not attend needs to pay \$10 per video.
 - i. Danger with this approach is that it sets a precedence
 - ii. Free videos this 1sr year, waiting to receive them from Governor's Academy

4. Jamboree Update

- a. Still searching for a MetroWest South site
 - i. Rice is available but they want to charge us \$5400 this year and \$6000 next year. Last year we paid \$4500. At Chelmsford we are paying \$3500. I have not gone back to them yet.
 - ii. Tabor Academy came in at the same price as Rice for 3 large and 3 small fields. I asked them to bring their rate down so that we could

hold our jamboree there. They are reaching out to the CFO to see what he says. I emailed them again last week to see if there is an update but haven't heard anything.

iii. Update – Tabor came back with \$4000

b. Give-away options

- i. I won 10 dozen socks from The Sock Guy at the National Convention. I'm going to order them with MBGLL's logo to see how they look.
- ii. I'll distribute them to you board members

5. Harvard Youth Day Update

a. April 11 is confirmed

- i. What Board Member towns want to participate?
- ii. If we don't have enough teams, I'll need to open it up to volunteers.
 1. KP U13, U15; MV U13, U15; Sharon U15; Falmouth U13, U15; Lexington U13, U15; Groton U13, U15

6. Sponsorship

- a. I haven't reached out to additional sponsors yet. I'll have time to do that in the next couple of weeks.
- b. Update: Comlax is not interested in sponsoring MBGLL
- c. Update: Board members voted by email to accept Dick's offer

7. Training Update

- a. Foxboro this weekend for Level 1, Rules Q. and A.
- b. Next weekend is Level 2 in Chelmsford

8. Compliance

- a. Reaching out to compliance volunteers later this week
- b. Asking volunteers to collect coaches' information
- c. Opening up online coaches' registration to help with this

9. Sportsmanship and Compliance Update - Bob

- a. Please send your scheduling meeting attendance to Bob and Christine if Christine don't have it.

10. MBGLL Select

- a. What do you think about creating regional teams?
 - i. Possibly hire a coach for each division to get this program moving?
 - ii. Would allow players to participate in towns that don't have enough players to field their own team.
 - iii. We might have to wait until next year to implement this
 - iv. Should we get a club to sponsor divisional Select team
 - v. How do we get the respect similar to the club
 - vi. It is all about the coaching
 - vii. Need a committee to develop an outline

11. Part of our mission is to grow the sport of lacrosse next month's topic

- a. I've seen an opportunity to reach out to smaller middle schools to see if they want to get a team started
- b. Would this be a good way to get more involved in the sport
- c. Suggestions as to how to reach out to them

12. Player Clinics – next month's topic

- a. Some towns are having difficulty recruiting enough players, especially newer programs
 - b. Suggestion to hold a couple of fall player meet and greet clinics throughout our league
 - c. Insurance would cost approx. \$125 per clinic
 - d. Perhaps we have a town host us and either we lead them or we hire someone to lead them with the town coaches volunteering, or we try to partner with a club or college to host them. We might get the local high school girls to help as well.
 - e. These would be divisional and open to anyone in the division who would want to try out the game of lacrosse.
 - f. We could give the players the contact information for their local program.
 - g. If we know in advance, we can reach out to the towns that have girls attending and ask them to join the fun. That way the players can meet someone from their local programs.
13. Where do you see our organization in 10 years? [Next month's topic](#)
14. Facebook [Next month's topic](#)
- a. Still trying to get you all on Facebook. Please like MBGLL's page, add posts, and share posts.
15. Upcoming Board Meetings
- a. Apr. 6, May 4, June 1 (dinner)
 - i. Accepting other suggestions for restaurant locations
 - ii. Seasons52.com (Burlington)
 - b. 8p start time except for dinner on June 1, which starts at 6:30p
16. Other topics