

CONNYLACROSSE

April 12, 2001 BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING

The April 12, 2001 Meeting of the CONNY Board of Directors was held at the Pitt Center of Sacred Heart University in Fairfield, Connecticut. A quorum being present, President Russell called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M.

A. ATTENDANCE

Program/Position	Name	Program	Name
President	Bob Russell	Lewisboro	Maureen McCarthy
Secretary	Jack Couch	Madison	Chris Bushnell
Branford	John Hughes		Scott Willson
Cheshire	Gary Rose	New Canaan	Jon Sprole
Clinton	Mike Simmons	Newtown	Mark Felch
Darien	Lang Clarke	Norwalk	Gray Wilson
Eli	Fred Groen		Shawn Vincze
Fairfield-Wakeman	Wally Howard	Shrub Oak	John Hemsley
Guilford	Ken Mulvey	Weston	Paul Scheufele
Larchmont	Mike Monaghan	Wilton	Rob Campbell

B. MINUTES

- 1. President's Report**—(President Russell's report needs to be inserted as the Secretary arrived late.)
- 2. Secretary's Report**—Secretary Jack Couch confirmed that the Connecticut Chapter has both U-13 and U-15 boys teams entered in the USLacrosse Youth Festival. As in recent years, CONNY will administer these teams for the Chapter and CONNY New Your members may nominate players to try out for these teams.
- 3. Treasurer's Report**—Treasurer Rob Campbell reported that no significant transactions had taken place.
- 4. Executive Committee**—The Executive Committee had no activity to report since the last meeting.
- 5. League Play Committee**—Pat Thibadeau has distributed schedule and score reporting procedures—along with appropriate templates—at the next meeting.
- 6. Competition Committee**

CONN Y Tournaments—Lang Clarke reported that the Yale facility is not available for the CONNY Tournaments. Other sites have been investigated, but the most promising is New Canaan, possibly with Norwalk absorbing any overflow. Depending always on the final venue's availability, the Tournaments will almost certainly be held June 2-3. No other scheduling decisions can be made until these CONNY Tournament issues are resolved.

CONN Y All Star Teams—Through an intermediary, Kyle Donovan asked that anyone interested in coaching the CONNY All Star teams contact him as soon as possible. The CONNY All-Star teams will play in the 2001 CONNY East-West All-Star Festival in Madison on June 17th. Squad sizes have been expanded to accommodate CONNY's growth. Jerseys have been ordered.

CONN Y Select Teams The 2001 CONNY/Connecticut Chapter Select Teams will play at the USLacrosse Youth Festival at UMass June 29 through July 1, as well as possible additional events. Mr. Donovan's report confirmed that the head coach for the U-15 Team will be Guy Whitten and the U-13 head coach will be Jim MacAleavy.
- 7. Coach, Player, Parent Conduct**— Jack Couch distributed a sample CONNY Code-of-Conduct designed to help control boorish and unsportsmanlike behavior during the season and at the CONNY Tournaments. This Code is compatible with codes being developed at the national level. This CONNY Code-of-Conduct, or one with the same essential elements, should be required for all players, parents, and coaches and optional for other fans.
- 8. CONNY Scholarships**—Lang Clarke announced that there were only two applicants for the CONNY Camp Scholarships, both worthy. The Board voted to award scholarships to both candidates.
- 9. Other Initiatives**—The Board agreed to investigate other activities through which CONNY can promote the growth of the sport in our area.

CONN Y College Scholarships—High schools could nominate CONNY alumni for such an award.

New Program Support—CONN Y could use its expertise and resources to jump-start new programs, with special emphasis on non-traditional lacrosse constituencies. Models could be the inner city programs in Baltimore, Wilmington, NC, and Boston.

C. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the CONNY Board of Directors will be held early in May, with the day depending on the availability of the facility.

D. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:56 P.M.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Jack Couch