

**Minutes of the Girls Lacrosse Association of Anne Arundel County
October 19, 2010**

GLAAAC Meeting at AA County Recreation and Park Headquarters.

Board Members Present: Doug Portner (President), Kelly Guarino (Vice President), Joe Weiss (Secretary), Nikki Blanche (Board), Don Harrison (Board & Senior League), and Scott King (Board)

Proxy Submitted: St. Mary's

Board Members Absent: Gwynn Philhower (Treasurer) and Donna Liberto (Anne Arundel County Recreation and Parks)

Organizations Present (including above): Arden (Jeff Levy), Bowie (Andrew Karnes), Broadneck (Elizabeth Eshleman), Bucs (Danny Markley), Churchville (Karen Lode), Crofton (Nikki), CYLA (Don Shifflett), Churchill (Barry Blick), Davidsonville (Paul Marcellino), Game Guardians (Sherry Kirk), General's Highway/Rolling Knolls (Joe), GORC (Mary Beth Davis and Michelle Norr), QuickStix (Cathy Samaras), Seniors League (Don), Severn (Rick Layson), Slade (Ted Deppe), South County (Bart Williams), and St. Mary's (Doug)

Votes Present: 13

Meeting called to order by President, Doug Portner, at 7:05 PM

Minutes for January 28, 2010 approved.

Treasurer Report: Doug gave the treasurers report with only discussion on forfeit expenses from 2010 season which were much higher than normal. Later discussion was on raising forfeit fee which was accepted on unanimous voice vote to increase to \$5 per team.

Donation to APD: Paul Marcellino from Davidsonville discussed Adaptive Program for Disability (APD) and after discussion a unanimous voice vote allocated \$500 as a donation.

Voting: Two At-Large Board seats were up for election. Current holders of seats are Don Harrison and Nikki Blanche. Both were nominated to continue and no other candidates were nominated. By unanimous voice vote both were approved for another two years.

Fall Ball: Scott King brought up discussion on options for fall ball for the girls.

Coach Training: There was quite a bit of discussion on the need for coach training. Initiated by Cathy Samaras, the discussion made clear the need and Danny Markley noted that USLAX has level 1 and level2 training. It was recommended that a good coach training program could substitute for the coach certification that the county imposes. Elizabeth Eshleman suggested training be segmented by team level, e.g. PeeWee, Middie and Junior. Doug proposed a group work on specific proposals.

Motion was made to form a subcommittee to evaluate separate session for girls lacrosse training under auspices of county certification process. By unanimous voice vote it was approved. Volunteers for committee are as follows:

- Lead: Danny Markley

- Don Harrison
- Scott King
- Elizabeth Eshleman

It was suggested that the committee report back at the next meeting.

Rules: There was discussion on various aspects of the rules. First was number of Coaches on sideline and how scorekeeping is dealt with. This was deferred to winter meeting.

Another item was forms printed from county web site state "Player plays 50%". This causes confusion with parents and should be reworded or removed. This will be discussed with Donna Liberto by Doug and will be revisited at Winter meeting.

Elizabeth Eshleman discussed how the 5 second Middie rule is distorting play.

Cathy Samaras suggested and rules subcommittee to work these issues and make recommendations. Motion made and accepted. Unanimous voice vote approved motion. Volunteers are as follows:

- Lead: Elizabeth Eshleman
- Kelly Guarino
- Don Shifflett

Other New Business: Feedback forms were passed out.

Cathy Samaras informed group that QuickStix Indoor Lacrosse starting up.

Next Meeting: January 27, 2011 (moved to Feb 9)

GLAAAC Meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM