

## Post Season Meeting

June 2, 2014

No voting took place during this meeting, suggestions on many subject matters were made.

- Treasurer Report Handed Out: Pay Your Dues
  - Dues can be written out to GLAAAC c/o Joe Weiss 1705 Point No Point Dr. Annapolis, MD 21401
  - Report was discussed, update emails so that you receive information
- In the Pre Season Meeting: Correction -Bowie has 1 turf field, 1 grass field not 2 turf fields
- Old Business – Elections for the Pre-Season Meeting. Nominations needed for all 3 Board At Large Members (2 year commitment) this year and next year all Board members are up.
  - Joe Hayden said Parks and Rec will require all Board members have to be commissioners – it is not enforced with GLAAAC currently. GLAAAC board members do not vote based on bylaws.
- Middie/Junior Tournament-
  - This year it was an all day event, it went well, awards, MVP & championship T-shirts were handed out. Announcements/Pre-Game rosters were announced. Plaques with winner names were shown.
  - Too much emphasis getting to the tournament with teams playing down on B and C. Teams may get moved up a bracket for the tournament based on your record. For example higher level B teams may get moved up to A for the tournament. Commissioners need to talk to their coaches about what level they should be playing in.
  - Tournament may move to a single elimination tournament with all the teams.
  - More publicity for the event such as the Capital. Lax World sponsored this year but we need back up sponsors to generate venue to continue what we are doing.
  - Middie Playoffs were left out of the white rules and they need to be in there to avoid confusion. Commissioners need to communicate meeting notes to their coaches because the dates were set and posted online but very few coaches knew about the middie championship
  - Minutes will be emailed out to commissioners as well as placed on the website.
  - White rules were posted late for this season because the officiating contract was awarded late.
- Officiating:
  - Bonnie Lang wants to have seminars provided to anyone who has an interest in AACO lax (parents, coaches, commissioners) to better understand rules etc. prior to next season.
  - Jeff Bunker applauded the professionalism of the officials this year.
  - We would like the county to pay for the officials not the teams next year.
  - There should be some kind of feedback – report card/evaluations for officials. Not evaluating the calls but for being on-time and professional. This will better the officials

and help them learn through feedback. This year had very few negatives in respect to officials.

- Joe Hayden will add official's comments to the bottom of the score report so coaches will fill that in with their game score.
- Scheduling:
  - Coaches should not be able to reschedule games, when you make changes it causes a ripple effect.
  - Cut off date to change games for school events, girl scouts etc. Drop dead date when rosters are due? unless there is an emergency situation.
  - Grass needs to be an option to play on, not just turf so that we can schedule all the games effectively. Suggestion that if you reschedule games for middle/juniors they would have to play on grass. Also maybe 20% of games will be on grass.
  - Question was asked if pee wee's could continue to play longer for makeups due to rainy season. Suggestion to play during the weekdays prior to Memorial Day for makeups but need to schedule several games at a central location. Another option is to have double headers. Suggestion to give 12 but guarantee 10 games. Next year only 6 weeks from start of season to weekend prior to Memorial Day to fit season in.
  - Next season: March 28<sup>th</sup> tentative 1<sup>st</sup> game weekend— Easter is April 5<sup>th</sup> – 6 weeks of game play to finish the weekend prior to Memorial Day
  - Suggestion is to have a Homecoming weekend where all your games are home so you can have concessions, banners and fundraisers. Commissioners can pick a day but let Joe Hayden let know way in advance, put it on the notes on your registration form.
  - Calendar with all the dates will be available during the pre-season meeting.
  - Bonnie Lang would like to move the pee wee games to 11am or later on Saturdays so more officials that play high school can ref. Weeknights need to be at 6:30pm to accommodate the hs refs.
  - Suggestion to break down the large amount of B and C teams into divisions of Northern AACO and Southern AACO to accommodate travel. Joe Hayden explained field space is limited in some areas so that makes it difficult.
- GLAAAC Dues – need to be paid – if you are associate member and do not pay you can be removed. If you are a full member you can lose your vote and lose the ability to field teams. Some teams have not paid for 3 years in a row
- Senior League – High School Age Girls: This year we were only able to field 2 teams/28 girls. John no longer would like to run the Senior League and wants to train someone to take over. Current balance is \$3600 in the account so money is not an issue since it costs very little to run.