

**Wisconsin Lacrosse Federation Meeting Minutes**  
**Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors**  
**February 20, 2022, 7:30pm**

**Call to Order** at 7:32pm

**Roll Call**

x	Randy Kohn	President	x	Jack Fleming	Classic 8 Commissioner
	VACANT	Vice President	excused	Nate Lutterman	Big Badger Commissioner
x	Becky Unterriker	Secretary	excused	Rich Thomson	Bay Valley President
x	Carla Miller	Treasurer	x	Brendon O'Shea	Badgerland Representative
x	Dave Wollin	Officials Director	x	Robin Buckley	MAYLA Representative
x	Indy Stluka	High School Girls Director	x	Erin Ennis	Past President
x	Eric Marsh	High School Boys Director	x	Matt Burke	USA Lacrosse
x	Dave Diehl	Coaches Director			
x	Tracy Kaczik	Communications & Marketing Director			
x	Paul Espinosa	Events Director			
x	Emily Anderson	Youth Director			

1. **Approval of Agenda (Kohn).** Motion to approve the agenda as drafted (Unterriker). 2<sup>nd</sup> (Stluka). Approved 13-0.
2. **Events Director (Kohn).** Paul Espinosa resigned via email on 1/23/22. Brendon O'Shea has volunteered to fill the Events Director position and will look for someone to replace him as the Badgerland representative to the board. Will have 1 vote as Events Director only. Motion to appoint Brendon O'Shea as Events Director for the remainder of the term (Unterriker). 2<sup>nd</sup> (Stluka). Approved 13-0.
3. **Minutes from 1/23/22 (Unterriker).** Motion to accept the 1/23/22 minutes as drafted (Unterriker). 2<sup>nd</sup> (Wollin). Approved 13-0.
4. **Financial Report (Miller).** There have been 2 disbursements since the end of January: (1) \$297.24 to NFHS for rules books (2) \$2610.56 to Park Printing for program layout services for state championship day. Balance as of 1/31/22 was \$37, 103.26.
5. **Director's and Conference Reports**
  - a. **Officials (Wollin)**
    - i. WILOA – All training is scheduled, posted on the website and has been shared with leagues/conferences.
    - ii. WLLOA – Has been in contact to discuss strategies for recruitment of umpires. On field training at Verona Area HS on 3/5/22 from 10am-3pm is open to all.
    - iii. WIAA has a dedicated person to work on recruiting new officials for all sports.
  - b. **High School Girls (Stluka)** – No report
  - c. **High School Boys (Marsh)** – (1) Submitted allotment form for USA Lacrosse awards. (2) Will send out an announcement on 2/21/22 to coaches re: entry of schedules and player stats for the 2022 season to the Wisconsin Lacrosse Hub. (3) Gathering information on a potential violation of rules.
  - d. **Coaches (Diehl)** – PCA workshops have been scheduled for 2/23/22 and 2/26/22. Unterriker will send out a reminder on 2/21/22.
  - e. **Communications & Marketing (Kaczik)** – No report

- f. **Events (O'Shea)** – (1) Hart Park will line the field. (2) Wauwatosa East Booster Club owns equipment in the concessions stand at Hart Park. Will contact them to request permission to use. (3) Will work on getting volunteers for the event with a potential kickback to clubs for providing volunteers. (4) 2021 title sponsor has declined to renew. Interested sponsors should contact Brendon. (5) Reviewed apparel bids with Executive Committee and will follow up as appropriate.
- g. **Youth (Anderson)** – Positive feedback from some youth programs on the decision to reduce team fees from \$40/team to \$25/team.
- h. **Bay Valley (Kohn for Thomson)** – Notre Dame Academy has requested approval to field a high school girls team this season; will absorb the former Green Bay United team. Stevens Point was unable to secure a coach; BVLA granted approval for Pacelli and Stevens Point to co-op for this season.
- i. **Classic 8 (Fleming)** – Will send reminder to schools to pay their team fees.
- j. **Big Badger (Lutterman)** – No report
- k. **Badgerland (O'Shea)** – Have a new assignor for youth & high school girls. Will be hosting umpires' training on 3/5/22 at Verona Area HS; open to all.
- l. **MAYLA (Buckley)** – (1) Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> was the deadline for declaration to play this season. (2) Season dates are April 23 – June 12. (3) Schedule will be released on March 15<sup>th</sup>. (4) Will host on field training for officials and umpires on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Open to all.

## 6. Old Business

- a. **WIAA Sanctioning (Fleming)** – WIAA Lacrosse Committee had their first meeting on 01/17/22 with the WIAA Executive Staff. Meetings are every 2 weeks. (1) Timeline: Board of control vote in April 2022. Implementation: 22-23 or 23-24 school year is still under discussion. (2) Co-op teams will be allowed. No limit on the number of schools in a co-op. No cut policy. Applications must be submitted to the WIAA by 6/1. Renewed every 2 years. (3) There will not be a grandfather clause for players from schools that do not sponsor a team. Only full-time students at a school that sponsors a team or a school that is a member of a co-op can play. (4) Students who attend a school that sponsors a lacrosse team must play for their school. They may not play for another team even if they started playing for another team before their school started a team. (5) Next meeting will focus on: student-athlete participation in non-school competitions during the season, competition vs non-school teams during the season and coach contact in and out of season. Will invite Executive Director Hauser to the March board meeting.
- b. **Board Resolution (Anderson)** – Need more time. WLF will re-sign the USA Lacrosse chapter bylaws soon.

## 7. New Business

- a. **Rules & Regulations (Unterriker)** – There is some confusing language in the WLF High School Rules & Regulations re: All-Star games. Board discussed 5 options with preference to rename the event to reflect that it is an all-conference showcase. State Championship Day is intended to be a celebration of lacrosse. League/conference representatives and commissioners will work with coaches to come up with options for player selection for the U14 all-conference showcases.
- b. **USA Lacrosse Awards (Stluka/Marsh)** – Marsh has submitted the allotment form for HS Boys. Stluka is working on it. Deadline is March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- c. **Grant Request (Diehl)** – Diehl received a request from Oak Creek HS girls for funding. USA Lacrosse cycle for equipment grants is done for this season; will open for next season in the fall.

- d. **State Championship Day Bids (Kohn)** – Executive Committee reviewed the bids and made a selection. Changes to the state championship day (such as potential elimination of the youth all-conference showcases) may require a new RFP and review.
- e. **Board Resignations (Kohn)** – Two board members resigned via email in January. Josh Blumenthal from VP on 1/8/22 and Paul Espinosa from Events Director on 1/23/22. Motion to accept the board resignations (Kohn). 2<sup>nd</sup> (Unterriker). Approved 13-0.

**Adjourn** at 9:29pm. Motion to adjourn (Unterriker). Second (Diehl). Approved 13-0.

**Next Meeting:** March 27, 2022, 7:30pm via ZOOM