

**Wisconsin Lacrosse Federation Meeting Minutes**  
**Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors**  
**March 19, 2023, 7:30pm**

**Call to Order** at 7:30pm

**Roll Call**

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

1. **Approval of Agenda (Kohn).** Motion to approve the agenda as drafted (Unterriker). 2<sup>nd</sup> (B. O'Shea) Approved 10-0.
2. **Minutes from 02/19/2023 (Unterriker).** Motion to accept the 02/19/23 minutes as drafted (Unterriker). 2<sup>nd</sup> (Wollin). Approved 10-0.
3. **Financial Report (Miller).** (1) Disbursement of \$112.80 for administrative supplies. (2) Income of \$4100.00 for the Erin Ennis Youth Fund, \$2775.00 for youth team dues and \$9910.00 for high school team dues. (3) Cash balance on 3/19/23 is \$53,369.35. (4) Badgerland high school girls teams are delinquent. (5) Executive Committee will work on setting up a separate account for the Erin Ennis Youth Fund and an investment fund for excess funds.
4. **Director's and Conference Reports**
  - a. **Officials (Wollin)** – (1) New and returning youth umpires: ~10 in Madison, ~25 in Milwaukee and ~15 in the Bay Valley. All have completed the online training and field training is scheduled. Wollin will send out starter kits (cards & whistles) using funds previously approved by the Board. (2) High school umpires field training is scheduled. WLLOA states that classroom training was not needed. (3) Youth and high school official's classroom training is complete and field training is scheduled. (4) WILOA is preparing a request for funding for officials' observers.
  - b. **High School Girls (Stluka)** – (1) Janesville will re-introduce a Varsity team this year. There are several Janesville students who played for Oregon last season. Classic 8 conference rules state that the 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> graders from Janesville may continue playing for Oregon this season and 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> graders from Janesville must play for Janesville. (2) In contact with WLLOA to ensure adequate coverage for 2023 playoffs.
  - c. **High School Boys (Marsh)** – no report
  - d. **Coaches (Diehl)** – (1) PCA Workshops are complete. 3/5/23 virtual workshop had 6 registrants and 0 participants. 3/12/23 virtual workshop had 15 registrants and 6 participants. 3/11/23 live workshop in conjunction with conference coaches meeting for MAYLA had 26 registrant sand ~21 participants. (2) There is 1 workshop remaining if a conference wants to use it. Otherwise, it will roll forward to next year.
  - e. **Communications & Marketing (Kaczik)** – nothing to report
  - f. **Events (B. O'Shea)** – (1) Sent sponsor sheet and ad specs to the board. (2) Working to solidify paid help for state championship day and working with Sun Prairie to secure

volunteers. (3) Will split concessions with Sun Prairie. (4) WLF wants to recognize those who have passed and have contributed to lacrosse – coach, player, etc. Please send names to Kohn or B. O’Shea.

- g. **Youth (Anderson)** – (1) Would like a list of WIAA approved co-ops. (2) Will review draft youth plan at the July annual meeting.
  - h. **Bay Valley (Thomson)** – (1) Youth games will start in mid-April. (2) Committee meetings are on pause during the season.
  - i. **Classic 8 (Fleming)** – nothing to report
  - j. **Big Badger (Lutterman)** – (1) Followed up with unpaid teams. (2) Big Badger will split next season into Big 8 and Badger conferences.
  - k. **Badgerland (Holmes)** – no report
  - l. **MAYLA (Buckley)** – MAYLA coach’s meeting and PCA workshop was 4/11/23.
- 5. Old Business**
- a. **Transition to WIAA (Fleming)** – WIAA Lacrosse Director will send out information to officials & umpires in April regarding requirements under WIAA. She will also send out info on the co-op process for those who are not familiar. **Co-op applications for 2023-2024 school year are due JUNE 1.** Late applications will be accepted however those teams will not be eligible for the WIAA tournament series.
  - b. **Deadlines for USA Lacrosse and WLF Awards (Marsh/Stluka)** – The board discussed the timing of the playoffs and deadlines for submissions to USA Lacrosse as well as publication deadlines for state championship programs. Motion to set the following deadlines for submissions: last date for conferences to submit all-conference lists to the Boys and Girls Directors (May 31), last date for the selection committee to determine all-state awards and submit all-American lists to USA Lacrosse (June 4). (Unterriker). 2<sup>nd</sup> (Stluka). Approved 26-0.
  - c. **WLF and High School Lacrosse in 2024 (Kohn)** – WLF will become youth-centric beginning with the 2023-2024 school year. The WIAA will take over administration and regulation of high school lacrosse. If there are teams that do not make the transition to WIAA, the WLF will discuss.
- 6. New Business**
- a. **2023 State Tournament Structure (Diehl/Marsh/Stluka)** – Following the unanimous adoption of the state tournament structure presented at the 2/19/23 meeting, additional feedback was solicited. Board discussed 3 options at length. Option 1: no change – reseed for the final 4. Option 2: reseed for the final 8 with pre-selected sites to host the quarterfinals. Option 3: reseed for the final 8 with no pre-selected sites to host the quarterfinals (higher seed will host). Motion to adopt option 1 (Miller). 2<sup>nd</sup> (Wollin). Motion was defeated 1-24-1. Motion to adopt option 2 (Unterriker). 2<sup>nd</sup> (Diehl). Board discussed how sites will be selected, gate fees, officials/umpires fees, concessions, personnel, logistics, etc. Motion to amend the motion to specify a 50/50 revenue share of the gate fees (Kohn). 2<sup>nd</sup> (Stluka). Motion was approved 25-0-1. Option 3 was withdrawn. Board discussed further amending the previous tournament structure proposal with respect to sites for semifinal games. Motion to select 2 neutral sites for 26-0.
  - b. **New team assignment to playoff sections (Stulka)** – Motion to add Janesville Girls to Section 2 for the 2023 playoffs (Stluka). 2<sup>nd</sup> (Diehl). Approved 17-0.

**Adjourn** at 9:54pm. Motion to adjourn (Diehl). Second (Wollin). Approved 10-0.

**Next Executive Committee Meeting:** July 9, 2023 at 7:00pm via ZOOM

**Annual Meeting:** July 9, 2023 at 7:30pm via ZOOM

**WLF Committee Assignments for 2022-2023**

- Constituent – Unterriker, Diehl
- Grievance – Kaczik, Fleming
- HOF – Anderson, Wollin
- Nominating – Miller, Unterriker
- Special Events – B. O’Shea, Marsh
- USAL Awards – Stluka, Anderson
- YOTA – Wollin, S. O’Shea

**Reference Table - Conference Representative Votes for 2022-2023**

	Youth Boys		Youth Girls		HS Boys		HS Girls	
	Teams	Votes	Teams	Votes	Teams	Votes	Teams	Votes
Badgerland	50	3	17	3	0	0	13	2
Bay Valley	21	3	6	1	21	3	12	2
Big Badger	0	0	0	0	20	3	0	0
Classic 8	0	0	0	0	38	3	31	3
MAYLA	44	3	34	3	0	0	0	0