

GREAT WESTERN LACROSSE LEAGUE

NORTH DIVISIONAL MEETING AGENDA August 26, 2025 {DRAFT}@

6:30PM PDT | 7:30PM MDT

1. Roll Call - Amanda Stearns

Meeting called to order at 6:31PT Gonzaga Prep, Lake City, Logos School, Mead, Mt. Spokane, Sandpoint, Spokane Valley present. 7 of 11 North teams present.

2. Conferences

- a. Do we need 2
- b. How do we determine (what is interval of redetermination, mix of WA/ID teams? Skill based, lottery)

North Divisional Directors, Micah and Chad present options to those members present

- 1st Idea: Conferences split ID teams and WA teams. Each conference would play each team 2x and then play the opposite conference teams 1x for 14 total games in ID and 15 in WA. Concerns raised about what it there is stronger team from one conference that ends up a 4 or 5 seed and misses Regionals but are legitimately better than other conference teams
- 2nd Idea: Lottery system to create the 2 conferences . Concerns raised about how the conferences might not be equal
- 3rd Idea: Create 3 conferences 2 “Power conferences” and 1 “Developmental” conference. Play each team in conference 2x and opposite conference 1x. Concerns there are that teams in the “Developmental” conference get “jipped”.
- Member present voiced that Team Coaches needed to be present to weigh in on the options

3. Regionals

- a. Name change (League Championship, quarterfinals)
 - Nothing discussed regarding a name change for Regionals
- b. Format
 - Have a date set for when last conference games would need to be completed my
 - Spread out Regionals into a week with Round 1 (Tuesday), Round 2 (Thursday) and Championship Round (Saturday) it would be completed by the same weekend as in the past
 - Considerations of 1st/2nd place team “byes”
 - Play in for teams seeded 4th and 5th.
 - Potential bracket was shared
- c. How does Regular Season Matter
 - Do top 1 and 2 teams from each conference get a bye so there is an incentive for conference games.
 - Do we add in points so games are weighted
 - **4. Game Scheduling**

- minimum/maximum number
 - No final answer was decided. The outcome of number of games will depend on conference ideas that are decided.
- JV Idea
 - 6s games with 2 defense, 2 middies, 2 attack and a goal
 - Idea would be to have set nights for these games but to get the younger kids touches and time on the field
 - Concerns about added costs and ref fees but several teams provided options that wouldn't add a ton of extra costs to programs.

5. 2026 Schedule Timeline

Nothing decided yet pending out come of conference alignment

9. Next Meeting - M. Osterdock

- Members present voiced the need for coaches to hear about conference ideas and have them be present for discussion
- North Divisional Directors will solidify 3 potential proposals to have ready for next meeting
- Commissioner will get another meeting scheduled with coaches present.

NOTES SECTION

IHSSL Roll Call List by Program		
Program Name	Region	Attendance
Ammon	East	
Chesterton Academy of Notre Dame	North	
Coeur d'Alene	North	
Gonzaga Preparatory School	North	
Idaho Falls	East	
Immaculate Conception Academy	North	
Jackson Hole	East	
Lake City	North	
Lewis & Clark	North	
Logos School	North	
Magic Valley	East	
Mead	North	
Mt. Spokane	North	
Pocatello	East	
Rexburg	East	
Sandpoint	North	
Spokane Valley	North	
Sun Valley	East	
Teton Valley	East	