

MHSLA Board Meeting Minutes - DRAFT
October 19, 2021
Prepared by, Chris Fraser

In attendance / on Call:

Mike Power (Cody), Chris Fraser (Glacier), John Noble (LCL - Helena), Mike Flaherty (Great Falls), Will Winterholler (Rimrock), Camden Walters (Bearcats), Jeff Craig (YVL), Steve Amish (Missoula Wild), Bill Stoddart (Bozeman), Dave Madeira (Jackson Hole), Charlotte Nelson (Spartan Lax), Dan Carrol (Butte)

Meeting called to order at 7:31pm - John Noble (President)

- 1) **Approval of draft minutes from 9/21/21 meeting.** Mike F. motion to approve; seconded by Charlotte N. Vote to accept 9/21/21 meeting minutes approved unanimously.

- 2) **Treasurer's Report.** At this time the board does not have a Treasurer. John N. made call for someone to step forward and be the Treasurer, because at current moment the Association cannot accept money or pay out money. Balance in checking account is still \$20,131.63 as of June 1, 2021. John spoke to potential CPA contact, recommended by board, to contract with, however John has left messages and not heard back from the prospect. John N. also noted that we as an Association will have to start accepting and paying out monies soon and we are at a critical point for someone to be Treasurer. John stated we would move further Treasurer discussions to New Business later in the meeting to save time.

- 3) **Budget** was presented through Slack and was emailed to Mike Flaherty. It was agreed to let Huddle be decided by the clubs if they wish to pay for the Huddle system and not a board approved item. Budget item of \$5500 for staff to be changed to League Assistance and Contract Services. Chris F. mentioned that the money might be used to pay for Treasure State Lacrosse to handle our season scheduling, if needed.
Motion to Accept DRAFT budget for 2022 with line Line 33 to be Contracted Services and Line 37 to be League Assistance Services for the same \$5500 amount. Motion 1st by Will Winterholler and 2nd by Mike Power. Vote approved unanimously.

- 4) **Interim Committees** - Mike F. mentioned that he had to hop off the call, however made a comment that Lyn Porterfield, US Lacrosse, will be having a TEAMS meeting on Oct 26th. Further Promoting Growth and Competition / update on Oct 3 meeting, tabled till Nov. meeting.

Rules, Bylaws Committee - John Noble led a discussion about proposed changes to the Bylaws. Chris Fraser led discussion on Proposed Hand Book updates. Both Bylaws change requests and Proposed Handbook changes documents were posted on Slack. Very good discussion on the proposed additions and updates, however time cut the discussion to a close with a few more items to discuss. John Stoddart mentioned that he posted on Slack some proposed changes as well. Mike P. is to send Chris F. language to better the "Double Roster" proposed change. Chris F stated that he will provide the changes on Slack, in next few days, for more comment. John N. stated that a final draft must be posted by October 24th, which is 20 days prior to our Nov 13th General Membership meeting.

- 5) **2022 State Championship** discussions tabled til Nov. 2021 meeting

6) **November General Membership meeting.** Motion was made to have November General Membership meeting to be on Nov 13, 2021 at 10am in Butte, MT, with details to follow. 1st by Bill S. and 2nd by Steve A. Motion passed by unanimous vote. Dan Carrol to check out LaQuinta INN and to check on Dickeys' BBQ.

7) **Open Forum / New Business** - John N. brought the Treasurer discussion back as the board desperately needs a Treasurer. Jeff mentioned that it would be best to hire an accountant to be our Treasurer. Discussion continued with everyone pretty much in agreement that we need to have someone from our board be the Treasurer, however the board would hire a bookkeeper as a resource for the Treasurer to help with consistency and to share the time burden. Camden Walters commented that he might be interested in being the Treasurer and Will H. mentioned that he has a contact at Stockman and if needed he can help facilitate Stockman working some solutions for the board.

8) **Adjourn** - Motion was made Adjourn meeting, 1st by Jeff and 2nd by Will. Motion passed. Meeting ended at 9:37pm