

IHSSL Meeting Minutes, November 20, 2018 @ Lacrosse Idaho – 6:0 pm

ATTENDANCE:

In Person: Russ Wheeler, Tom Blanchard, Sheree Wheeler, Bobbi Lewis, Karen Moss, Britt Cornaby (Centennial), Khaminovane Senethavilary (Eagle), Phil Warchol (BK), Andy Elliott (Boise), Steve Goyen (MV) Josh Swartzman (RM), Brock Lenon (RM), Jerrid Verhaege (MV) Kegan Collins (VV), Brian Patten (Centennial), Jon Beers (Capital), Taylor Stover (Capital), Neil Nelson (BK), Brett Thomas (Borah)

Skype: Troy Hale (VV), Patrick Lopez (Logos), George Hein (JH), Charles Parker (Pocatello), Aron Jackson (JH), Andrea Dittman (CDA), Tom Welsh (Meridian)

1. *Accepting October Meeting minutes*
Cornaby/Verhaege motion to approve. Approved

2. *Treasurer's Report*

Beginning balance October 1 - \$9,474.65

2 expenditures

- \$650 for website
- \$147.74 IHSSL domain

Balance 10/31/18: \$8,677.77

3. *Travel requirements*

We don't want to isolate the north. It appears most teams were headed east this year. The idea was to adopt this policy, whether this year or next, in order to recognize the importance of the teams in the north. The intent was not to ask teams to change their travel plans. As it stands, the only team we are aware of that is traveling north is BK. Some people believe it is important to make the effort in order to continue to grow the regional teams. One option is to bring northern and eastern teams to play each other in Boise. We haven't mandated where teams travel to, it was the hope of the IHSSL that teams would self-police themselves. Some teams find it difficult to find other teams who are willing to play them (RM, Eagle, MV) in the valley, let alone outside of the valley. Some people expressed concern that it is too late to change schedules for this year, but support the proposal for next year. Not enough support for it this year. If teams have not booked their travel yet, they are encouraged to travel north this year. We will vote in January or February on the proposed travel schedule, to be implemented in 2020.

- Pocatello will play their freshmen players on their varsity team against jv teams

4. *Kuna*

Kuna is interested in putting together a team. Their parent meeting will be next Tuesday, and Russ will be in attendance.

5. *Website*

www.ihssl.org

Should be ready for teams to register hopefully in the next few weeks. The platform will be sportsengine.com

6. *Bylaws*

Neil Nelson (BK) indicated that the bylaws and policies are 2 years out of date, and need a great deal of work to be brought up to date. Lots of conflicts between policies and bylaws. He proposes that we have the month of December to review and comment. Need to read the minutes from the past two years to align the votes that we have made. Hope to be able to put something in front of people at the January meeting.

Motion: Neil Nelson/Britt Cornaby: Everyone is to print the bylaws and policies (on ILA website) to review and comment. **All comments will be due December 14th to Russ** (commissioner@ihssl.org) Passed. A subcommittee meeting will be January 15, and the board meeting for January will be January 22nd. Passed.

7. *Officials status*

We have done fairly decently here in the valley, picking up 5 officials. Haven't picked up any in the north or east that we are aware of.

Russ passed around the TVYLL "Zero Tolerance" policy. Russ will send out to the rest of the teams.

The proposal we have been working on with officials will be presented next month. Please provide any feedback on how fall ball went. Tom Welsh requested the following information -

How many on-field trainings?

How many went through the training?

How many are high school ready?

8. *New Team Grant vote*

Kuna has submitted a new team grant. In years past, it has been \$500.00. 6 - 7 years ago that was bumped to \$1,000.00. Kimberly submitted a grant last year, and the IHSLL gave them \$500.00. Russ would like to see \$1000.00 to go to Kuna to start a team

Motion: Brock Lenon/Britt Cornaby Provide \$1000.00 to Kuna to start a program. Passed.

Motion: Brock Lenon/Britt Cornaby Provide \$500.00 to Kimberly. Passed.

9. *Open Forum*

- If you get a team sponsor who wants a tax write off, ILA can do it as a pass through as the ILA is tax exempt. Please contact the ILA for more information.
- Sheree needs a list of coaches and assistant coaches, including their DOB or US Lacrosse # so that she can do background checks
- Seeding at the end of the year - last year we used LaxPower. That has been discontinued. We can create our own algorithm, or could break back into conferences. Still a Class A, Class B system.

Adjourn - 7:25 pm