

2019 MSLax Annual Meeting Minutes

Secretary Update – none

President Update – Julie Carlson

- Reviewed various changes and updates MSLax completed in 2019:
 - ✓ Revised Policies & Procedures
 - ✓ Granted 501(c)(3) with financial audit put in place of financial controls
 - ✓ Overhaul of MSLax website
 - ✓ MSLax monthly newsletters introduced
 - ✓ Automated waiver process
 - ✓ Fall leagues enhanced
 - ✓ Added clinics & training to support growth

Treasurer's Update – Will Sutton

- Reviewed current financial status of MSLax: Balance of \$132,936.18

Age Director Reports

8U – Laura Childs

10U – Angie Griffin

- Recommendation to change to 3 attempted pass rule when offensive team is over the restraining line

12U – Julie Carlson

- Recommended to change to 1 completed pass rule when offensive team is over the restraining line

14U – Julie Carlson

- 14A&B recommended to use high school rules
- 14UB recommended to remove mercy rule
- Recommendations to be reviewed by MSLax board

18U – Peter Robson

Director of Member Services – Kurt Brouillet

Events/Tournament Update – Kathy Flink

- Recommended for summer tournament to end a week earlier (to be reviewed by MSLax board)

Marketing & Communications – Maria Slusser

- Clarified that coaches do need background checks
- Do coaches need to be USL 1 certified – yes
- Recommended that emails are included on rosters (to be reviewed by MSLax board)

Board Elections – Ryan Sandell

Voting position nominees:

- President – Julie Carlson
- Secretary – Jess Jurovich
- Director of Events – Janien Fandel
- Director of Rules, Policies, and League Operations – Nathan Iverson

Non-voting position nominees:

- 12U Age Coordinator – Emily Muelken
- 14U Age Coordinator – Ashley Nelson

No other nominees recommended

Motion to close nomination by Chad Bjugan; second by Andrea (Mahtomedi); all were in favor

Motion to approve all nominees by Stillwater VP; second by Ed Neu; all were in favor

Survey Feedback – Julie Carlson

- Asked if teams could have two B teams versus one A and one B – yes but a waiver is required

Umpire Report – Tony Lancette

- Looking at options such as:
 - Ask the ref
 - Refereeing mentors
- MLUA is looking for referees

2020 MSLax Initiatives – Julie Carlson

2020 Important Dates – Julie Carlson

Questions – All

- Recommended that the spring and summer MSLax tournaments use a bracket play format. All constituents were in favor.
- Recommended that a ranking of opponents be conducted to determine placement for following year with respect to A and B placement. To be reviewed by board and obtain constituent approval.
- Recommended to start a C level. To be reviewed by board and obtain constituent approval.
- Suggested to implement a sideline manager. To be reviewed by board and obtain constituent approval.
- Recommendation made to try and better incorporate teams in the northern part of the stats. To be reviewed by board and obtain constituent approval.
- Concern was brought up regarding 14U girls playing under high school rules. Will be considered by the MSLax board when reviewing 2020 rules.
- The option for age waivers, specifically for 8th grade girls, was brought up. Will be reviewed on a case by case basis by Director of Member Services

Motion to adjourn annual meeting – Andrea (Mahtomedi); 2nd by Chad Bjugan; all were in favor