

Eureka Lacrosse Club
Board Meeting Minutes
Sept 9, 2019
6pm, Miller Haus

Present: Scott Hortiz, Shelly Hortiz, Tony Ehrman, Chad Brady, Martin Ferguson, Jacki Ripson, Deb Mayer, Beth Daniels, Mitch Mitchell, Scott Stubblefield, Sheldon Ripson, Tim Ganey, Debbie Ward, Justin O'Rourke

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:08 pm.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve was made by Mitch Mitchell and seconded by Tony Ehrman. Approved unanimously.

OFFICER REPORTS

Director of Finance (Chad Brady)

- Chad distributed the budget.
- He added a section on the right of the budget to track expenses that have already been paid for the 2020 season. He will be making adjustments next year that will make it easier to track these.
- Chad talked about the reserve that we have and how most non-profits benchmark what they should have based on expenses for a period.

President's Report (Sheldon Ripson)

- Keys for the locker – We have 4 sets and we cannot get keys duplicated. We will buy a combination lock in place of the key lock, so more people have access.
- Fall Classic – We will buy 50 tickets to sell to our club at \$12 each for the Rutgers vs. Georgetown game. We will have these in time for the picnic. Chad will send a check to Tim Ganey.
- We discussed the specific details of each of our Spring trips so that Shelly and Scott Hortiz understand what needs to be booked in terms of hotels, lunches & dinners.
 - Spring Break – Coach Ganey has arranged for the team to go to a Memphis Grizzlies NBA game with a special “team moment” prior to the game.
 - Game Schedule: (Varsity only) Friday 5 pm, Saturday 1 pm, Sunday 10 am
 - Travel arrangements needed: Hotel with breakfast included for 2 nights; lunch at hotel and pizza dinner on Friday at the hotel. Saturday lunch at hotel, dinner at hotel, meeting room for film session in morning; Sunday lunch on the bus.
 - Kansas City Trip
 - Game Schedule: Saturday 2pm & 4 pm (JV & V); Sunday at 10 am & noon (JV & V)
 - Travel arrangements needed: Hotel with breakfast included for 1 night; lunch on the road on Saturday; team dinner (possibly at Top Golf), Sunday bus lunch.

Vice President (Mitch Mitchell)

- No report

Communications (Debbie Ward)

- Debbie reported that Spring reg will be ready as soon as Trivia Night fees are finalized.
- Sheldon suggested that we launch the registration just prior to the picnic.
- Coach Ganey said that the Nike Vapor gloves are not available anymore. We will be replacing them with STX who manufactures Nike gloves. The new deadline is 9/30 and needs to be communicated to the parents.

Fundraising (Deb Mayer)

- Fall picnic –
 - Debbie Ward will send an email to remind everyone to sign up for Dibs.
 - We will have a very short meeting (10 mins) during the picnic. Deb will have a table for fundraisers and her goal is to recruit parents from each grade level for each fundraiser
 - Handout will include all the fees (registration fees, fundraisers, practice pack and be positioned as “Here is what it costs to play and here’s how you defray your costs.”
- Shakespeare Pizza
 - Kick off on October 7th, deadline October 25th, delivery is December 7th.
 - Goal is 25 pizzas, buyout is \$150; anything over 25, you get a credit of \$x per pizza (Chad to determine).
 - Debbie will email entire club list re: pizza buying opportunity
- Trivia Night
 - Currently planned for 2/15 at Andres; we paid a non-refundable deposit of \$500.
 - Must sell 2 @ \$40, buyout \$200
 - Music trivia!
- Kevin Baker will be doing Super Bowl squares fundraiser for the Club.
 - Minimum 2 squares
- Mulch – Deb found out that no other Eureka school program sells mulch; that fundraiser is TBD.

Coach Ganey

- We’ll be cutting 1 coach (Trotter) due to club numbers.
- Coach Funk can’t coach spring high school but may be able to coach Youth.
- We are looking for a JV Head coach/defense coach.
- Varsity, Tim, Borroff, Benson
- JV: Eder(JV-A Team), Campbell (JV-B Team), Todd and Sutter
- We have about 23 incoming freshmen.
- Season training started yesterday at CrossFit; 10 showed up
- Pumpkin Shootout – October 26th
- Lindenwood – 2 high school teams; 1 youth team
- Jamboree at the high school – Nov 16, 2019 at EHS (Webster, Lafayette, Lindbergh); location may be TDB depending on high school football needs.

- Regular season is almost all set. Fox and Seckman are outstanding for dates. Spring Break and KC are set.
- Fields will be set after December.

Youth Program (Tony Ehrman)

- 23 kids are registered for Fall Session; 1 3rd grader
 - 9 are U/12
 - Remaining are U/14
- Tony would like to focus on some of the elementary schools where participation has been low.
- Peachjar Communication – approximately \$450 for 3 communications out to all elementary and middle schools.
- Tony has been communicating with the PE teachers at elementary schools.
- Tim will investigate getting a net for the goal at Fairway. Having nets at some of the schools improves the Club's visibility

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Field Director (Sheldon Ripson in place of Eric Nichols)

- Eric is working on establishing a relationship with the high school.
- He is trying to get fall practices in October arranged. We have Crestview reserved in case Eureka is not available.
- Sheldon spoke with Bill Goggins again at the new Eureka fields; They are willing to rent on Tuesday and Thursday at 8:30-10 pm from February through May at \$100/hour. We are in line to get more time if it frees up during the week. It may allow us to be in a position in subsequent years if they add more fields.

Rockwood United (Scott Stubblefield)

- The program will begin in June for 2021-24 classes
- 2 tournaments: King of Queens in Cincinnati at end of June and a tournament in Wisconsin in July or an earlier tournament in South Bend, IN or Geneva, WI.
- Cost: \$350
 - tournament, coaches, field rental, new uniforms, lunch on field, team dinner and coaches' travel
 - doesn't include travel or hotel
 - practice 2x/week
- Scott has been talking with other schools
- No tryouts
- Debbie will do create a registration for it.
- Scott will have info at the picnic.

Volunteer Coordinator (Beth Daniels)

- Parent reps are all in place
- Shelly & Scott Hortiz are our new travel coordinators (thank you!)

- Beth provided a list of cell phones and contacts of the Board to everyone.
- Justin asked if we could use a texting app for group communication. We will try using Group Me for interactive communication.
- If younger kids are shagging balls at the high school games, they need to wear helmet, gloves and sticks. They can also march out with the team.
- Miller Haus is available for film sessions for \$50.

Uniform & Spirit Wear (Jacki Ripson)

- Tim said that he's setting up the Flash Store now and it should be available by the end of the week; deadline for this round is mid-October with delivery in mid-November. Practice packs will be in this flash store.
- Jacki confirmed with Mr. Pearson that we will not be charged for our yearbook pages this year; Jacki will create the pages.
- We will email the youth for the Flash Store as we have in the past.
- Helmets:
 - We have a minimum order of 20 helmets to get the Cascade R.
 - Schutt also makes a custom purple helmet that we can use if we can't get the Cascade S in subsequent years.
 - We'll make sure we hit the minimum, even if we must buy them and store them.

New Business

- Deb Mayer will head up a "Workstream & Milestone" project in which we will all be documenting what we do for our positions, timeframe and any vendors, etc. that we work with. Each Board member should come to next month's meeting with their responsibilities documented.
- Shane Mayer said that he would run concessions if needed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.