

Eureka Lacrosse Club
Board Meeting Minutes

October 8, 2019, 6-8 pm
Miller Haus, Wildwood, MO

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 pm.

II. Roll Call:

Present: Sheldon Ripson, Eric Nichols, Jacki Ripson, Dan Reisig, Tony Ehrman, Chad Brady, Mitch Mitchell, Debbie Ward, Tim Ganey, Scott Stubblefield

Absent: Beth Daniels, Deb Mayer, Justin O'Rourke, Martin Ferguson

III. Review Minutes from August Meeting –

- a. Mitch made a motion to approve the minutes. Chad seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved.

IV. Old Business – none

V. Officer Reports

a. Varsity Head Coach (Tim Ganey)

- i. Pumpkin Shootout - We will have 2 teams because now it's 7 v 7 vs. 14.
 1. Tony asked if there was a possibility of having a youth team in the 7 v 7 tournament, but the consensus was that the experience level of the team and the pace of play was not a good fit.
- ii. Illinois Wesleyan – We will be bringing a few more players based on last weekend's performance
 1. Debbie will send out new invites as Coach Ganey decides
- iii. Lindenwood Tournament - Coach Ganey was very happy with both teams' performances.
- iv. Schedule – Set for Varsity. JV will play the same teams as Varsity. Freshmen will play against some JV teams and will play other freshmen teams multiple times. Games still need to be entered into Arbiter and then they will be finalized.
 1. Weekend games – Eric can book 11-5 pm
 2. For weekday games, the schedule is more specific
 3. Senior Night – April 11th vs. Francis Howell
- v. Coaching – Alex Todd is not able to coach next season. Tim is trying to find a replacement.

b. President Report (Sheldon Ripson)

- i. Calendar review:

1. We have a youth camp coming up – Saturday is at Crestview and Sunday is at EHS
 - ii. Fall Athlete at EHS
 1. The AD would prefer that the lacrosse players who are playing a fall sport communicate with their coaches to coordinate practice and play time.
 - iii. Spring practice fields –
 1. Eric has put requests in for LaSalle from March 2nd through the end of May. The last two weeks of February are not open for booking yet
 2. EHS turf – have not been booked yet because it is not available to be booked yet.
 - iv. Sheldon handed in his work stream.
 - v. We have a new lock for the locker.
- c. Vice President (Mitch Mitchell)
- i. Mitch reached out to Jennifer Vogel to see if we could do a pre-season stat meeting. She did not have one set up and Mitch said we could host. It will be open to all teams.
- d. Youth Director (Tony Ehrman)
- i. Tony presented a “Business Plan and Budget Review”
 - ii. Tony would like to...
 1. Buy equipment for U8/U10 so that players can “try before they buy”. Parents would submit a deposit to get the equipment.
 2. Sponsor free interest clinics
 3. Provide jerseys that players can keep so they can wear it during the year at various “jersey days” and publicize the program
 4. Build a training manual and age appropriate “curriculum” with the help of the head coaches for youth coaches
 - a. Tim suggested doing a live training and have the coaches attend a high school practice to see drills
 5. The budget and cash flow scenarios support this model
 6. We will market to the elementary and middle schools and PE teachers
 - a. Jacki suggested that we investigate eHours for the youth (after school program that students can sign up for)
 - iii. Sheldon proposed the youth budget be put to a vote. Debbie made the motion, Mitch seconded, and the youth budget was approved unanimously.
- e. Director of Finance (Chad Brady)
- i. Chad presented the budget; he broke out the events that had both income and expenses.
 - ii. Everything is now in Quicken
- f. Director of Communication (Debbie Ward)

- i. Calendar and website are up to date
 - ii. Debbie brought attention to the Board group on the app and the chat function
- g. Director of Fundraising (Deb Mayer – absent but sent a written report)
 - i. Deb is concerned about Trivia Night volunteers. Jacki suggested that we make a general call for volunteers.
 - ii. Per Jacki, we should get someone to email letters to sponsors.
 - iii. November 1st is a potential date for lacrosse players to go door to door for sponsorships.
 - iv. Tony asked about program sponsors from bigger companies like automobile dealerships. Eric and Tony will get together outside of the meeting to discuss who to go after and the structure around that.

Committee Reports

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- a. Field Coordinator (Eric Nichols)
 - I. LaSalle is booked and Eric will start requesting from EHS
 - II. For gyms, Eric will follow up in October for November dates. We may have challenges with basketball.
 - III. Tony suggested the indoor field behind the old Burger King on Manchester for youth indoor practices.
 - IV. Tony suggested that we also check Midwest Hockey at Queeny Park.
- b. RU Coordinator (Scott Stubblefield)
 - i. Scott passed the info sheet that he gave to parents at the fall meeting
 - ii. The tournaments were chosen based on our ability to slot kids into brackets based on availability and age.
 - iii. Scott has 20 rooms reserved in each location; meals are covered by the fees.
 - iv. Scott presented a budget with estimated player numbers. Tim said that Marquette is in. Rockwood Summit and Lafayette have been slower to respond.
 - 1. We need 50 players to net \$0.
 - v. Scott needs to put deposits on the tournaments totaling \$2000 total.
 - vi. Scott asked the Board to approve the budget based on 50 players. Debbie made motion to approve the budget for 50 players. Chad seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.
- c. Volunteer Coordinator (Beth Daniels – sent written report)
 - i. Beth asked about Sign up Genius. Debbie mentioned that we have Dibs available to us through SportsEngine. She will contact Beth to see if that is a viable solution.
- d. Spirit Wear (Jacki Ripson)
 - i. The only question that she's had from parents re: Spirit Wear is about sizing of the joggers

- ii. We will keep the deadline as 10/10, but keep the registration live until 10/14.
 - iii. Bags and jackets have been ordered.
 - iv. Blankets – We must order 48 but we only have orders for 32. The fees paid for the 32 blankets cover the price for the 48.
 - v. We didn't hit the minimum on the helmets or gloves, so the Club bought extras to hit our minimum.
 - e. Media (Sheldon Ripson)
 - i. Debbie will give email addresses of registered Spring players to Jacki so she can give everyone access to the Shutterfly account
 - ii. Huddl – bought Krossover and is going to honor the price that Krossover gave us for this year.
- II. New Business – None
- III. Adjourn – Mitch made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Debbie seconded it and everyone approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.