



**BOYS YOUTH LACROSSE OF WASHINGTON**

Minutes of July 8, 2008  
Meeting of Executive Board

- 185: The meeting of the Boys Youth Lacrosse of Washington Executive Board was held on Tuesday, July 8, 2008 at 7:00 PM at the Mercer Island Public Library, 4400 88<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Mercer Island, WA.
- 186: In attendance: Tim Jones, Michael McGinn, Rick Jenness, Ron Wright, Bill Hanaford, Louis Lucchesi and Susie Petersen.
- 187: The Board confirmed that Louis Lucchesi was elected to an At-Large position at the June 12 general membership meeting.
- 188: **MOTION #31: Susie Petersen will be the Secretary of the BYLW Executive Board. Motion carried by vote of 6-0.**
- 189: Rick Jenness provided an update on the Lightning Division committee. An initial meeting will be scheduled for later in July, and the committee's objective is to deliver a formal recommendation in time for the September Board meeting.
- 190: The Board considered the proposal raised at the June 12 general membership meeting to shift the season out by 2 weeks. Such a change would avoid winter sports conflicts, improve field access and conditions for many programs, and take greater advantage of daylight savings time, but would also extend the BYLW season beyond the WHSBLA season. Rick Jenness proposed a schedule of 10 regular season weekends beginning March 14, 2009, with regional jamborees on May 30, the weekend after Memorial Day. Games for the final weekend of the season would be scheduled for Thursday/Friday/Sunday, to avoid conflicts with the High School Championships.
- 191: **MOTION #32: The first games of the 2009 BYLW season will take place on March 14, with remaining regular-season games scheduled during the following 9 weeks, through May 17. No games will be scheduled on Saturday, May 16, and regional jamborees will take place during the weekend of May 30, 2009. Motion carried by vote of 7-0.**
- 192: The Board discussed and confirmed Motion #30, passed at the March meeting, by which each team registered with BYLW will supply at least 1 WALOA-trained referee for the 2009 season.
- 193: The Board discussed a desire to better communicate and provide training for youth coaches. With a later start to the spring season,



- BYLW will request that WALOA offer rules clinics in each BYLW region during the weekend prior to the start of the regular season.
- 194: The Board considered changes for game scheduling. Ron Wright recommended that BYLW reactivate its own Sportability account, noting that referees could continue to view both youth and high school schedules. Regional schedulers will be encouraged to work more closely to schedule non-conference games next season. The Board will also propose the creation of a 5<sup>th</sup> region for 2009.
- 195: Because schedule management for the 2008 season turned out differently than expected, the Board discussed replacing Motion #26, passed in the December 13, 2007 meeting, with an agreement to direct payment for scheduling services to Ron Wright instead of the regional schedulers. With no regional schedulers present, no motion was made and discussion was tabled until the interested parties can participate.
- 196: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Michael McGinn, Secretary