

WLA Board Committee

Monthly Meeting Minutes

Date:	Thursday 18 April 2024
Start Time:	7:30pm start, 10:36pm close
Location:	Google meet

Attendees:	Will Ormsby (Chairman) Tash Featherstone (WLA Operations Executive) joined online 7:45pm Maree Hill (Treasurer) Leon Green (President) left 9:45pm, joined online Penny Cox Jules Rettkowicz (Secretary) Will Chisholm Carolyn Nicholson
Apologies:	Michael Smith

Action Point / Item / Topic				
Commi	Committee Administration: Responsibility			
1	Confirmation of attendance and apologies	JRETT		
2	Confirmation of previous minutes - moved by CN MH	All Committee		
3	WLA Operations report April 2024 U18s Aus Nationals:	Tash Featherstone		
	 Came 4th from 4th in Div 1, probably would have won div 2, something to think about next time. All ran incredibly smoothly thanks to manager extraordinaire. Think we would use Calder and Lawson again, but not the guy who was handling it. I would ask one of his superiors who intervened at the end. Need to have assistant coach Possibly would split the boys and girls next time and not stay together, too much of a distraction IMO. Just meet up for dinners/excursions and at the fields. 6 adults, 35 kids was tough when it came to injurys, dinner, laundry, team talks, management during downtime, organising of logistics etc. Feedback survey was 90% glowing positive and 10% 			

unjustified whinging about rubbish.

- Our manager has organised reversible for all the players, before we refund their money as there was a lot left over.
- I think in the region of \$200pp refund?
- The Merch was great so nice and easy, no long lead times. I will be working with them again.
- Perhaps going forward, those who make a Waikato team get a reversible included in their fees. This can then be used for trainings and then kept or traded as they see fit while away.
- Thoughts on me getting the position for another year? I am happy to continue if the board is happy? The girls are already asking me.
- Suggestion: look at the dynamics between coaches. Some can be set in their ways while others can be too hard to work with. Future coaches will be affected

Senior Nationals:

- Logistics and travel seemed to work out fine.
- Reports that the officiating was not good, especially in the final.
- Report from Maree Clarkin for the women.
- Report from Leon/Will
- Tournaments committee agreed to move the tournament back to 15th/16th March for 2025, thoughts are it will either be in Canterbury or Waikato, will find out by next month if Canterbury are up to the task.

High School league:

- Girls starts 12th May
- 18 teams again for the girls (hopefully)
- Currently 7 teams prem, 3 A grade, 7/8 B grade teams
- Thoughts would be: Run a 9 week round robin including the 3 A grade teams with prems (then they could go to nationals if they wish!) and then split top half bottom half with the top half going for prem grade title and bottom half going for A grade title.
- Or we do grading for the first weekend and then grade 1 or 2 teams down to A grade, which means they can't go to nationals.
- We need to set fees for the leagues and include medal cost, officials, admin, etc. See below details

Proposed fees are:

Prem grade

Per team costs Officials \$300, \$75 admin, \$25 medals, \$50

equipment usage/first aid = \$450?

PLUS NZL FEE OF \$35pp x 16 =560

Total = \$1010!!

B grade

Per team costs: \$240 officials, \$75 admin, \$15 medals, \$50 equipment usage/first aid = \$380?

PLUS NZL FEE OF \$35pp x 14 =\$490

=\$870!!

** we could knock the \$50 equipment charge off for this year and wear that.

• Boys League - depends on team numbers

Also, depending on what we do about teams that have more than 16 on their team lists, how do we charge NZL fees per team numbers? \$1620 / 6 teams =\$240

/5 teams =\$324

- +\$75 admin
- + \$25 medals

PLUS NZL FEE OF \$35PP

Potentially \$900 or \$985

Last years fees were \$590, \$550 and \$490 for boys

Boys: Starts 13th May

- Still 5 schools, unsure on how many teams
- Some schools have grown and have enough for almost 2 teams
- We have created a Youth Development league which will run alongside for years 7-9 boys who are just starting off their contact lacrosse game or want to learn it for next year etc.
- Couple of kids who need dispensation have been in touch with WSSSA and NZSPORT
- Boys nationals tournament to be confirmed on format but is a "cup event" so there is flexibility in it and we have final say on the composite teams being allowed to place.
- I have invited the Auckland schools to join us if they wish, or they can enter a President's Auckland schools team. Will touch base with them again over holidays.
- So far it looks like they might just send an Auckland team down to play our BYE team. Or can arrange one of ours to go there.
- Arranged for the AED to be serviced somewhere round the week of the 20th May, they will contact me closer to the time to arrange a date and time.

NZL

- Recent strange article from Bill written In the UK about how redundant shot clocks are and how the need for them is just creating an issue in that most clubs already don't have enough officials for games, let alone can afford to have more officials in charge of shot clocks. Talk about flip flopping on the idea Bill.
- We have 2 possibly 3 nominees for the 3 positions board positions at the AGM. WOOHOO! Now to do a bit of subtle canvassing for the nominees.
- EOI has gone out for u20s boys program. Apparently they have 22 registered. Bill basically admitted so much as it's a case of finding out if anyone has enough money to go and then see if they are any good. Eric has his knickers in a knot about it. I would think that we might still have enough to go to u18s, and if not we could combine with AKL, and make NZL own us as an NZL team and Eric can still coach them. Win win. It won't be like that every year but we aren't big enough and we will always be affected by national programs when they run until we have more depth across the board.

4 Treasurer report and items for approval/discussion:

See attached:

Outstanding fees here

WLA Bank Summary

WLA Profit and Loss

WLA Balance Sheet

WLA Treasurer's Report April 2024 - Draft

Attached Xero Account transactions and Bank Balances for March 2024 (Emailed)

Accounts to be passed for payment

- 1. Storage King \$420.00 (automatic payment) New bank Account to be confirmed before payment
- 2. Xero \$81.65 (automatic payment)
- 3. Tash Singh \$1000 fortnightly (automatic payment)
- 4. NZL Affiliation Fees \$16070.00, due 20 April 2024!
- Calder Lawson \$40 Accommodation NZL National WLG
 2024
- 6. L Green \$51.88 Email reinstatement (Form needed)

Payments made during the month and to be ratified:

- I P Smith \$1585 (Refund from U18 Programme)
- M Clarkin \$1390 (Budget for Snr Womens Expenses)
- Direct Group \$384.95 (Pinnies for Snr Womens Rep 2024)

Current Fees due

- Spreadsheet of Outstanding Invoices attached.
- Statements to be emailed out to all Clubs and Schools
- WLA Senior Womens Rep 2024
- Invoice for van from Calder and Lawson sent to M Clarkin, as funds given in Managers Funds prior to Tournament.
- Van \$381.37
- Additional Cost \$40 for Accommodation (Mens \$225, Womens -\$185)

Maree Hill

	M Hill to get M Clarkin to just pay van only.			
	WLA Senior Mens Rep 2024Player Invoices to be chased for payment.			
	 U18 Australian Tournament D Scott has paid the Australian U18 Tournament Fee AUD2200 with Wise Card D Scott has paid the Van Invoice from Calder and Lawson NZD5294.32 with Wise Card. \$2211.04 funds returned from D Scott Wise Card closing balance Training pinnies being sorted. Reconciliation to be done once this cost is known and paid. 			
	Wise Card ■ No further on this.			
	 NZ Lacrosse NZL have been invoiced \$240 for the additional sessions. Not yet paid. Affiliation Fees \$16070 pay off in instalments? NZL Affiliation Fee Invoiced to WLA members separately? I move that treasurer's report be accepted and accounts passed for payment – MH, seconded: LG 			
5	Received Correspondence: Shot Clock - Ops Manager NZL Senior Womens Report - Maree Clarkin Sports clubs urged to have their say on proposed community infrastructure targeted rate - Sport Waikato Rebel Sport Grant SSNZ Position update relating to National Youth Team Trials and Training scheduling	All Committee		
Actions from Previous Meeting				
6	New board members to organise transfer of emails & access to WLA Google email and drives • Leon to organise accounts, emails - in progress • Moshe to organise google drive - in progress	All Committee		
Items fo	or Discussion			
_	Monthly review of constitution/policies/bylaws:			
7	•	Penny C		

8	 Setting up an operational committee: Roles required along with a JD: Equipment manager League coordinator - high school and club Health and Safety coordinator Social media coordinator 	Tash F
9	Friends of WLA to be formulated after: Tasks, format, communication, sign-up Use friendly manager to sign up friends of WLA	All committee
10	 Lacrosse: We had funding to develop the app Expired, will cost estimating \$10-15k Will has design brief App was functional Hit up Waikato Uni to see if there is a students or someone that can assist in return for payment 	Jules, Leon and Will
Actions	to be Taken	
10	 Jules to contact Waikato Uni to reach out for coaches and will funnel out Tash to confirm how many schools require coaches 	Jules R
11	Tash to organise code of conduct up on website	Tash F
12	 Penny and Jules to finalise changes to privacy policy, then send to remaining board for approval. Penny to check about sharing info to NZL. 	Penny C, Jules R
	 EOI and advertising 2 year tenure, with a review on the 2nd year and an option to renew in the 3rd year. Review JD's, penny (coaches/assistant coaches) and Leon (managers) Email applications to secretary 	\
	Request report and review from Eric and Tash and do a 360 review	Jules R
	 Confirming Senior nats for 2025 and book accommodation/flights. Players will need to stay and travel together 	Tash
Any oth	er business	
13	Next Meeting: • Proposed May 23 @ 6:30 PM (NZDT) at Te Awamutu Sports Club	