

LAOUT Board Meeting

July 16, 2019

Call to Order: 8:07 pm

Roll Call:

Lauren Hill, Nahall Esteghamat, Jessica Creamer, Joanna Whitney, Chris Ludwig, Jackson Dolan, Christi Betz, Sonja Roden, Grant Boyd

Absent: Remy Schor, Tyler Kytovsky

Guest: Alison Yoho; Dan Perahya

Reports:

Secretary (Approval of minutes)

Motion: approve June meeting minutes - **passed**

- Going forward, the minutes will be emailed to the Board by Wed of the meeting week for review by that Friday. If no edits/changes are emailed by 5pm on Friday, the minutes will be posted to the website as presented.

President's report

- Absent

VP report

- LeiOut group met with Throwback organizers to discuss what it would take to run both tournaments on Santa Monica beach, side-by-side, on MLK weekend
- There may be some insurance issues and it would be a lot of work
- We would need to find some way to differentiate between the two tournaments, like 4 v 4 or 5 v 5
- Several people are still working on finding a party venue in the LA area
- Huntington Beach will remain a back-up plan

Treasurer's Report

- We should start making sure our budget items are being spent down
- Some of that money will go to pay a Field Director

Update on Fields

- Close to securing fields for the Summer League tournament in Norco for August

Update on SCYU

- LA's Best program didn't happen this year but hoping to reconnect with them next year
- Silverlake Summer League is going well with about 25-30 kids

Update on Leagues

- Summer League packets are being distributed these two weeks from Andy
- Fall grass league is being planned to be used as a pilot for new league structure
- Likely to start in October so announcement will come out soon
- Looking to find a field on the east side, west side, valley, and LB area for a Fall league

Update on Equity

- Met last week to discuss what went well over the last year and what we want to do better/differently in the year to come
- Lauren will type up the notes and share them to the website

Additional Business

Talk with Alison about Beach League

- Alison will find someone to assist her on the weekends she has to leave early

- We should consider moving the fields or at least rotating fields every week so the same teams don't play in the same places
- If moving to the North end of the parking lot works better then that can be an option too
- Suggestion: roster caps for teams should be removed for the upcoming season because it pushed some women out of the league instead of onto other teams
- Joanna will provide budget and budget tracking information to get started
- We are waiting to hear back from Santa Monica about how much the fields will cost

Possible Winter league changes (Grant and Jackson)

- Grant & Jackson presented ideas for a new Winter League structure which was presented for information only, no vote took place
- Next step is to take this proposal to the League Committee with additions that were suggested during this meeting
- Grant & Jackson will put a communication plan together on how to share information widely about this with the entire community

Talk over FD position options

- Chuck info: put in 1-18 hours/week plus sometimes staking out or stalking a place
- Jeff Chai suggested to hire a cheap payroll company; we can 1099 everyone but we don't have anyone to do the tax paperwork at the end of the year
- As long as people are under \$600/year, LAOUT doesn't have to file the tax paperwork
- \$2,000 per year (\$500/quarter) plus gas mileage. Estimate 3 hours/week of work for right now
- **Motion:** create a paid position for Field Director that will not sit on the Board - **passed**

Social events

- Thinking about doing Prom this year as a big Halloween costume party
- Grant suggested a mid-beach league beach party after the games

Adjourn 10:06