



CCLA 05-06 Fall Meeting Minutes

Day 1

A. Roll Call

- a. All Teams Present and Accounted for.

B. Review of Procedures

- a. Facilitator Defined
- b. Timekeeper Defined

C. Summary of Minutes

- a. Summary of 2004 meeting minutes read

D. Communication

- a. Overall conference wide communication
 - i. Overall the communication between board members was poor for 2004. Overall the communication between the teams and the board was poor for 2004. This is a two way street. The board must make things easier for the teams. But the teams must also follow through on their end.
 - b. Current CCLA Website
 - i. Current site is out of date and is not user friendly.
 - ii. No money has been spent on the site as the conference has been waiting for the USLIA-MDIA official site to come online. Some functions of the current site will be assumed by new USLIA-MDIA site
 - c. Current USLIA/MDIA Websites
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- i. MDIA Website.
 - 1. The 'public" side of the MDIA website will join the administrative side this year. Information we are interested in gathering for our on site will be required, and should be easy to upload into.
- ii. USLIA site is not the official site for the USLIA.
- iii. CCLA Chatboard
 - 1. Used too often for official league communication because no other venue was available. Too often used as a place for coaches to bad mouth other teams

d. New CCLA Website

- i. Robbie suggested a new CCLA site be created for administrative use only. A site that would be updatable by all the officers easily allowing notes and invoices to be posted. It can hold a variety of information; Robbie's slides are available upon request. E-Board empowered to research other Conference's boards and create.

E. CCLA Board Voting

a. Commissioner

- i. Robbie Heaps and Todd Boward Nominated.
- ii. Suggested that Robbie become Commissioner and Todd become Vice Commissioner. They both accept the nominations and are voted into their positions.

b. Vice Commissioners

- i. A Level – Todd Boward
- ii. B Level – Andy Sharp
- iii. B Level created to eliminate Player Reps and give the B Level a voice in administrative affairs. Terms will be staggered, with the VC in his second term 1st in line for succession. By-laws will be amended by Nov 1st to reflect this.

c. Past Commissioner

- i. Vacant

d. Treasurer

- i. Lisa Paul, 1 year remaining

e. Secretary

- i. Owen Blank, 1 year remaining
- f. Player Representatives
 - i. Voted out of existence. Replaced by Vice Commissioner B. By-laws will be amended by Nov 1st to reflect this.

F. Discipline Issues

- a. EMU 2005 Season Situation reviewed. No action taking as they are currently complaint
- b. Ball State Status, requested to move up to A Level one year early. Motion Passed.
- c. Future punishments, the E-board was empowered to research other conferences disciplinary measures and determine reasonable punishments for a variety of situations.
- d. Must be presented to the membership by Nov 1st. An appeals process should be included.

G. CCLA Budget Update

- a. Invoice Procedure and dates
 - i. 1st invoice is to be paid before December 1st.
 - ii. 2nd invoice is to be paid before March 1st. This has been moved up 1 month from April 1st.
 - iii. Invoices include: CCLA Dues, USLIA Dues, official's fees, any clean up from last year.
 - iv. Lisa asked teams that were eligible for rebate or owed money if they preferred to roll it into the 05-06 invoice, or handle it that weekend.
- b. E-Board Pay
 - i. Motion made to pay E-Board a stipend of \$300 for time served at the end of the season. Passed unanimously.
 - ii. Checks to be cut the 1st Saturday after the CCLA Tourney. By-laws will be amended by Nov 1st to reflect this.

H. Queen City Lax Presentation

- a. Cute girl gave quick presentation about QC Lax and handed out information packets and catalogues.

I. USLIA Business

- a. MDIA Website

- i. The MDIA site will be streamlined and a public site will be added to the current league administrative side.
 - ii. Game reports will be added and will be required to be filled out within 48 hours of a game. An officials review section will be included
 - b. National Tournament
 - i. Bidding process is now open. US Lacrosse will accept bids and determine the site.
 - c. Eligibility Process
 - i. There will be two checks for all teams this year. The league will perform the first check 7-14 days before a team's first game. The Conference will perform a second eligibility check after latest drop/add date for member team.
 - ii. A third check will be required for all teams in the position to make the playoffs 7-14 days before the start of the CONFERENCE playoffs.
 - iii. The Conference will keep all originals in an archive.
 - d. USLIA Meetings
 - i. No CCLA rep attended the Summer MDIA Board meeting. We are on probation. If no one attends the Winter meeting we will lose our Tourney AQ.
 - e. Coach's Convention
 - i. Registration is now open for National Convention in January 2006. Robbie Must attend,
 - ii. IMLCA is a new college coach's convention in December. MDIA coaches may be granted associate memberships. Check ECAC and CCLA message boards for information.

J. Official's Presentation

- a. Clark went over possible rules changes. They all seemed dumb.

K. Introduction of Applying teams

- a. University of Dayton
 - i. Applied for admission as an A Level Team. Accepted as a B-level Team.
- b. Northern Michigan University
 - i. Applied for admission as a B Level Team. Not accepted.
- c. Carnegie Mellon University

- i. Applied for admission as a B Level Team. Accepted as a B Level team.

d. Application Process

- i. There was much dissatisfaction over the current method of accepting new teams into the fold. No real rhyme or reason and no way to properly insure the quality of an applying team.
- ii. Owen suggested on Day 2 that the E-board start to seek out teams in under-represented areas and mentor interesting teams for a year prior to their application. Hopefully this will improve the quality of the competitive and administrative abilities of applying teams.

Day 2

L. Tournament Brainstorming

a. Seeding

i. A Level

1. N1 vs. S2/N3
2. S1 vs. N2/S3

ii. B Level

1. N1 vs. S2
2. S1 vs. N2

b. Tie Breakers

- i. Head to Head
- ii. Goal differential, capped at 10
- iii. Goals Allowed
- iv. Pull a name out of a hat
- v. These tie breakers relate only to teams that are tied. They will be applied the Sunday before the tournament begins. I'll add this duty to the Vice-Commissioners' role in the by-laws.

c. Things to make it better.

- i. Read it, I want to go home!

M. Divisions

a. A Level

i. North Division

1. Central Michigan
2. Eastern Michigan
3. Michigan
4. Michigan State
5. Oakland
6. Western Michigan

ii. South Division

1. Ball State
2. Buffalo
3. Indiana
4. Miami, OH
5. Purdue
6. Pittsburgh
7. West Virginia

iii. Standings

1. Every team plays all teams in their division
2. Only divisional games count towards playoff standings.

b. B Level

i. North Division

1. Calvin
2. Ferris State
3. Grand Valley
4. Hope
5. Michigan-Dearborn

ii. South Division

1. Carnegie Mellon

2. Dayton
3. Grove City
4. IUP
5. Taylor

iii. Standings

1. Every teams plays everyone in there division plus one crossover.
2. All games count towards playoff standings.

c. New Teams

- i. As new teams are added in Ohio/PA/WV/NY teams in Indiana will be shifted into the North to maintain a balance
- ii. This will apply to both A and B levels as much as possible.

N. Scheduling

a. B Level Crossover games, count towards standings

- i. Calvin vs. Dayton
- ii. Ferris State vs. Taylor
- iii. Grand Valley vs. Grove City
- iv. Hope vs. IUP
- v. UMD vs. CMU