



MIAA Boys' and Girls' Combined Lacrosse Meeting

Virtual via RingCentral

September 21, 2022

1. Call to Order at 10:05 am.
 - a. Welcome remarks offered by Steve Dubzinski, our new MIAA liaison.
 - b. Attendance was recorded from the RingCentral site (Attendance Attached)
2. Business and Compliance
 - a. Election of Officers – Girls
 - i. Motion to Appoint L. von Holtz as Chair of the Girls' Lacrosse Committee. Unanimous.
 - ii. Motion to Appoint D. O'Brien as Vice Chair of the Girls' Lacrosse Committee. Unanimous.
 - iii. Motion to Appoint Ellen Holmes Secretary to the Girls' Lacrosse Committee. Unanimous.
 - b. Election of Officers – Boys
 - i. Motion to Appoint D. O'Brien as Chair of the Boys' Lacrosse Committee. Unanimous.
 - ii. Motion to Appoint J. Domingos as Vice Chair of the Boys' Lacrosse Committee. Unanimous.
 - iii. Motion to Appoint Ellen Holmes Secretary to the Boys' Lacrosse Committee. Unanimous.
 - c. Conflict of Interest – Members to complete the link posted (if they haven't otherwise signed)
 - d. Role of Committee Members – Link included in agenda
3. Statewide Tournament Update
 - a. TMC awaiting our feedback. As it is year 2 of a 2 year cycle, the format will not change this year.
 - b. BOYS – D. Benson – “Extreme positive feedback – One of the most successful in 20 years”. Compliments to Rich Riley, Dan Brothers, Wayne Puglisi, and Jim Charbonneau
 - i. Some parents expressed travel-related complaints
 - ii. Venues for both boys (Worcester State) and girls (Babson) were great
 - c. GIRLS – L. von Holtz – Similar compliments; Thoroughness on scores/results contributed to success; ML Thimas – Competitiveness was great; Assignor comment: At semi-finals, the restraining line should be at the 30.
 - i. Where and when are the postings for Tournament Director and Assignor posted? They are currently posted and N. Bonneau posted link in the chat
 - ii. Further discussion of any date on the impact of the 10 Goal Differential
 1. Running up scores
 2. Players getting into the game
4. Coaches' Representative Report
 - a. Boys' – W. Puglisi
 - i. Score Differential (Just discussed)
 - ii. NE Lacrosse Journal – Posting ads for prep schools/Catholic Schools
 1. Possible concern of recruitment violation
 - b. Girls' – A. Means covering for S. Freda.
 - i. Protecting the 20 game maximum schedule
 1. Officials concern about just not having enough officials to cover; if you play less, fine

5. Officials' Representative Report

a. Boys' – D. Benson

- i. Actively recruiting since June/July; very thin this past season
- ii. Most of the new rules are clarifications
- iii. J. Carbonneau presenting
 1. All the lines must be continuous and complete (Schools could use a temporary line chalk or a paint which would dissolve after the match as a possible remedy.
 2. if concern with a school logo)
 - a. Penalty = Loss of ball at opening faceoff
 - b. Need to make sure Ads know asap if this will be a rule consistently enforced
 - i. D. Benson Spring 2023 it will be mandated
 3. Substitution box reduced from 10 yards to 5 yards
 4. Shoes – Don't worry; just a clean up
 5. Stringing of the Stick – Protrusions (not defined); Need to have protrusion defined to let players know what brand to avoid
 6. Goalie leaving crease – considered just another player
 - a. Redefine how we call play if goalie leaves crease and loses stick, etc.

b. Girls' – T. Riggs.

- i. The requirement to apply pressure to the ball in the pocket during crosse inspection is eliminated.
- ii. Players may not step on or over the restraining lines after the official's hand is in contact with the sticks at the draw until the restraining line is released regardless of number of players between the restraining lines.
- iii. A player that is fouled outside the critical scoring area is allowed to take the free position and self-start within 4-meters of the spot of the foul.
- iv. The defensive player awarded a free position is allowed to self-start when there is a foul by an attack player within the critical scoring area unless the game clock is stopped.
- v. Alternate possession for offsetting fouls is eliminated when one of the fouls requires the issuance of a card.
- vi. The goalkeeper may carry the ball into the goal circle after it has been cleared and played.
- vii. Administration of a free position for a three-second violation is moved from the spot of the ball to the 12-meter fan when the ball is outside the critical scoring area and above the goal line extended.
- viii. Points of Emphasis
 1. Sportsmanship
 2. Knowledge of Rules
 3. Dangerous Use of Stick

ML Thimas – Thanked the coaches/officials for getting out the questionnaires, and made special note that MA had the largest number of responses nationwide. S. Dubzinski thanked D. Benson, T. Riggs and ML Thimas.

6. DEI Pledge Update

- a. S. Dubzinski noted the pledge is not mandated, but strongly encouraged. He feels it has been well received thus far.

7. Rule Change Proposals

- a. J. Magliozzi (Boys') asked D. Benson for

b. Rule Change Proposal Voting

- i. (1) Girls No- 3 Yes-11; Boys No-0 Yes-12 Unanimous
- ii. (2) Girls No- 0 Yes-14 Unanimous; Boys No-0 Yes 12 Unanimous

iii.	(3)	Girls No- 5	Yes-7;	Boys No-7	Yes-5
iv.	(4)	Girls No- 5	Yes-9;	Boys No-5	Yes 7
v.	(5)	Girls No- 7	Yes-7;	Boys No-7	Yes-5
vi.	(6)	Girls No- 6	Yes-8;	Boys No-7	Yes 5
vii.	(7)	Girls No- 10	Yes-4;	Boys No-8	Yes-4
viii.	(8)	Girls No- 7	Yes-7;	Boys No-7	Yes 5
ix.	(9)	Girls No- 11	Yes-3;	Boys No-10	Yes-2
x.	(10)	Girls No-10	Yes-4;	Boys No-10	Yes 2
xi.	(11)	Girls No- 0	Yes-14 Unanimous;	Boys No-0	Yes-12 Unanimous
xii.	(12)	Girls No- 0	Yes-14 Unanimous;	Boys No-0	Yes 12 Unanimous
xiii.	(13)	Girls No- 0	Yes-14 Unanimous;	Boys No-0	Yes-12 Unanimous
xiv.	(14)	Girls No- 10	Yes-4;	Boys No-8	Yes 4

AMENDMENT by J. Magliozzi, 2nd D. O'Brien "based on equitable percentage of each sport season vs. flat number (14a is vote on adoption of amendment)

xv.	(14a)	Girls No- 1	Yes-13;	Boys No-0	Yes 12 Unanimous
xvi.	(15)	Girls No- 4	Yes-10;	Boys No-4	Yes-8
xvii.	(16)	Girls No- 5	Yes-7;	Boys No-4	Yes 8
xviii.	(17)	Girls No- 3	Yes-9;	Boys No-3	Yes-9
xix.	(18)	Girls No- 6	Yes-6;	Boys No-6	Yes 6
xx.	(19)	Girls No- 0	Yes-12 Unanimous;	Boys No-0	Yes-12 Unanimous
xxi.	(39)	Girls No- 1	Yes-11;	Boys No-0	Yes 12 Unanimous
xxii.	(40)	Girls No- 0	Yes-12 Unanimous;	Boys No-0	Yes 12 Unanimous
xxiii.	(41)	Girls No- 0	Yes-12 Unanimous;	Boys No-0	Yes-12 Unanimous
xxiv.	(42)	Girls No- 0	Yes-12 Unanimous;	Boys No-1	Yes 11
xxv.	(43)	Girls No- 0	Yes-12;	Boys No-0	Yes-12 Unanimous

8. Alignment and Competitive Equity Tool
 - a. Currently being updated
9. Other
10. Next Meeting – February 2nd, 2023. Would like to be in-person.
11. Adjournment –
 - a. Boys' Committee – Unanimous
 - b. Girls' Committee – Unanimous

Attendees

Boys' Committee: D. O'Brien, L. von Holtz, E. Holmes, J. Scanlon, D. Benson, D. Lee, J. Domingos, J. Ogden, R. Keuther, J. Magliozzi, D. Lee, S. Martin, D. Benson, W. Puglisi
Girls' Committee: L. von Holtz, E. Holmes, ML Thimas, T. Riggs, C. Germain, J. Scanlon, J. Magliozzi, D. Heres, J. Parcels, K. Guillemette, D. O'Brien, A. Means, S. Martin, B. Lucette
MIAA Staff: R. Riley (S. Dubzinski, Lacrosse Liaison) and N. Bonneau, D. Brothers
 D. Brothers entered at 1031am, S. Martin left at 1123am, T. Riggs and J. Parcels left at 1140am