

GPLOA Board Meeting Notes – 2/09/2009

Attendance:

Present: Dan Ferry, Chase Howse Steve Kotch, Phil Lock, Mark McCarter, Gary Mitchell, Frank Powers, David Seidman

Absent: Paul Kubach

General Items

- Meeting attendance – How are we going to handle members that make > 6 meetings?
 - The Board will determine on a case-by-case basis, taking into consideration the reason for absence, alternatives available, etc.
 - Dan will contact Ryan Nottis regarding attendance at non-Monday events [clinics, youth training scrimmages, etc]
- Andy Hayes, coach at Episcopal Academy, presented the concept of the EPSLA Super Sophomore & Super Junior Games on June 11th at Haverford College [new facility]. EPSLA will pay \$100/man [3-man game] for the top officials from each chapter. **The assignors will determine who gets the game.**
- Current Membership Count: 137 total including new Cadets, 98 PIAA [Dist 11=17, Dist 1,11,3,99 = 81]
- Chase has been contacted by Fitzsimons Thomas HS (Philly). This new program will play at the JV level and against mainly Independent schools. Their one home game will be on 4/20 against St. Joe's Prep. Mastery Charter School has a similar program. It will play two home games [3/26 & 4/16] at its Shoemaker Campus. Chase suggested GPLOA waive official's fee for these games for the current year. The Board approved the fee waiver unanimously.
- Philadelphia School District Middle schools expect to have 16 teams this season. They will play one game during the week and a multi-game format on weekends. Fee will be \$40 per man/8 minute running quarters – two officials per game.

Rules Interpretation Meeting

- Generated sign-in sheet for our members to use
 - Joe McMonagle will help me hand out books/patches
 - Single envelope with everything inside.
 - I will be ready at 6:30
- Blank sheet for outside members [Name, Address, Chapter]
- Coach's sheet – PIAA supplied pre-printed list of all PIAA schools
- Agenda
 - PIAA Concerns
 - New Rules
 - Sportsmanship & Certification mechanic
 - Q & A
- David thinks it will run a full hour or more

1. David – Send Chase wording for PIAA certification for back of Crew Card / Rating
2. David – Develop mechanic for Sportsmanship/certification
3. Steve – Check with Tom Brady to see if another test for current Cadets can be given
4. David – Can copy of PIAA ejection form be emailed to David or Assignors?

5. Chase – text for email blast on scrimmages 3/7 PW, 3/7 Truman, 3/14 CB West [self assign in arbiter]

Feb 17th Meeting

- Opening comments [Dan]
 - Middle Schools in Philly
 - Kick off clinic agenda
- theArbiter Q&A [Chase]
- How will scrimmages be assigned this year [Paul]

Youth Training Class

- Middletown Park has been reserved for March 22nd and scrimmages are set for the afternoon.
- We will take 25 in class, others will be wait-listed
- Need to convey that completing training is no guarantee of games
- Willingness to travel will improve chance of games
 - Cost to Cadet (books are \$20, Arbiter \$5, expenses ??)
- Upper Dublin Youth Scrimmages - March 15th –
 - Do we use this for Chase's Cadet Class and Returning Youth?
- OJR Spring Thaw – March 28-30
 1. Steve will develop registration form for website
 2. We need email wording to send out
 3. Need criteria for rejecting/accepting candidates
 4. How will we use Upper Dublin Scrimmage date?

Kick Off Clinic

Agenda:

- 8:00 – 8:30 Registration & Coffee
- 8:30-8:50 Dan's comments, description of day, etc.
- 9:00-10:30 Gym
 - Stations:
 - Crease Play – Phil Lock & Jason McGhin
 - Two crease areas will be used
 - Face Offs – Gary Mitchell & Frank Powers
 - Two face offs – no wing men
 - Signals – Paul Kubach / Bruce Hoffman
 - No players needed
 - Dan & David to float between areas
 - Rotate every 25 minutes
- 10:45 – 11:45 Class rooms
 - Stations
 - Technical Fouls Gary Mitchell & _____ ???
 - Personal Fouls – Jerry Brown & Jeff Senior
 - Pre-game – Paul Kubach & Joe McMonagle
 - David will try to splice together film for three sessions
 - Three projectors will be needed {Chase, Steve, other?}
 - Steve will contact KLOA to borrow “PLA Grant projector”
- 10:45 – 11:45 Crew Chief Track
 - Chase & _____?

- Chase/Other need to identify who will be in this track
- Steve will contact Phil Chang to see if some players would help out