

Central Texas Lacrosse Officials Association

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 10 FEBRUARY 2020 AT NORTH VILLAGE PUBLIC LIBRARY, AUSTIN, TX

The Meeting was called to order at 7:04pm by Chris Knight, the Chair and President of the Association. After opening remarks, the Chair recognized Ken Singer, Executive Secretary of the Association, who moved approval of the December 2019 and January 2020 minutes of the Association. After a second, the motion was approved by voice vote.

The Chair called upon Andrew Windler, Treasurer, for his report. Mr. Windler stated that the Association balance was around \$14,000, that the budget for observation & training would range between \$2 - 4 thousand, and that payment for game officials should be posted in Arbiter, and should be communicated (after the completion of the game) to game officials and the home team personnel.

Mr. Singer then outlined initial season expectations. He reviewed the procedures for communications with teams, and reminded all that photos and travel locations on Arbiter should be updated. He concluded his discussion by stating that all attendees should enforce THSLC conduct policies, that game cards should be provided to both head coaches during the pregame, and that updated travel payment information is posted on the CTLOA website.

Adam Curtis, Youth Coordinator, discussed the pending youth schedule, which would be posted within the next 1-2 weeks. For those officials working youth games, he emphasized the necessity of knowing and enforcing youth rules, and the importance of Association officials working with non-Member youth officials on Junior level games when assigned (Association officials will primarily be assigned to Senior-level games). Mr. Curtis also stated to the Members that the Youth schedule would likely be more variable this season than in past seasons, due to the greater uncertainty of the youth schedule.

The Chair informed all Members that requests for officials should be directed to the appropriate Assignors – Mr. Singer for schools, and Mr. Curtis for youth programs. At this time, the Chair reminded all attendees that consistency – at both the school and youth level – was one of the primary goals of the Association, and that consistency on the youth level (concerning takeout checks, head shots, and 90 degree stick checks) was an Association responsibility for all Members.

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Following this discussion, Mr. Curtis provided an overview of Arbiter procedures concerning IRS Forms 1099, and the processes that Arbiter follows in the production of such Forms (and the communications Mr. Curtis will have with the various programs utilizing Arbiter online payment procedures).

The Chair opened the floor to a discussion on training and officiating guidelines on High Hits – the discussion covered youth and school officiating expectations. It was emphasized in the discussions that ‘intent’ was NOT a factor in the assessment of the foul, but WOULD be a factor in the determination of the penalty. Following this discussion, a training video on enforcement issues was reviewed.

The Chair, in his closing remarks, renewed the appointment of Joe Berkel as Parliamentarian and Sergeant-at-Arms of the Association. Upon the conclusion of the remarks from the Chair, it was moved (Mr. Curtis) and seconded to adjourn; the motion carried by voice vote and the Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:09pm.

Ken Singer
Executive Secretary

Attendees are appended below

Attendees

Daniel Arata
Joe Berkel
Donald Bull
Russ Bowen
Gene Brown

Jason Johnson
Chris Knight
Chris Mele
Rodney Meyer
Bob Novak

Rob Chambers
Adam Curtis
Keith Denebeim
Miguel Duron
Scott Fairbairn

Rud Nast
Paul Policke
Rick Schindel
Ken Singer
Michael Snow

Angel Gonzales
Mike Jackson

Kyle Wolff
Andrew Windler