



Armstrong High School Boys Lacrosse Booster Club

2015-2016 Head Coach – Luke Gellerman

President – Julie Carpenter ♦ VP Finance – Kent Zehrer ♦ VP Operations – Rich Thompson

AHS Boys Lacrosse Booster Meeting

February 23, 2016 ♦ AHS Room 202

Attendees: Kent & Carol Zehrer, Rich & Kelly Thompson, Julie Carpenter, Jill Ojala, Luke Gellerman, Julie Foreman, Garrett & Mindy Potvin, , Kim & Lee Olson, Cory Casperson, Bob Harnett

Minutes from the January meeting were approved.

Old Business:

- Parent Info Meeting Recap: The meeting went pretty well; good to have food and beverages. Recommend having the speakers stand in the back of the room, so the servers won't need to cross in front of them. Luke tried to cover the things that usually cause the most questions. Parents appreciated the packets; lots of information to be able to refer back to. Academics and attitude are going to be the primary characteristics Luke is looking for in his players.
- 9/10 Team:
 - Eight other teams in our conference have 9/10 (or B) teams. Ours will be a true 9/10 developmental team with total of 24-30 players. If we have a very large team, we could add some extra games through MBSLA on the weekends.
 - Busing needs are yet to be determined. The game schedule is: 4:15 (9/10); 5:30 (JV); and 7:00 (Varsity). We may be able to handle the schedule with 1 bus/driver.

Luke: Check with Patti on the bus costs for the extra trips to and from school.
 - Fields: Hazelden has offered us 2 of their fields everyday, so we could rotate between them. Karen L has also got a 5:30 slot at Zachary Lane in the works.
 - ACYLA doesn't need to know the spring signups until one week after AHS tryouts. However, their season could start April 16. The 15-year old birthday cutoff is August 31, 2000 (only players born after that date are eligible to play youth). If any Freshman plays with Armstrong boys lax, they are being encouraged to sign up for youth and play all summer (no YLM restrictions this year).

Luke: Contact Jean Sawyer to confirm the final date of youth signup for Freshmen. Send to Julie to be distributed to the organization.
- Captains Practice: We will bring our own 2 nets, so we can run 4 nets in our half field: these practices are on the calendar for 4:30-6 pm at the Plymouth Creek Center dome. Weather permitting, we may be able to trade off with AHS girls on the HS field so each team gets a full field for 2 hours.
- Practices: Players have some time for homework after school. Practice schedule: 3:45 start, 4:15 on the field, 6:00 weight training, finished by 6:45. When Saturday morning practices are scheduled, they will be mandatory.

Luke/Julie C: Get all practices on the calendar.
- Pinnies/Uniforms – It has been determined that we have enough pinnies for everyone coming out for the team.

- Equipment Shack – Waiting for Patti to tell us when the shack is available so we can move equipment out of Thompsons garage.
- Pasta Feed/Flower Kickoff – 3/14, 6:30 and Choir Concert Conflict
 - Kim check on possible dates to insure flower sale is not adversely affected if we move the Pasta Feed. Julie F check with Chef JP and choir dates. Send recommendations to Julie C to discuss with Sopers. Watch the website calendar for current date and time.
- Summer Tournaments: Tabled for the Exec Committee.

New Business:

- Communications: Contacts in both Google Docs and Email Contacts
 - The Executive Committee will determine how best to handle the 2 data sets.
- Check in with Key Volunteers
 - Operations: Rich has some people lined up but Carol will look for more on-field help closer to the season. Fred P will run the clock for all three games (9/10 through Varsity); Lee O will assist on the field.

Rich: Check with Thad Lightfoot to determine if he is willing to be our announcer again.
 - Ad Book is going well – Julie F & Kelly T.
 - Booster donors will be highlighted in the program book and also on the website.
 - Concessions all set – Jill will arrive early and set up. Volunteers will work 5-8 pm to be able to offer the 9/10 players dinner.

Financial Report [Kent Zehrer]:

- Approve budget: The group reviewed the 2016 budget, voted and approved it as presented.
 - Possible minimal addition to the expenses would be the visit to St. John's: April 8 bus to Collegeville for a scrimmage against another high school team; then stay to watch the Johnnies play. This could be a self-funded trip with players kicking in \$10 for buses.
- Additional insurance has been purchased to cover the organization. We purchased an additional used helmet to rent, and deposits included winter league and alumni game.

Kent and Lee: Complete the audit soon.

Coach's Report:

- Coaches status: Adding Colin Cahill for a late season volunteer goalie coach. We will have four JVV (Gellerman, Murphy, Jacobson, and Cotch) and four 9/10 (Ojala, Roen, Weckwerth, K. Knott). Coach Weckwerth is also going to be the strength and conditioning coach to work on injury prevention.
- Captains registrations:
 - Someone may need to help collect \$\$ at the 2/29 practice.

Kent: Check on registrations in Google Docs and Paypal. Forward to Julie C.

Next Meeting:

TBD

2015-2016 Volunteer Chairs

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Communications & Website Administrator	<u>Mark Lucas</u>
Event Planning:	
○ Parent Meeting: Tue., 2/9	<u>Julie Carpenter</u>
○ Players Pasta Feed & Flower Sale Kickoff:	<u>Mike Soper</u>
○ Player/Parent Season Kickoff: Sat., 4/9	<u>Mindy Potvin</u>
○ ACYLA night: Thu., 5/5	<u>Mark Lucas</u>
○ Senior Recognition Night: Wed., 5/18	<u>Vicki Shapiro</u>
○ Year-End Celebration	<u>Mindy Potvin</u>
Fundraising:	
○ Spring Flower Sale: pickup Sat., 5/7	<u>Kim Olson/Christi Lutgen/Leslie Piazza</u>
○ Concessions	<u>Jill Ojala & Laurie Ripplinger</u>
○ Basketball Tourney Fundraiser	<u>Karla Casperson</u>
Dick's Shopping Day	<u>Kim Olson</u>
Picture Day (4/12) Coordinator & Program Book	<u>Kelly Thompson & Julie Foreman</u>
Apparel	<u>Sandy Pofert & Robin Smothers</u>
Away Game Sandwich Orders	<u>Joan Evans</u>
Volunteer Coordinator	<u>Carol Zehrer</u>
9/10 Team Coordinator	<u>(Determined after teams are chosen)</u>
Off-Season Leagues	_____
Summer Tournaments	<u>Lee Olson</u>
AHS Window Display	<u>Laurie Ripplinger & Jill Ojala</u>
Field Reservations	<u>Karen Lysne</u>
Field Set Up	<u>J.P. Foreman</u>
Twitter Feed	<u>Jim Borowick (Varsity only); Open (JV); Open (9/10)</u>
Booster Club Meeting Notes	<u>Carol Zehrer</u>
Photography at Games	<u>Laurie Borowick; Julie Foreman</u>