Meeting minutes for Monday, Oct. 3, 2016, 6:30 PM

Board Members:

Present:
Gemma Abbott, Tony Albertina, Mike Bailey, Archie Beaton, Peter Daut, Peter Fitzgerald Michael Fleming, Lynn Gerbec, Lynn Merrill, Shaun O’Leary, Peter Forker, Dave Rapasadi, Michelle Sebastian, Mike Spears, Mike Thuma, Tom Wood

Absent: Joe Edell, Tom Richter

Quorum present? Yes

Others Present: Kristen Murray – US Lacrosse Board of Directors - Chair

Proceedings:
Meeting called to order at 6:40 p.m. by Chris Griffith

The US Lacrosse Illinois Chapter members introduced themselves and the meeting started. A discussion about meeting locations to accommodate the board members was had and efforts will be made to move the upcoming meetings around the Chicago land area to cut down on driving time. Chris gave an overview of the US Lacrosse meeting Chris and Lynn attended in September. The points made at the US Lacrosse meeting were as follows:

1. Fuel Growth of the sport through local chapter growth
2. Drive local chapter visibility at local events
3. Support local lacrosse organizations
4. Regional US Lacrosse position being added by November 1st
5. Local chapters will operate by US Lacrosse by-laws

A formal call to approve the executive members of the board was called. President – Chris Griffith, Vice President – Lynn Merrill, Treasurer – Peter Forker, Secretary – Peter Daut
Voting was by show of hands and all positions were unanimously approved.
Financial –

Treasurer gave brief outline of current bank finances and proposed funding by US Lacrosse
A Budget discussion was had and board members are asked to submit budget items for review and approval. Budget to be reviewed at next meeting.

Education -

A discussion about chapter educational goals and time lines were discussed. Focus is to create active outreach programs to provide greater chapter visibility in the following areas: Coaching, Officiating and School educational opportunities. Illinois chapter will facilitating these clinics beginning in Q1 2017.

Communications –

A discussion on expectations for good chapter communications was started. Social media is a main focus to reach our members and provide visibility.
Illinois Chapter Website, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter
Illinois Chapter Newsletter

Committee Reports –

A discussion on the various committees available was discussed and committee assignments for board members was made.

Coach Development - Fitzgerald: Albertina, Thuma, O’Leary, Gerbec: Sebastian

Officials Development - Montgomery: Beaton, Richter

Fuel The Growth of Lacrosse/Support Local Lacrosse Organizations – (Community Outreach)
Forker: Edell, Gerbec, Rapasadi, Spears, Thuma

Chapter Visibility (Communications) - Daut: Abbott, Fleming, O’Leary, Rapasadi

· Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Agenda Attached
Illinois Chapter Board Meeting Agenda  
October 3, 2016  
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

- Welcome, Introductions, Meeting Objective

- US Lacrosse
  - US Lacrosse – Who are we? What do we do?  
  - What is a Chapter? Purpose? Values?

- Chapter Operation and Administration
  - Operate by US Lacrosse Chapter By-Laws  
  - Hold Six or More Board Meetings Annually  
  - Record & Communicate Chapter Board Meeting Minutes & Notes  
  - Financial Requirements & Best Practices  
  - Term Limits  
  - Succession Planning  
  - Volunteer Recruitment

- Overview of Chapter Relationship With the Local Lacrosse Community
  - Deliver Education and Training Programs  
  - Support Local Lacrosse Organizations  
  - Fuel the Growth of the Sport  
  - Drive Chapter Visibility

- Chapter relationship with US Lacrosse (USL)
  - Chapter Certification  
  - Constituent Support Budget (CSB)  
  - Quarterly Call  
  - Attend US Lacrosse Chapter Leadership Conference  
  - Chapter Expectations/Interactions with Other US Lacrosse Department
• **New Business**
  - Formal Vote on IL Chapter Officers (P, VP, T, S)
  - Brief Financial Update/Budget Process
  - Discuss/Finalize Committee Assignments

• **New Business**
  - Board Members Express Goals for Chapter and IL Lacrosse Community
  - Identify Committee Action Items (See Also 2016-2017 Gen’l Description of Committee Activities)
    - Coach Development
    - Official Training
    - Communications
    - Community Outreach
  - Due Dates for Each Action Item

• **Closing**
  - Meeting Minutes & Notes (Post to Website)
  - Determine Next Steps
  - Determine Next Meeting Date/Time (Early November)