

Nathan Hale Boys Lacrosse Club parents/players:

The WSBLA board Board voted to move Nathan Hale Boys lacrosse from Division 1 to Division 2 for the 2007 season. The major reason for this shift is the lack of sufficient players to field a NH Junior Varsity team.

Prior to this decision we communicated with the Board President representing all our opinions and concerns.

It is extremely important that we do not allow this decision to discourage the momentum we have in developing an outstanding program. We need to communicate the message of opportunity especially to our players.

We can have a very successful season. All the elements were are looking to create in the overall program can still be in place- a great experience, skill development. teamwork, fun, and winning games. Division 2 has many highly competitive teams. We will still need to work hard to win games. I will work with the Roosevelt team to assemble at least one game so we can sustain the friendly rivalry contest.

I am forwarding the agenda from the Saturday, Sept. 30 league meeting and will provide a quick summary of information shared, decisions made and actions required.

Decisions:

- 1) Eastside was reinstated with voting rights
- 2) Eastside was given 1 more year to determine new name and acquire jerseys
- 3) The appeal from the 3 Eastside players on remaining on the Eastside team rather than going to the new Northshore team FAILED to receive the 2/3 majority required to pass the appeal.

Actions:

- 1) We need to send in notification about our intent to have a JV team for the upcoming year. My assumption is that we will reply in the affirmative.
- 2) We need to notify the schedule maker of any black-out dates (days we cannot play games) by November 1st. These could include Proms, Test Days, Religious holidays, etc. Please help me identify these.

Information:

Division II will have a 14 game season

Practices start February 26th.

The league is looking for more people who might be referees. they are offering an incentive of \$100 per official (payable to the team) for officials that ref at least 10 games. This is on top of the officials game compensation.

I talked with the Roosevelt Coach and Club President. They are very excited about one or two North Seattle Rivalry games. Perhaps one at the beginning of the season and a second at either spring break or at the end.

Our Division this year:

Blanchet
Eastside Catholic
Mukiteo
North County (Blaine)
Northshore
Overlake
San Juan
Sammamish
Snohomish
Stanwood
Whatcom

Mark on your calendars January 27th and 28th for a US Lacrosse regional convention to be held at Seattle Pacific University. There will be lots for everyone (players, coaches, parents).

A couple of great coaches clinics coming up. October 28th Notre Dame coach Kevin Corrigan will lead a session for youth and a second session for high school coaches. On December 9th US lacrosse will be hosting a coaching certification session.

There is other information on the agenda. Please take a look.

Go Hale,

Kelly Malone

