

Nathan Hale LaCrosse Meeting Minutes – October 4th, 2006

Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m. – in attendance- Kelly Malone, Richard Strickland, Glen Harvey, Glen Osborne, Kevin Larson, Kim Allen (Arndt), Ellen Hofman (Harkey), Stan Boone

- Stan Boone reviewed flyers sent in the mail from prospective colleges looking for players.
- **Fund Raiser**-car wash. Thanks extended to everyone. Car wash was successful in raising money as well as team building. A thank-you note will be sent by K. Allen to “Top Pot Donuts”, the Dickson family for donating several dozen donuts that were sold at the car wash. K. Allen will contact Sandi Mann at N.H. to place a thank-you in the daily bulletin for supporting the N.H. Lacrosse team car wash.
- **Sports Booster**- Kevin Larson has been attending Sports Booster meetings representing both Wrestling and Lacrosse. The Booster committee would like one parent representative for each sport individually. The committee meets the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in the N.H. staff lounge across from the office. Kelly Malone will attend the meetings for now until a parent representative volunteers. Stan Boone will attend as coach representative.
- **Increase in field fees** – Kelly Malone received a letter from the city, citing the need to increase field fees. There will be hearing held by the city council Oct. 11th at 5:30 p.m. and Oct. 30th at 5:30 p.m. at the city council site. N.H. Lacrosse paid \$232.00 last year in field fees. The increase would potentially double the fees. Stan Boone introduced the fact that other school sponsored sports don’t pay field fees and since N.H. Lacrosse is affiliated with the schools, the fees should not apply. Stan Boone will investigate the situation and contact the school Athletic Director, Emerson Davis.
- **League Meeting** – on Saturday, Oct. 6th at Seattle Pacific University- Kelly Malone will attend. Decision from the league to create a new Northshore team. Voting issues to be discussed include grandfathering players to the existing Eastside team. The eastside coach has voiced objections in a letter sent out to all voting parties.
- **Coach Search** – 3 main candidates discussed – Kelly will send e-mails to the prospective candidates and their references. A another interested person has e-mailed Kelly interested in coaching defense, he is not interested in the head coach position. Discussion centered around standardized questions to ask prospective candidates.
 1. What do they see as their future in this program?
 2. How would you handle discontented players or issues w/ players?
 3. Coaching philosophy & most important function of Head Coach?
 4. Their expectation of assistant coaches and parents.
 5. Timeline for moving out here – for those out of states.

Kelly voiced that he has spoken with all the candidates about how much commitment is expected regarding being present for all practices and games and length of the season.

Glen Osborne brought up the option of a probationary period for the coach.

Glen Harvey suggested having the candidates send videos of their games.

Stan Boone suggested bringing back some graduated Hale students to act as assistant coaches with the idea of them progressing to head coach in future years to facilitate a continued connection with Nathan Hale .

- **Player Recruitment** – Stan Boone reported that 7 students have turned in athletic forms indicating intent to play spring Lacrosse.

Kelly Malone will check on other small private schools interested in learning about the Nathan Hale Lacrosse team. The feeder schools for N.H. are Ingraham, Summit, Middle College, U.Prep and Shoreline Christian.

Need to make informative posters for posting at prospective schools – including U.Prep- more discussion on this at the next meeting.

Suggestion brought up for a Lacrosse Scrimmage Day for alumni and current players on the Friday before Thanksgiving, November 17th. Pre-season meeting for the parents at the same time. More discussion around this at the next Lacrosse meeting, including posters and publicity in the daily bulletin.

New motion brought forward to keep registration fee \$175.00 until the Scrimmage and parent meeting on Nov 17th and to increase the fee after that date to reflect the 2007 rate of \$200.00. Motion passed.

There will be a separate check of \$125.00, for a uniform deposit, due at the time the uniforms are handed out. No check-no uniform. Checks will be held until the uniform is returned at the end of the season.

Ellen Hofman (Harkey) will call Fredrika to get registration forms and the draft will be sent to Richard Strickland who will post it on the N.H Lacrosse website.

There needs to be a line for scholarships – indicating need for scholarship or additional monetary donation earmarked for scholarship.

Scholarship – expectations need to be discussed. Budget is limited at this time.

We may not be able to scholarship fully. General expectation of involvement of the player and parents.

The player who recruits the most players – will be awarded a new helmet donated by Marla Malone.

- **Other Business** – Need to develop an informational network to access alumni for donation of used gear for incoming players.

Stan Boone clarified that the school colors are crimson and navy.

Next meeting November 1st, Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the N.H Teachers lounge across from the office.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.