A meeting of the Lacrosse Committee was held on Friday, May 31, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the MPA Office.

MEMBERS PRESENT: James Black and Eric Klein.

LIAISON PRESENT: Linda Levesque.

LIAISONS ABSENT: Don Glover, Gary Gorman, Barbara Snapp, and Anita Thomas.

GUEST: Jeff Howes.

STAFF PRESENT: Michael Burnham.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: On a MOTION by Black/Klein, the minutes of the December 5, 2018 meeting were UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

CORRESPONDENCE: The lacrosse correspondence was reviewed and placed on file.

REVIEW OF HEAL POINTS/TOURNAMENT BRACKETS: The Lacrosse Heal Points and tournament brackets were reviewed and will be finalized once all of the games have been played.

REVIEW OF SITE PACKET/SCHOOL MEMO: The 2019 Site Packet and School Memorandum were reviewed and updated.

COACHES’ REPORT: Ms. Levesque reported the following:

- There was an issue securing the list of coaches that attended the mandatory rules clinics.
- The new Self-Start Rule has been a nice addition to the game.
- The officials have worked hand-in-hand with the coaches to explain the new rules.
- Coaches appreciate that the MPA extended the season.
- Concerned about the timing of the NFHS Rules Questionnaire and the lack of participation by coaches and officials.

OFFICIALS’ REPORT: Mr. Howes reported the following:

- With the difficult Spring weather, he was able to work closely with schools as schedules were changed.
- The MLOA has created a “year-round portal” for new officials that will also include a section for junior officials.
- The officials would like to recognize the passing of long-time lacrosse official Walter Farmer at the state games.

NFHS REPORT: No report.
TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS: Jeff Howes and Tom Perkins will assign the officials for all of the state championship games.

EJECTION REPORTS/SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD: Voting for sportsmanship will take place next week and the winners will be invited to receive the sportsmanship banner at any championship game.

OTHER: The following item was also discussed:

- **Regional Championship Games**: The possibility of the regional games moving to a neutral site, with the MPA hosting the games, was tabled to the next meeting.

NEXT MEETING AGENDA: The following items will be included on the next agenda:

- Regional Championships
- Election of Chair

NEXT MEETING DATE: The next meeting of the Lacrosse Committee was scheduled for Thursday, October 10, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the MPA office.

ADJOURNMENT: On a MOTION by Black/Klein, and VOTED UNANIMOUSLY, the meeting adjourned at 10:39 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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