



Ruthann Cantile Named Director of Club Sports



A little history about me: I grew up in Cheboygan, MI. I played four sports in high school (soccer, volleyball, softball, and hockey) and continued playing and coaching club hockey in college at Western Michigan University where we won a National title in 1998 in Lake Placid, NY and I earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education. I coached/managed at many levels and have been in on the ground floor for several of these programs.

I was the youngest NCAA DI head women's hockey coach at Bemidji State University and I coached at Minnesota State University as well. I've coached both of my kids, Mariah (24) and JD (17) in their various sports. I earned a Master Degree in Sport Administration in 2006, and in 2010 I began my own financial consulting business. I am a passionate, self-driven, competitive spirit that aspires to bring students with the same qualities to Lake Superior State University and provide them with the opportunity to play the sport they love.

As Director of Club Sports my goal is to bring exposure to the university. I plan to comb the region looking for the most qualified coaches and student-athletes to fit the culture of LSSU. By cultivating strong relationships and creating a bond with these folks awareness, participation, pride, and funding become present and strengthen the community. We are actively looking for coaches for our Men's and Women's Hockey teams, which will begin competing this fall. We will announce the additional sports we will be offering as our 5-year plan begins to take shape. Right now, the focus is on Men's and Women's ice hockey.

Alumni have the opportunity to get involved as advocates for this project! Anyone who has a passion for this initiative should contact me at 507-304-1093. We are creating a group made up of members that would like to be actively involved with the club sport initiative. This group would come together to bring ideas to the table for fun social events, support awareness, and donate their time and talents to club sports.