



# PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE

## December 3<sup>rd</sup> 2012 Minutes - Youth

**Attendees:** Beth McLucas (Acting Chair, 1st Vice chair, Head Commissioner, and U12 Commissioner), Brad Hara (2nd Vice chair), Trish Keizer (Secretary), Tricia Rachfall (U16 Commissioner), Mary Clare (U19 Commissioner), Adanacs – Randy Radonich, Burnaby – Trevor Webber, Delta – Angie Schwan, Langley – Jason Kump, New West – Dirk Rachfall, POCO – Derek Milani, Richmond – Ceayon Johnston, Ridge Meadows – Tim Hawke, Surrey – Cal Davies, and Vancouver – Mike O'Connor

**Absent:** Brenda Bromley (Treasurer), Karen Peterson (Registrar), Jody Weatherby (Head Referee), Leah MacKenzie (U8 Commissioner), Roger Paterson (U10 Commissioner), Tracy Dolbec (U14 Commissioner), Mission, North Shore, and Valley

**Call to Order:** 7:04 p.m.

### **Review and acceptance of the November 5<sup>th</sup> minutes:**

- Motion: Angie Schwan
- Seconded by: Trevor Webber
- Carried

### **Reports**

#### **Chair:**

- 2014 BC Summer Games will be held on the Island
  - 6 zones to be represented
- BCLA office will be closed December 17th through January 2nd
- Nationals
  - drug testing can be done at anytime
    - Coaches, trainers, managers, players...
  - working on a protocol
  - CCES
    - lacrosse is on the radar
    - advise all teams
- BCLA will be running an anti-bullying competition (creating a YouTube video)
- if a team has an issue with a ref
  - team personnel should contact their club president/PCFLL rep and cc commissioners
    - in turn will bring this to the attention of Lee Brien
      - will not deal with coaches/managers

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice – Chair:** Nothing to report

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice – Chair:**

- the Girls season will wrap up December 8<sup>th</sup>
  - except for make-up games
- Team BC
  - Girls went to Florida (U19)

- President's Cup
    - successful recruitment showcase
      - interest from many colleges and universities
  - February tournament
    - 5 U12 and 6 U15 teams (PG included with U15s)
      - not hopeful of Island
  - a school in England would like to come in mid-July
    - Burnaby is willing to host if they come
  - will be running a program, with coaches, starting January 10<sup>th</sup> (Thursdays) 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. and January 12<sup>th</sup> (Saturdays) 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
    - open to everybody
    - drills and practices
    - could have exhibition games
    - with the time, could divide into divisions
    - may run ads in the newspaper to get interest from new players
    - hoping for American teams to come up from time to time
    - lots of field time available for exhibition games

**Treasurer:** Absent

**Registrar:** Absent

- registration forms must be checked before submitting
  - many with missing information

**Secretary:** Nothing to report

**Head Referee:** Absent

### Commissioners Reports

**Head Commissioner:**

- deadline for declarations is December 14th

**U8:** Absent

**U10:** Absent

**U12:**

- some reschedules

**U14:** Absent

**U16:**

- teams that do not declare will be placed in a 'pool'
  - bottom 3 very weak
  - 2 in the middle
- regarding Provincials
  - 5 teams usually go from the PCFL
  - 2 from the Island
  - 1 from the Interior
    - Prince George considered a development team will take a PCFL spot

- Interior usually declares Tier 2
- Tier 1 Provincials will run Saturday through Monday
  - new format
  - teams will leave Sunday night (those that do not make it to the crossover)

#### **U19:**

- Burnaby folded over the week-end
  - looking for teams to place players

#### **Club Reports**

#### **Adanacs:**

- information regarding 'problem' coaches is now being forwarded to associations
- serious accident during the Seattle tournament
- December 11<sup>th</sup> will have an executive meeting
  - after the meeting, will meet with coaches to discuss how to develop U8 and U10s

#### **Burnaby:**

- U19s folded
- U14 Tier 2s tiered up to Tier 1
  - will appeal the decision
  - not clear on what the policy is for tiering up or down
    - should have a policy in place
    - should tell a team that they may be tiered up or down
      - should give an explanation as to why they are being moved
      - this would give a team a chance to respond
      - can appeal the decision to the league executive
    - may need to put a policy in place
      - to clarify the process for tiering up or down
- Interest in hosting the U8 Jamboree next season
- December 16<sup>th</sup> field is available to anyone for make-up games
- received an email from a Kelowna U14 head coach
  - declaring for Provincials
    - looking to play some exhibition games
      - can go ahead if all players are registered with the BCLA

#### **Delta:**

- second teams are on the bottom end of tiers
  - hurting morale and hard to develop players
    - not good lacrosse
    - need to do something
  - suggestion to put all 1<sup>st</sup> out teams at Tier 1
  - could make a pool for non-declared teams
- Kitimat contacted Delta to play exhibition games
  - not registered with the BCLA
    - cannot play them as a result
- mentoring refs, with Jody's help
  - help improving refs

**Langley:**

- awarded Nationals (Senior Men's) during next Thanksgiving week-end
- question of whether the PCFLL will have a 3-man ref system at the U16 and U19 levels
  - response: problem with making this a policy
    - finances and shortage of refs
  - can ask this at the PCFLL AGM
    - can then be voted on

**Mission:** Absent

**New West:**

- all good

**North Shore:** Absent

**Poco:**

- good

**Richmond:**

- tournament went well
  - good response
  - U8 Jamboree went well, too

**Ridge Meadows:**

- U12 Tier 1 won silver in Seattle

**Surrey:**

- apology for double-booking the field
- U12 and U16 teams in Seattle
  - had a good time

**Valley:** Absent

**Vancouver:** Nothing to report

**New Business**

- Seattle tournament next year
  - reminder in September
    - U16 Adanacs injury
    - permits not submitted at least 14 days prior to the tournament will be declined
      - the only exception is if it is a last minute 'one-off'
  - suggest the Field Directorate look at insurance issues and injury
    - conduct of players
    - game sheets
- Adanacs
  - set-up a process to review the commissioners' package
    - eg. what is the process when a coach receives a suspension?
    - what is the process for appeal?
      - response: when a decision is made, the next step is to appeal to the Field Directorate
      - the commissioners' package gets discussed and handed out in May to only commissioners

**Adjournment: @ 8:44 p.m.**

- Motion: Mike O'Connor
- Seconded by: Jason Kump
- Carried

**Next meeting scheduled for: Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup> 2013 @ 7:00 p.m.**