

# PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE 2017 AGM Minutes – Girls and Youth April 22, 2017

Attendees: Chris Comeault (Chair), Jason Kump (1<sup>st</sup> Vice chair), Kellie Ohlmann (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice chair), Trish Keizer (Secretary), Lynda Callard (Treasurer/Registrar), Jody Weatherby (RIC), Sydney Hara – Head Umpire, Randy Radonich – Adanacs Girls and Youth, Trevor Webber – Burnaby Girls and Youth, Peter Moffatt – Chilliwack, Darcy Phillips – Delta, Carol Soenen – New Westminster Girls, Sherie Isbister – New Westminster Youth, Jim Dunnett – Mission, Ceayon Johnston – Richmond, Cal Davies – Surrey Girls and Youth, David Goulet – Valley, Mike O'Connor – Vancouver, and Dirk Rachfall – Field Directorate Chair

**Absentees:** Langley Girls and Youth, North Shore, Port Coquitlam Girls and Youth, and Ridge Meadows Girls and Youth

**Call to Order:** @ 10:03 a.m.

# Acceptance of the minutes from the last AGM:

Motion: Trevor WebberSeconded by: David Goulet

Carried

# Business arising from the minutes:

none

# Acceptance of the agenda:

Motion: Trevor WebberSeconded by: Jason Kump

Carried

# **Reports**

Chair: See attached

1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chair: See attached

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice - Chair: See attached

Treasurer: See attached

Registrar: See attached

question on whether the numbers are up or not

# RIC: See attached

- consensus feel the idea of an allocator is a good idea
  - o not enough refs if we did not have an allocator
- Jody would like to suggest using Arbiter for U13 U18
  - cost involved
    - \$25.00 one-time administration cost
    - \$5.00/referee
      - costs already covered
  - Jody would like to be the allocator
    - possibly get someone else to be the RIC
- associations need to put more effort into getting refs rather than relying on Jody

Women's Officials: See attached

# **Commissioners Reports**

Head Commissioner: See attached

Girls: See attached

- Carol Soenen comment regarding the unbalanced U12 teams
  - o partially due to the wide age gap
    - eg 8 years olds (and younger) playing with the older girls
    - having a U8 division may resolve this

**U7:** See attached

U9: See attached

**U11:** See attached

U13: See attached

**U15:** See attached

**U18:** See attached

# **Operating Policy Amendments:**

- See attached
- Motion: Any housekeeping items should be pushed through (similar to what was done at the Field Directorate Special Session)
  - Motion put forward by: Randy Radonich
  - o Seconded by: Trevor Webber
  - o Carried

# **Election of PCFLL Executive:**

- Chair
  - PCFLL executive nominate Trish Keizer
  - o no other nominations
  - o secretary to cast one ballot
  - o carried
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice chairperson
  - o PCFLL executive nominate Kellie Ohlmann
  - no other nominations
  - secretary to cast one ballot
  - o carried
- Treasurer
  - o PCFLL executive nominate Lynda Callard
  - no other nominations
  - secretary to cast one ballot
  - o carried
- with Trish Keizer taking on the position of Chair, a new secretary will be needed
  - o all associations to see if they have someone who can step up
    - initial duties would be attending League meetings, take minutes, and post minutes to the website

# **New Business**

- Bursary
  - o this year's winner is Mark Sund from the Adanacs
- Girls Field Lacrosse Coaching Clinic Carol Soenen
  - o would like the PCFLL to have a girls' field coaching clinic
    - something similar already done with officials
  - o see if Dan Stroup could bring in Scott Teeter
    - maybe at the end of August
  - o Dirk Rachfall suggests Carol contact Jason Bishop (FD Girls' Coaches Vice chair)
  - o asked to submit a budget proposal
    - FD has a meeting in June
      - submit proposal then
  - o Kellie Ohlmann suggests all coaches attend the umpires' clinic in September
    - familiarizes them with the rules
- Rust Removal Randy Radonich
  - o in late August
  - o open to everyone
  - o there may be a nominal cost

Adjournment: @ 12:13 p.m.

Motion: Trevor WebberSeconded by: Peter Moffatt

Carried

# 2016/2017 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE - CHAIR'S REPORT

I would like to thank the PCFLL Executive for their work this past season.

1ST Vice Jason Kump

2nd Vice Kellie Ohlmann

Secretary and Head Commissioner Trish Keizer

Treasurer and Registrar Lynda Callard

Our Head Referee Jody Weatherby and Head Umpire Sydney Hara

Schedulers Beth McLucas and Shona Wallace.

Plus all of our commissioners U7 – Brian Borkowsky U9 – Roger Paterson U11 – Regina Villenueva U13 – Ceayon Johnston U15 – Trish Keizer U18 – Mary Clare Female – Beth McLucas

The season started promising with many teams in all divisions male and female except for the U19 Girls division. We did not expect to be hit with what was to come.

The disruption caused by the continuing snow fall and cold weather was not something I can remember having to deal with in past years causing canceling of regular season play, Jamborees, Provincial Championships and Provincial Tournaments. Many hours of planning for these events went for not. With the Female Provincials, we were excited to see the U12 and U15 Divisions were to be tiered for the first time. Plans are underway to further promote growth in the younger ages. Kellie and Sydney are working on game format and possible age divisions to help grow the numbers under U12. Plus based on the current birth years of registered girls we should have a U19 Division this year if players return. Exhibition games with girls' teams from the Island continued this season and will again next season.

The Youth U9 Jamboree was played during one of the only two weekends in January when we had a break from the snow. A big thank you to Sherie Isbister for organizing this successful event. The U11 Tournament then followed in February and saw a snow free weekend. The format of the U11 event will be looked at by the PCFLL at our AGM. There has been a policy change submitted to adopt this format for the coming season. This would help players that are new to the field game develop and also players with less skill have fun competitive games and not be on the bottom side of a 15 to 1 score. With the numbers growing in the U13 Division it may be time for clubs to consider a third tier for that division also and place more focus on developing new and less experienced players and keep them in the game with less emphasis on trying to win the last spot in the Provincials. This may also reduce team movement in U11 and U13 from Tier 1 and Tier 2 which can tend to be a difficult process.

Chris Comeault PCFLL Chair

# 2016/2017 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE - 1st VICE CHAIR'S REPORT

The PCFLL had a shortened season due to long cold winter - with no Provincials being held. Hopefully, this does not discourage any players or volunteers moving forward. If we can take anything from the shortened season, it will be using September and October (traditionally milder months) to capitalize on them by doubling up on games and maximizing field times whenever possible.

We are still in need of volunteers for all levels of play and from all associations. Please get the word out so we can have a diverse representation from all the associations. The PCFLL appreciates each and every volunteer for making the PCFLL run efficiently.

The PCFLL would like to thank the hard work and dedication of Chris Comeault his contribution. He has been of great value and wish him well going forward.

Jason Kump PCFLL 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair

# 2016/2017 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE - 2nd VICE CHAIR'S REPORT

# U12 Girls

This season we continued to see growth at the U12 level. We had 9 teams in this division.

Langley, Ridge Meadows 1 & 2, Coquitlam 1 & 2, New Westminster 1 & 2, Surrey 1 & 2

2015/2016 - 8 teams

2014/2015 - 6 teams

2013/2014 - 4 teams

#### U15 Girls

The U15 division remained unchanged in the number of teams over last season, with 8.

Port Coquitlam, Burnaby, New Westminster, Langley, Ridge Meadows, Coquitlam 1 & 2 and Surrey.

2015/2016 - 8 teams

2014/2015 - 5 teams

2013/2014 - 5 teams

#### U19 Girls

We continue to struggle in acquiring sufficient numbers of registered players in this age group to enable them to play full field games with multiple teams in the division.

This season, the players were required to only pay the insurance portion of their registration fees, and there were no releases for this age group. All players were invited to attend skill development sessions.

Thanks to Geordie Dean & Dennis Santucci for organizing and running these sessions for our U19 players.

Our pre-season Umpire clinic was held September 16 & 17. There were 23 umpires in attendance; 12 returning and 11 new. The in-class portion of the clinic was held at Douglas College (as we had too many attendees for the BCLA office).

Langley hosted games on the 17th of September to enable the new umpires to complete their on-field portion of the umpire clinic.

6 U12 teams, played 3 games each

4 U15 teams, played 2 games each

Historically the umpire clinic has been held the first weekend of the season, feedback was that this timing is preferred. Therefore enabling the teams to start their season with a full game (as opposed to mini games as in the past).

September 17th New Westminster hosted the 'bring a friend' recruitment event.

The girls' season began September 24th.

Lots of planning went into inviting teams from Nanaimo & Pac Rim to come to the mainland for exhibition games. Ridge Meadows, New Westminster & Langley offered to host. Unfortunately – the weather was not cooperative and the scheduled exhibition games were cancelled due to field and turf closures.

However, a couple of teams did travel to

Kelowna added a girls' clinic to their Jamboree held in September – lower mainland teams were invited to attend.

Langley 7v7 – 5th annual.

This was the first year that the 7v7 was not held on the Thanksgiving weekend. This did not seem to affect registration. This year two umpires were scheduled for each game. It is recommended we continue this practice.

2016 - 28 teams (9 U12, 15 U15, 4 U19); 50 games.

2015 - 22 teams

2014 - 17 teams

No games were held thanksgiving weekend.

November there was a jamboree held in Ridge Meadows for the U12 girls teams.

The Richmond Romp added the U15 women's division to their tournament this season. Teams from Nanaimo, Pac Rim, Langley, New West and Seattle area attended.

This season was plagued with weather related turf closures. Five weeks of games were cancelled due to snow covered turf.

Nanaimo and Pac Rim both declared teams for the Provincial Tournament this year, enabling the tournament to be a true Provincial Tournament. The schedule was created, and the teams were going to be tiered. Unfortunately due to the snow covered turfs in Burnaby and New Westminster – the women's provincial tournament was cancelled.

Thanks to Shona Wallace, for all of the scheduling of games and umpires you did this past season. Thanks to Sydney Hara, our certified clinician, our head umpire. Sydney once again ran our umpire clinic this season, as well as provided me with regulation clarification on many occasions. Sydney continues to be a great asset to our umpires.

Thanks to Chris Comeault for all of the behind the scenes organizing he did to help make the exhibition games between Nanaimo, Pac Rim & the PCFLL teams closer to becoming a reality.

Once again, I would like to invite the coaches and parents to attend the annual PCFLL umpire clinic. Even if you are not interested in becoming an umpire. The additional information and clarification that you get from the clinic is extremely informative in helping to better understand the game. On field set up of minor and major fouls as well as examples of what those fouls look like – are all great tools (plus you get a rule book).

Thanks to our umpires, you all did a great job this season. Thanks for your commitment. Hope to see many of you back in the fall. For those umpires who are graduating this year, and starting your university experience in the fall – congratulations and thank you.

Thanks to all of the executive members, commissioners, female and youth reps for your help in making this season a success for our players.

Kellie Ohlmann
PCFLL 2nd Vice Chair

# 2016/2017 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE - TREASURER'S REPORT

Please find attached the Financial Statements including a Balance Sheet and Income Statement for the Pacific Coast Field Lacrosse League for the period ending April 20, 2017.

This year the PCFLL showed a loss of \$2301.57. The cash on hand at April 20, 2017 was \$36,211.34. Outstanding items include one Commissioner's Fee of \$175, and the 2016/2017 Bursary of \$2,000. The loss was due to paying out more for teams to travel for games which amounted to a total of \$2,500.

Thank you,

Lynda Callard PCFLL- Treasurer

# PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE Balance Sheet as at April 20, 2017

# **ASSETS** TD Canada Trust Chequing Account \$ 36,211.34 Prepaid Expense **TOTAL ASSETS** \$ 36,211.34 **LIABILITIES** \$ 2,000.00 2016/2017 Bursary Commissioner Fees Payable 175.00 TOTAL LIABILITIES 2,175.00 **EQUITY Retained Earnings** Retained Earnings -Previous Year \$ 36,337.91 Net Income - Current Year (2,301.57)**TOTAL RETAINED EARNINGS** \$ 34,036.34 **TOTAL LIABILITIES** & EQUITY \$ 36,211.34

# 2016/2017 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – REGISTRAR'S REPORT

|                |               | BOYS  |               |       |                |       |                |       |                |       |                |       |                  |                |
|----------------|---------------|-------|---------------|-------|----------------|-------|----------------|-------|----------------|-------|----------------|-------|------------------|----------------|
|                | U7<br>Players | Teams | U9<br>Players | Teams | U11<br>Players | Teams | U13<br>Players | Teams | U15<br>Players | Teams | U18<br>Players | Teams | Total<br>Players | Total<br>Teams |
|                |               |       |               |       |                |       |                |       |                |       |                |       |                  |                |
| Adanacs        | 25            | 2     | 32            | 2     | 43             | 3     | 48             | 3     | 55             | 3     | 57             | 3     | 260              | 16             |
| Burnaby        |               |       | 17            | 1     | 19             | 1     | 21             | 1     | 20             | 1     |                |       | 77               | 4              |
| Chilliwack     | 10            | 1     | 18            | 1     | 17             | 1     | 14             | 1     |                |       |                |       | 59               | 4              |
| Delta          | 22            | 2     | 29            | 2     | 22             | 1     | 30             | 2     | 36             | 2     | 39             | 2     | 178              | 11             |
| Langley        | 23            | 2     | 37            | 3     | 29             | 2     | 27             | 1     | 37             | 2     | 23             | 1     | 176              | 11             |
| Mission        | 13            | 1     |               |       | 20             | 1     | 20             | 1     | 19             | 1     | 21             | 1     | 93               | 5              |
| New West       | 9             | 1     | 18            | 1     | 33             | 2     | 36             | 2     | 33             | 2     | 23             | 1     | 152              | 9              |
| North Shore    |               |       |               |       | 20             | 1     | 18             | 1     | 20             | 1     |                |       | 58               | 3              |
| PoCo           | 22            | 2     | 23            | 1     | 26             | 1     | 20             | 1     | 23             | 1     | 23             | 1     | 137              | 7              |
| Richmond       |               |       | 19            | 1     |                |       | 18             | 1     | 17             | 1     |                |       | 54               | 3              |
| Ridge          | 36            | 2     | 58            | 4     | 46             | 3     | 63             | 3     | 54             | 3     | 22             | 1     | 279              | 16             |
| Sunshine Coast |               |       |               |       | 5              |       |                |       | 4              |       |                |       | 9                | 0              |
| Surrey         | 17            | 1     | 17            | 1     | 49             | 3     | 29             | 1     | 20             | 1     | 20             | 1     | 152              | 8              |
| Valley         | 14            | 1     | 18            | 1     | 20             | 1     | 16             | 1     |                |       |                |       | 68               | 4              |
| Vancouver      |               |       | 16            | 1     | 18             | 1     | 24             | 1     | 20             | 1     | 24             | 1     | 102              | 5              |
| TOTAL          | 191           | 15    | 302           | 19    | 367            | 21    | 384            | 20    | 358            | 19    | 252            | 12    | 1854             | 106            |

|                |                | GIRLS |                |       |                |       |                  |                |  |  |
|----------------|----------------|-------|----------------|-------|----------------|-------|------------------|----------------|--|--|
|                | U12<br>Players | Teams | U15<br>Players | Teams | U19<br>Players | Teams | TOTAL<br>PLAYERS | TOTAL<br>TEAMS |  |  |
|                |                |       |                |       |                |       |                  |                |  |  |
| Adanacs        | 32             | 2     | 31             | 2     | 7              | 1     | 70               | 5              |  |  |
| Burnaby        | 26             | 1     |                |       |                |       | 26               | 1              |  |  |
| Chilliwack     |                |       |                |       |                |       | 0                | 0              |  |  |
| Delta          | 0              |       | 0              |       | 1              |       | 1                | 0              |  |  |
| Langley        | 16             | 1     | 17             | 1     | 2              |       | 35               | 2              |  |  |
| Mission        |                |       |                |       | 1              |       | 1                | 0              |  |  |
| New West       | 28             | 2     | 21             | 1     | 7              | 1     | 56               | 4              |  |  |
| North Shore    |                |       |                |       |                |       | 0                | 0              |  |  |
| PoCo           |                |       | 20             | 1     | 2              |       | 22               | 1              |  |  |
| Richmond       |                |       |                |       |                |       | 0                | 0              |  |  |
| Ridge          | 32             | 2     | 23             | 1     | 8              | 1     | 63               | 4              |  |  |
| Sunshine Coast |                |       |                |       |                |       | 0                | 0              |  |  |
| Surrey         | 24             | 1     | 21             | 1     | 1              |       | 46               | 2              |  |  |
| Valley         |                |       |                |       |                |       | 0                | 0              |  |  |
| Vancouver      |                |       |                |       |                |       | 0                | 0              |  |  |
| TOTAL          | 158            | 9     | 133            | 7     | 29             | 3     | 320              | 19             |  |  |

# 2016/2017 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE - RIC'S REPORT

This was a bizarre year...weather wise. We had more TBR's dues to wind, rain, snow and pure sub-arctic temperatures than any other year. Thanks to all the coaches, managers and referees for their patience all season long with the cancellations, then the TBR's.

There were many tournaments in 2016/17 all of which very well organized. I was the RIC for all but one which I thoroughly enjoyed. Thanks to Cam McCulloch for stepping up and taking on the role as RIC at the U11 championships.

The Ridge Tournament U9, U11 and U13. Thanks to Chris Comeault for spear-heading this tournament and all his volunteers. Nice going!

The New West Tournament U9. Thanks to Sherrie Isbister for being there all day, every day and Roger Paterson for drawing up the schedule. Well done!

The Richmond Tournament, U11, U13, U15 and U18. Thanks to Pam Mason and all the Richmond volunteers. This was a 115-game tournament so again it was huge and successful.

The foul weather did not get the U7 Jamboree completed or the provincials for that matter.

Each, and every tournament this season was very successful and it was a very good chance to teach, train and evaluate many of the referees. I, for sure, noticed a huge improvement in the referees that attended each tournament. We need to get these referees to accelerate in their talents quickly so we can use them at the higher faster divisions. Thanks to all senior referees who donated their time to assist me in the evaluations all season long.

For 3 years in a row, I have stated in my year end reports we need central allocation due to extremely low numbers of officials. We only had 3 active head referees this season so almost every club would have had trouble filling their games. I offered to do central allocation for a pilot project for the first 5 weeks. I soon realized this was not enough time and it would be an injustice to it give back to the clubs... again due to low number of referees available.

I extended this central allocation on to allocate the senior men's league. The reason for this was because PCFLL required referees on Saturday night and so did the senior league. Both leagues relied on the same pool of referees. This is another reason we need central allocation to provide referees for both leagues ... at the same time.

Having said all that, I think the PCFLL should create another position on the executive titled "Allocator". This person should allocate using the web based allocation program called Arbiter. This position should follow the senior men's business model in every way. Most of the senor officials in field are the same referees in box and they would be very used to the program without any further training. I have now put this suggestion to the referee operating committee for their input and they agree it is a now time to implement this.

Thanks
Jody Weatherby
PCFLL RIC

# 2016/2017 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE - WOMEN'S OFFICIALS' REPORT

#### 1. Numbers

- We had 23 participate in our league
- 21 of which will be able to umpire in the 2017/2018 season
- 11 are qualified for U-15 and U-12
- 12 are qualified for only U-12
- 5 started the season as level 2 umpires
- 6 more completed their season as level 1 making them eligible for level 2
- 12 completed their first season of level 1
- All clubs were represented by umpires except for Surrey and Maple Ridge

# 2. Season Notes

- The short season was extremely smooth with umpires
- Coaching umpires instead of coaching players is still a huge issue
- All clubs participated in the umpire clinic except for Surrey and Maple Ridge both of which are associations we struggle to schedule
- The Richmond tournament was an extreme disappointment for Umpires; fields weren't set up properly, no yellow balls, no umpires room, organization was unclear to them being paid
- The 7v7 tournament was a success for umpires; the timing lined up a little too close to the clinic as some were still fresh and nervous but no issues

Sydney Hara

# 2016/2017 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – HEAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

I'm sure the recurring theme with most reports will be reference to the weather. More specifically, the snow.

The PCFLL had hoped to have more weeks of play by extending the season further into December and starting in early January – 17 weeks of play. Tiering and most of the Fall Schedule went well. Early December brought snowfall after snowfall, which extended into January. We lost four weeks of play. Some associations could not play on their fields for an even longer period of time.

Due to tournaments, many teams were scrambling to get games rescheduled. Most were successful. Many thanks to the teams, field allocators, and referee allocators for working together so productively.

Unfortunately, the weather played havoc in January and early February. The U7 Jamboree had to be cancelled twice. Thank you to Valley for trying to put on a great event. The U13/U15/U18 Provincials and the BC Women's Field Lacrosse Invitational Provincial Tournament were cancelled due to snow on the fields.

On the bright side, the U9 Jamboree went smoothly in New Westminster during the week-end of January 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to Sheri Isbister for organizing this. Also, the U11 Provincial Tournament was held in Coquitlam during the week-end of February 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to the combined efforts of the Field Directorate and PCFLL for running this event. Kudos to Cal Davies (Surrey), David Goulet (Valley), and Karen Peterson (New Westminster), for helping out at the medal games.

Suspensions were down in most divisions. There were a number of suspensions from the Richmond Romp Tournament – particularly at U15 and U18. Throughout the season, there were a few banishment calls, but nothing that seemed out of the ordinary. Tracking them may have helped in the small number.

There were a few issues with rules. Some rules need to be clarified or rewritten so that they are clear and not easily misinterpreted.

My thanks to the PCFLL Executive, and to commissioners: Beth McLucas (Female), Brian Borokowsky (U7), Roger Paterson (U9), Regina Villanueva (U11), Ceayon Johnston (U13), and Mary Clare (U18) for their invaluable work and service to the PCFLL.

Respectfully,

Trish Keizer PCFLL Head Commissioner

# 2016/2017 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – FEMALE COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

This year we only had the U15 and U12 divisions.

U15 had 8 teams and U12 had 9 teams.

Female didn't have any changes this year.

One good thing was the Field Directorate had decided to tier female for provincials. But since the weather was very nice to us, we had to cancel the provincials.

The final standings are on the PCFLL website.

One issue was with too many people doing changes on the website, also with rescheduling. It was finally sorted out so that anyone doing changes had to send to everyone who needed to be informed.

One of the issue that need to be resolved is some clubs had unbalanced teams. This was at the U12 division

- Adanacs 2 went 5-3-1, 11 points where as Adanacs 1 was 1-7-0, 2 points
- New west 1 was 5-4-0, 10 points and New West 2 was 1-6-1, 3 points
- Surrey 2 was 4-3-0, 8 points and Surrey 1 was 0-7-1, 1 points

Whereas Ridge who had 2 teams seemed to manage balancing their teams better. I would strongly suggest these teams need to make sure their teams are balanced better.

Thanks
Beth McLucas
PCFLL Girl's Commissioner

# 2016/2017 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – U7 COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

In my first season as the U7 commissioner, I was able to learn a few things, and hopefully was able to share a few things with Coaches and Managers that where new to the game of Field Lacrosse.

The season started off strong, with all teams playing well. Unfortunately, as we headed into the winter break, Mother Nature decided to not play nice and we had to postpone our U7 Jamboree. After an extended winter break, due to the weather once again, we were able to get started playing with the teams that wished to continue in the new year, only to have our rescheduled U7 Jamboree cancelled. This time, it was so late in the season that there was no longer time to reschedule it. A huge thank you to the Valley group that did all that they could to make this event happen.

We started the season with 14 teams in the U7 Division and all but one wanted to carry on after the Christmas Break.

Despite the weather, I only heard good things from managers and coaches regarding the kid's experiences, which is all we can ask for.

Let's keep making the game fun for kids, keep promoting it at the youth level and let's get out there and keep growing the game of field lacrosse.

Thank you to all the managers and coaches in the U7 division for giving back to the kids in coaching and keeping them organized. It was a pleasure to work with you all.

Brian Borkowsky
U7 Commissioner

# 2016/2017 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – U9 COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

During the 2016-17 Field Lacrosse season, the first for the U9 Division, we had 19 teams from 12 Associations; with four associations having two or more teams:

- Coquitlam (2)
- New Westminster (1)
- Ridge Meadows (4)
- Burnaby
- Delta (2)
- Langley (3)
- Port Coquitlam (1)
- Surrey (1)
- Chilliwack (1)
- Vancouver (1)
- Richmond (1)
- North Vancouver (0)
- Valley (1)

The larger number of teams and associations having multiple teams is due to the fact that declarations are based on 8 on 8 play. For the most part the majority of the teams were 10 to 13 players in size, there were a lesser number of teams with 16 to 20 players. As usual the season began with coaches and referees getting used to the U9 contact rules, no issues were really encountered after the first 2 -3 weeks of game play.

With the larger number of teams and player ages (i.e., 8 & 9 year olds) it was found that it was much harder (and took a lot more games) to gauge team strengths and the effectiveness of multi team balancing. Typically a Jamboree held in the last couple weeks of the "Tiering" period provides a lot of information about the teams in a short period of time, while this was not done this season it should be considered for next season (admittedly trying to host a jamboree for 19 teams is no small feat for any association if each team is is to play two games and if only one field is available it becomes a multiday event).

During the "Tiering Period" and the remainder of the season it became evident that there were essentially 3 competitiveness levels within the Division. As done previously, teams were split into two informal Tiers and paired accordingly. There were 2 - 4 teams which were more highly skilled than the others (and 2 which were consistently superior to the rest). The remaining teams were intermediate to lower skill level they, but were fairly competitive amongst themselves. Some of the lesser skilled teams improved to a point by the end of the season where they could occasionally play competitively against some of the better teams in their tier. There was probably one team which struggled consistently during the season, but no issues were indicated with regard to a drop in team enthusiasm. The number of blow out scores (which did not always reflect necessarily on the field play) this season was not excessive but definitely higher than seen in U10 over the past several seasons, this appeared to be attributable to a higher rate of inconsistent play due to the nature of the younger age group, some coaching inexperience and possibly the smaller teams (i.e., absence of one or two skilled players could have a notable effect on competitiveness).

For the most part the team balancing done by the Associations which had multiple teams was good, again it was difficult to gauge at times.

A year end U9 Jamboree was hosted by the New Westminster in the last week of February, with all 19 teams attending. New Westminster (and all the New Westminster volunteers) as well as Sherie Ibster should be commended for her time and effort in organizing and hosting by all accounts and to Jody

Weatherby on the reffing side, it was a very well run event. We also had several U9 teams participate in the Ridge Meadows tournament, only complaint was that more U9 teams wanted to participate.

There were no suspendable infractions to players or coaches during the regular season this year, although we had a few incidents of coaches verbally abusing the referee and the other coach and some player roughness issues, all incidents were mostly minor with the affected Associations stepping up and handling the matter (successfully) internally without the need for league intervention. Weather and field closures were obviously excessive and highly unusual this year, the season was definitely affected by this.

In general there were almost no issues with regard to the level of contact in U9, both the referees and team coaching staffs appeared to manage it well. There were significantly fewer on-going general issues around refereeing this year, those that were documented mostly had to do with the training of young inexperienced refs and almost all issues again had to do with monitoring the level of contact permitted. In general many of the issues were minor and the mentoring programs implemented by many of the Associations appear to be having the desired effect.

As to the week to week housekeeping issues with this Division the main one was game sheets, while game sheets were provided in a timely matter there was one item in particular that appears to be difficult to solve: Score Sheet Quality. The quality of the score sheets was for the most part ok, but there were still issues around the filling out of the sheet, which is to be expected when you are dealing with parents and coaches that are generally new to field lacrosse. There should be more direction from the referees in assisting score keepers to fill out the game sheets properly (although I am pretty certain that many of the referees at this level didn't know how to fill it out either). Although a copy of a properly filled out game sheet was sent out to teams and Associations it was likely never made available at the field. Many of the managers were also referred as well to the tutorial provided on the PCFLL website; this did help in some cases.

Now that we are one full generation away from U10 (i.e., new coaches and parents), there were very few issues regarding the U9 format. Very few teams requested or even played a 10 on 10 game and there were no complaints regarding field size. In summary, the U9 Division seems to have figured out what it wants to be, it is clearly not at the U10 skill level. It will be interesting to see if the skill level and competitiveness changes should the U7 level develop in much the way the U8 level did.

R. Paterson PCFLL U9 Commissioner

# 2016/2017 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE - U11 COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

It truly was my pleasure to serve my first year as Commissioner for the U11 Division. Great group of coaches and kids!

Highlight of the season was the U11 Provincial Tournament Championship was held on February 18-19, 2017 at the Coquitlam Town Centre Sports Complex Fields in Coquitlam. Twenty-two teams from Vancouver Island and Metro Vancouver competed in the three U11 Divisions – Blue, Red and White.

#### Final Medal Results Blue Division:

- GOLD Ridge Meadows Burrards 1
- SILVER New Westminster Salmonbellies 1
- BRONZE Coquitlam Adanacs 1

# Final Medal Results Red Division:

- GOLD Victoria Titans
- SILVER Pacific Rim (Victoria)
- BRONZE Port Coquitlam Saints

# Final Medal results White Division:

- GOLD New Westminster Salmonbellies 2
- SILVER Langley Thunder 2
- BRONZE Delta Footmen

# **LEAGUE STANDINGS:**

# U11 Tier 1 Standings:

- 1. Adanacs 2
- 2. New Westminster 1
- 3. Ridge Meadows 1
- 4. Surrey 1
- 5. Langley 1
- 6. Burnaby 1 \*\*

# U11 Tier 2 Standings & Tiering:

- 1. Vancouver
- 2. Adanacs 3
- 3. Port Coquitlam \*
- 4. Valley \*\*\*
- 5. Ridge Meadows 2
- 6. North Shore \*\*\*
- 7. Adanacs 2
- 8. Mission \*\*\*
- 9. Ridge Meadows 3
- 10. Delta
- 11. Langley 2
- 12. New Westminster 2
- 13. Chilliwack
- 14. Surrey 2
- 15. Surrey 3

<sup>\*</sup>Port Coquitlam started the season off with 2 Teams (Port Coquitlam Tier 1 & 2) but due to players withdrawing, combined the 2 teams and remained at Tier 1. At the end of winter, they were tiered down to Tier 1.

- \*\*Burnaby was tiered up to Tier 1 after the fall schedule and remained in Tier 1 for the duration of the season.
- \*\*\*Mission, Valley & North Shore were tiered up to Tier up after the fall schedule but were tiered back down after the winter schedule.

#### **SUMMARY & RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Due to inclement weather, many games during the winter months were cancelled and not rescheduled. Many thanks to all the Managers and Coaches for their patience and understanding.

There was a big divide in the Tier 2 Division. I believe the teams in this division would have benefited from being tiered into 3 Divisions after the fall games concluded. The top 8 teams were displaced in Tier 1 yet playing against some teams proved to be not competitive enough for some skilled players & teams. The focus on the Tier 3 division should be introducing fundamental skills for the beginner players, encouragement and development.

It is my recommendation that we review and implement 3 Tiers for next season in the U11 Division after the tiering break.

In summary, I believe the U11 season was somewhat short, yet ended on a happy note with a successful Provincial Tournament Championship!

Warmest Regards,

Regina Villanueva PCFLL U11 Commissioner 2016-2017

# 2016/2017 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – U13 COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

- There were six Tier 1 teams and sixteen Tier 2 teams at the beginning of the season (See Figure 1).
- Langley 2 disbanded after the tiering schedule.
- Burnaby, North Shore, Valley and Vancouver were moved up to Tier 1 after the end of the tiering schedule bringing Tier 1 teams to ten (10), leaving twelve (12) Tier 2 teams.
- Ridge 2 and Ridge 3 were rebalanced after tiering.
- Vancouver was moved back down to Tier 2 after the fall schedule (bringing Tier 2 up to 12 teams and Tier 1 to 9 teams)
- Thirty one games were cancelled due to weather. Where possible, teams rescheduled games that were TBR'd due to participation in tournaments in Richmond and Seattle.
- There were three issues arising out of Provincials Declarations Team Rosters that were satisfactorily resolved. Lessons learned to avoid in the future:
  - Call up players were listed on roster that should have been added at coaches' meeting with supporting game sheets
  - One player that could not be identified on BCLA database as a registered player, turned out he goes by various last names. Association was advised to inform the family that the player's name on registration and game sheets needs to be consistent for insurance purposes.
  - Tier 2 players were listed on a Tier 1 roster that should have been added at coaches' meeting with supporting game sheets.
- Over the course of the season, one coach and four players were suspended.
- The following teams declared for Provincials:
  - U13 Tier 1
     Ridge Meadows 1,Adanacs 1,Surrey 1,Burnaby and New West 1 all 5 teams qualified for Provincials
  - U13 Tier 2
     Ridge 2, Ridge 3, Port Coquitlam, Richmond, Adanacs 2, Adanacs 3, Vancouver top 5 teams qualify for Provincials Ridge 3, Ridge 2, Richmond, Vancouver and Port Coquitlam qualified.
- Provincials were pre-empted by snow storms.

# Figure 1 – U13 Final Standings

| U13 Tier 1                        | U13 Tier 2        | Notes  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| *Ridge Meadows 1 *Ridge Meadows 3 |                   | Moved to Tier 1 at end of Tiering Schedule   |  |  |  |  |  |
| *Adanacs 1                        | Mission           | Moved back to Tier 2 at end of Fall Schedule |  |  |  |  |  |
| *Burnaby                          | *Ridge Meadows 2  | Ceased operations                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| *North Shore                      | *Richmond         |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Valley                            | *Vancouver        | * Qualified for Provincials                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Surrey 1                          | *Port Coquitlam   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| New Westminster 1                 | Adanacs 3         |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Delta 1                           | Chilliwack        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Langley 1                         | Delta 2           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                   | Adnanacs 2        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                   | Surrey 2          |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                   | New Westminster 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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Ceayon Johnston U13 Commissioner PCFLL

# 2016/2017 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – U15 COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

This season was exceptionally good, until the weather turned. For the most part, game sheets where filled in correctly and mailed promptly. Thank you to all of the managers for their diligence.

The season started with nineteen teams.

Tier 1: Adanacs 1, Delta 1, Langley 1, New West 1, Port Coquitlam, Ridge Meadows 1, and Surrey

Tier 2: Adanacs 2, Adanacs 3, Burnaby, Delta 2, Langley 2, Mission, New West 2, North Shore, Richmond, Ridge Meadows 2, Ridge Meadows 3, and Vancouver

Due to a misunderstanding at the declaration meeting, Poco was moved down to Tier 2. Surrey and Langley 1 struggled through the season, but it was decided to keep them at Tier 1 because they were competitive with each other and there were already enough teams at Tier 2. None of the Tier 2 teams seemed strong enough to move up, and not enough wanted to create a Tier 3.

Suspensions were up this season (10). This is a significant increase from last year. This will need to be closely monitored next year. There was one banishment call, but no, thankfully, abuse of officials calls at U15.

Many teams participated in the Richmond Romp and Space Needle tournaments. Reschedules were a challenge, but all games were played except for one. In the one case, neither team had declared for Provincials, so their score would not impact other teams.

Due to exceptionally bad weather, teams did not have an opportunity to participate in Provincials.

Issues that came up through the season, were 'misunderstanding' rules, loose interpretation of rules, and clarification of rules.

The final standings were:

Tier1: Adanacs 1, Ridge Meadows 1, Delta 1, New West 1, Surrey, and Langley 1

Tier 2: Port Coquitlam, Mission, Adanacs 3, North Shore, Ridge Meadows 3, Richmond, New West 2, Ridge Meadows 2, Burnaby, Adanacs 2, Vancouver, Delta 2, and Langley 2

Respectfully,

Trish Keizer PCFLL U15 Commissioner

# 2016/2017 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – U18 COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

We began the season with 13 teams: 3 Adanacs, 2 Delta, Richmond, Mission, Port Coquitlam, New Westminster, Langley, Ridge Meadows, Surrey and Vancouver. Richmond folded once again early in the season.

The top Adanacs team, the top Delta team, Langley, New West, Port Coquitlam and New Westminster formed the Tier 1 division, but after tiering it was mutually decided to drop Port Coquitlam to tier 2 where they would be more competitive. The rest provided Tier 2 play.

There was a concern regarding team movement. A team declared Tier 1 and was moved to Tier 2 WITHOUT winning a game, and then played in Tier 2 and only won one game. By having points awarded to them when dropped from Tier 1, they almost made it to Provincials where they wouldn't have been competitive at all.

At the end of season play, and despite losing several games to snow and ice, the standings were as follows:

Tier 1

Delta 1, Adanacs 1, Ridge Meadows, New Westminster and Langley. Only Delta, Adanacs and Langley declared for provincials.

Tier 2

Mission, Adanacs 3, Surrey, Adanacs 2, Delta 2, Vancouver and Port Coquitlam. Only Surrey did not declare for provincials.

Due to weather conditions the Provincial Tournament was cancelled.

Despite a new "banishment" rule and JOCAP, suspensions were at a minimum this year, most being handed out at the Richmond tournament. There were only 2 banishments the entire season in the U18 division. And only 1 issue involving a coach. The rest of the suspensions were the usual infractions, but I found ref abuse was significantly down this year.

As a recommendation moving forward, it would be helpful if commissioners could get a copy of the releases. When doing rosters, you come across names you recognise from other teams and it would be helpful to track whether the correct paperwork is in place.

Thank you to everyone at Pacific Coast who continue to answer questions and support us at the commissioner level.

Sincerely,

Mary Clare
PCFLL U18 Commissioner

# 2017 PCFLL AGM

# **Operating Policy Additions and Amendments**

#### #1

# To be placed at the top of page five

The following regulations apply to Youth Field Lacrosse and Women's Field Lacrosse, unless noted in Schedule One – Policies Pertaining to Women's Lacrosse Only.

#### Carried

#### #2

# Amend regulation number: E.01 - Divisions

U18 Field Under 18 years

U15 Field Under 15 years

U13 Field Under 13 years

U11 Field Under 11 years

U9 Field Under 9 years

U7 Field Under 7 years and at least 5 years' old

All ages are determined as of January 1st of the playing year.

#### Carried

#### #3

Motion put forward by Randy Radonich and seconded by Trevor Webber

# Amend F.01 - Playing Season

Initially the motion was to have the season end after the first week-end in February. This was amended to the final week-end in March

Motion to amend by Peter Moffatt and seconded by David Goulet

Motion to put forth the amended motion by Peter Moffat and seconded by Cal Davies

#### F.01. Playing Season

The playing season may start as early as the first (1st) weekend after Labour Day and may continue as late as the final week-end in March of the following year. All PCFLL scheduled and rescheduled games between the start of the season and the following five (5) scheduled week-ends will be considered Tiering games, which count towards league play. The Regular fall season begins the weekend following the last Tiering game and continues until mid-December. A winter break will run from mid-December until early January of the following year. The regular winter season begins in early January and may continue until the final weekend in March.

#### Carried

# #4

Motion put forward by Mike O'Connor and seconded by Trevor Webber

# Amend F.03.c - Points

c) The offending team shall be fined \$100.00 (or \$200.00 if less than 24 hours' notice of forfeiture) and the non-offending team shall be awarded cost associated with the game (i.e. referee fees, field cost) when a team defaults a game by failing to appear for the scheduled game.

#### Carried

#### #5

Motion put forward by Trevor Webber and seconded by Mike O'Connor

#### Amend F.03.d Points

d) Any team who plays an ineligible player will lose points, if they win. The points will be awarded to the non-offending team. The coach of the offending team will face a suspension, as stated in the suspension guidelines.

# **Carried**

#### #6

Motion put forward by Trevor Webber and seconded by Randy Radonich

# Amend F.05.b Re-Tiering

b) If based on the numbers of teams in Tier 2, if a need exists, and as agreed by the member associations (at the monthly meeting of the PCFLL prior to the end of tiering break), a Third Tier (Development) may be established after Tiering is complete. This would be comprised of teams that have new or developing players. These teams would not be allowed to declare for or participate in Provincial Championships.

#### Withdrawn

#### #7

Motion put forward by Randy Radonich and seconded by Trevor Webber

#### Add F.05.c

c) For U11 only. Teams will declare Tier 1 or Tier 2. After Tiering is completed, teams will be placed in three divisions – Red, Blue, and White. The placement will be based on results from Tiering.

# Carried

#### #8

Motion put forward by Peter Moffatt and seconded by Cal Davies

# Add G.05

Any association not sending at least one (1) delegate (two (2) if the association has Women's Field Lacrosse) to the PCFLL AGM (usually April) will be subject to a \$50.00 fine.

Motion to amend by Cal Davies and seconded by Peter Moffatt

Motion to put forward the amended motion by Randy Radonich and seconded by David Goulet

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## Carried

#### #9

Motion put forward by Mike O'Connor and seconded by Trevor Webber

#### AMEND I

#### I. EXECUTIVE

The Executive of the organization shall consist of a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, 2nd Vice Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer. All positions shall be filled by election at the AGM. Should positions be left vacant at the AGM, the elected executive shall be empowered to appoint persons to the positions. The Executive shall appoint the Registrar, Head Referee, Head Umpire, Head Commissioner, Coaching Coordinator, and a Commissioner for each division, prior to the start of the season. These appointed positions are one (1) year positions.

# **Carried**

#### #10

Motion put forward by Trevor Webber and seconded by Cal Davies

#### **DELETE J.12**

#### J.12. GIRLS REPRESENTATIVE

That the clubs that have girls teams shall determine who shall represent & chair the Girls meetings

#### Carried

# #11

Motion put forward by Sheri Isbister and seconded by Trevor Webber

# Add J.13

# J.13 Referee Allocator

The referee allocator will use a web based allocation program to assign referees in the U13, U15 and U18 divisions. The U7 and U9 assignments will be allocated by the home association head referee or association allocator.

Motion to amend by Mike O'Connor and seconded by Trevor Webber

Change to U11, U13, U15, and U18 will have refs assigned

Motion to put forth the amended motion by Mike O'Connor and Trevor Webber

# Defeated

Motion to amend the amended motion by Darcy Phillips and seconded by Jim Dunnett

- Change to U7, U9, and U11 will be assigned by the home association

Motion to put forth the amended motion by Trevor Webber and seconded by Cal Davies

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# Carried

#### #12

Motion put forth by Trevor Webber and seconded by Ceayon Johnston

#### AMEND K.01.b

b) Any organization registered with BCLA within the area of the Lower Mainland and Fraser Valley that, at the time of the application, is in good standing. New clubs registering teams must submit a written application with clearly defined association boundaries, a list of committed players, division(s) teams will be declared in, a list of club Executive, description of home facilities, and a list of certified officials (field lacrosse referees) as per Regulation 8 of the BCLA Field Directorate Operating Policy, along with league fees to the August meeting.

### **Carried**

This motion also affects N.01; page 10

#### #13

Motion put forth by Peter Moffatt and seconded by Trevor Webber

#### **AMEND M.02**

M.02. Fines for Late Submission

Each association will submit to the BCLA Office, on or before 4:00 pm of the Wednesday following the BCLA AGM (October) of each playing year, a team list generated from the on-line database. If an association does not comply with said dates they will be fined \$250.00, and another \$250.00 for each additional seven-day period that the team lists are not received.

#### Carried

# #14

#### Amend N.01. New Teams

Application for entry must be submitted in writing to the League Chair by the August meeting. The application must be accompanied by association boundaries, a list of committed players, division(s) teams will be declared in, list of executive, list of coaches, list of team officials (certified field lacrosse referees), team colours (to be approved by League Executive) and the league fee as set by the PCFLL.

# Carried (Housekeeping)

This motion also affects K.01.b; page 9

#### #15

Motion put forth by Mike O'Connor and seconded by Trevor Webber

## AMEND O.01.a

a) All league schedules will be made up by Commissioners and/or league appointed personnel at least one week in advance of the scheduled game date, whenever possible. All league games will take precedence over exhibition games.

#### Carried

#### #16

Motion put forth by Mike O'Connor and seconded by Sheri Isbister

# AMEND 0.01.d

d) Games to be rescheduled must be done prior to the conclusion of the current season (ie Tiering, Fall, and Winter). If no agreeable date is available, then both teams must supply a date and time to their League Commissioner. The League Commissioner will reschedule the game based on the date and times submitted. The League Commissioners have the authority to assign points or not, if teams do not meet the guidelines by working together to reschedule their games.

#### Carried

#### #17

# **AMEND 0.04**

Member associations of the PCFLL interested in hosting the Field Provincials must inform the PCFLL of their intentions prior to submitting their application to the Field Directorate.

# Carried (Housekeeping)

#### #18

Motion put forth by Jim Dunnett and seconded by Ceayon Johnston

# **AMEND P.03**

It is the responsibility of the home team to ensure that the game sheet is clearly and properly filled out prior to the start of each home game. Game sheets must be protected from the weather to ensure that they are legible. Improper score sheets may be considered invalid for league results and player eligibility for the Field Provincials.

All players can be added to the game sheet at the beginning of the game, but any player who hasn't arrived by halftime must be removed from game sheet roster.

The home team's scorekeeper is responsible for distributing the copies of the game sheet after the game. The winning team's representative is given the top two copies of the game sheet (white and yellow). The losing team's representative is given the bottom copy of the game sheet (pink). In the event of a tie, the home team's representative is given the top two copies of the game sheet.

The winning team's coach or manager is responsible for submitting the original game sheet (top white copy) to the League Commissioner. A PDF or digital copy (photograph) of the game sheet must be sent to the League Commissioner within 24 hours after the conclusion of the respective game. The original game sheet must be mailed to the League Commissioner within three (3) days after the conclusion of the respective game. In the event of a tie the home team's coach or manager is responsible for submitting the original game sheet.

# Carried

# #19

#### **AMEND P.05**

# P.05. Game Length

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# Carried (Housekeeping)

# #20

# **AMEND P.05**

# P.05. Game Length

Games will consist of the following, which may vary in each division, with stop time in the last 3 minutes of the last quarter if the game is within 5 goals and should field time permit.

- a) U7 games two 20 minute halves
- b) U9 games 12 minute quarters (min.) or as time and field conditions permit.
- c) U11 games 15 minute quarters (min.) or as time and field conditions permit.
- d) U13 games 15 minute quarters (min.) or as time and field conditions permit.
- e) U15 games 15 minute quarters (min.) or as time and field conditions permit.
- f) U18 games 18 minute quarters (minimum) or as time and field conditions permit.

Regular scheduled games will start no later than 15 minutes after scheduled game time, when the field is available for play. If a team does not field the minimum (10) players, the game will be deemed a forfeit. For U7 and U9, the minimum number of players is eight (8). The length of the quarters can be altered if both coaches agree.

# Carried (Housekeeping)

#### #21

Motion to put forth by Ceayon Johnston and seconded by Cal Davies

# Amend P.08

P.08. U7 and U9

In U7 and U9, when a game has a difference of 5 goals or greater - when the losing team has been scored on, they will start with possession at centre instead of having a face-off. Normal face-off procedure will resume if the difference in goals becomes less than 5. Once any player has scored four (4) goals, the scorekeeper will notify both coaches and both umpires. Further goals from that player will not be registered and will be considered a "no goal". Play will resume as the goalie's ball.

Motion to amend the motion by Darcy Phillips and seconded by Cal Davies

Motion to put forth the amended motion by Peter Moffatt and seconded by Jim Dunnett

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#### Carried

#### #22

Motion put forth by Peter Moffatt and seconded by Trevor Webber

# New regulation P.09 U7 and U9

No stick checks will be permitted in regular season play and in Jamborees.

### Carried

\*\*\* Note: add this to the Coaches'

#### #23

Motion put forth by Trevor Webber and seconded by Sheri Isbister

# Amend Q.01. Game Officials

A minimum of two certified officials is required for each game in each division.

An official shall not referee a sibling, parent or immediate relation involved in a game at all levels except in extenuating circumstances, and agreed to by both teams. As per BCLA Regulation 5.03, and the following paragraph is to be followed.

Should only one referee show up for a scheduled game, every effort must be made to locate another referee, certified. If another referee is located and it happens to be a parent or a sibling of one of the players playing in that game it should be noted on the score sheet. Both coaches should also be made aware of the fact and they should initial the score sheet to indicate that they have been notified.

If only one official is present to referee a game, then that official must call off the game. An exception can be made at U7 providing both coaches agree to one referee. Only one game fee will be paid to the referee. The fee will be paid by the home team.

Motion to amend by David Goulet and seconded by Cal Davies

Motion to put forth the amended motion by Ceayon Johnston and seconded by David Goulet

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If only one official is present to referee a game, then that official must call off the game. An exception can be made at U7 providing both coaches agree to one referee. Both game fees will be paid to the referee.

# **Carried**

#### #24

Motion to put forth by Trevor Webber and seconded by Jim Dunnett

# Amend Q.04. Payment of Officials

Both teams shall be responsible for payment of the officials. They shall each be responsible for payment of one game fee and payment will be made in cash prior to the start of the game.

Game fees are those set by BCLA Operating Policy OR those recommended by the League.

Officials are to be paid prior to the start of games unless other arrangements have been made beforehand.

If the game is not played, then he will only receive payment from the home team. Officials will still receive payment if team(s) does not show up for game.

#### Carried

#### #25

Motion put forth by Trevor Webber and seconded by Ceayon Johnston

# Amend R.02. Aging Up

An association may age up a player from their existing age playing division, to one age division higher only and must be registered accordingly.

Associations must give the name of these players to the Commissioners prior to the compliance deadline as per BCLA Operating Policy, i.e. U13 to U15, U11 to U13.

A player that has been aged up cannot be called up to play in a higher division. For example: A U9 player aged up to U11 cannot play up to U13.

#### Carried

#### #26

Motion to put forth by Peter Moffatt and seconded by Trevor Webber

# New regulation R.04.b

Players that are called up must fulfill their obligation to their own team's scheduled game before playing for another team.

Motion to amend the motion by Carol Soenen and seconded by Jim Dunnett

Motion to put forth the amended motion by Carol Soenen and seconded by Jim Dunnett

# R.04.b

Players that are called up must fulfill their obligation to their own team's scheduled game before committing to play for another team.

#### Carried

# #27

# Amend R.05 - Playing Down

No Player may play from a higher calibre tier to a lower calibre tier (i.e. Tier 1 U13 to Tier 2 U13, Tier 1 U13 to Tier 2 U15.

Carried (House-keeping)

# Amend T.03

b) All players requiring a release must be registered with their home association.

# Carried (House-keeping)

#### #29

# Amend T.03.d

d) The player's release and destination request must be submitted to the PCFLL Chair - this can be done by scan or in person.

Carried (House-keeping)

#### Motion #30

#### Amend T.03.e

e) A release request must come from the home association.

Carried (House-keeping)

#### Motion #31

Motion put forth by Peter Moffatt and seconded by Trevor Webber

#### Delete T.03.f

f) The Division Commissioner will present the release request to the PCFLL Executive.

# **Carried**

# #32

Motion put forth by Trevor Webber and seconded by Kellie Ohlmann

# **Amend BB**

# **BB.** Playing Season

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Motion to amend by Kellie Ohlmann and seconded by Trevor Webber

Motion to put forth the amended motion by Kellie Ohlmann and seconded by Trevor Webber

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#### Carried

#### #33

Motion to put forth by Trevor Webber and seconded by Ceayon Johnston

#### Amend BB.b.iii

iii) The offending team shall be fined \$100.00 (or \$200.00 if less than 24 hours' notice of forfeiture) and the non-offending team shall be awarded cost associated with the game (i.e. referee fees, field cost) when a team forfeits a game by failing to appear for the scheduled game.

#### Carried

### #34

Motion to put forth by Trevor Webber and seconded by Randy Radonich

#### **Amend CC.02**

#### CC.02 Roster

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Motion to amend by Sydney Hara and seconded by Trevor Webber

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