



# PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE

## November 5<sup>th</sup> 2012 Minutes - Youth

**Attendees:** Dirk Rachfall (Chair), Beth McLucas (1st Vice chair, Head Commissioner, and U12 commissioner), Brad Hara (2nd Vice chair), Trish Keizer (Secretary), Karen Peterson (Registrar and New West), Jody Weatherby (Head Referee), Leah MacKenzie (U8 Commissioner and Mission), Roger Paterson (U10 Commissioner and North Shore), Tracy Dolbec (U14 Commissioner), Tricia Rachfall (U16 Commissioner), Mary Clare (U19 Commissioner), Adanacs – Randy Radonich, Burnaby – Trevor Webber, Delta – Angie Schwan, Langley – Jason Kump, Poco – Derek Milani, Richmond – Ceayon Johnston, Ridge Meadows – Wes Eaton, Surrey – Cal Davies, and Vancouver – Mike O'Connor

**Absent:** Treasurer and Valley

**Call to Order:** 7:05 p.m.

### **Review and acceptance of the October 1<sup>st</sup> minutes:**

- Motion: Brad Hara
- Seconded by: Karen Peterson
- Carried

### **Reports**

#### **Chair:**

- Portable creases are in
  - each association takes 4 (1 crease per box)
- Question regarding LTAD and drop down nets
  - the rule is a guide
  - we can continue to use drop downs
- Provincials now posted
- Seattle tournament
  - Field Directorate says that associations cannot borrow players from another association
    - not allowed during league play
    - Discussion
      - this has been going on for years, why now?
      - travel forms allow for borrowing
      - U19s cannot allow their 3<sup>rd</sup> years to participate
        - depletes their teams
      - this tournament allows our players an opportunity to play south
        - other teams to play for a change
        - showcase our 'talent'
    - Dirk will take this back to the Field Directorate for discussion`
- Deb Stocks has stepped down as Field Directorate Chair
  - Dirk's name was put forward and he has accepted
    - let his name stand
  - this will be his last PCFLL meeting as Chair
    - will attend as an observer
  - Beth McLucas will take over as Interim Chair

- Girls tournament February 15 – 17 in Langley
  - the focus will be on the U12 and U15 teams
    - PCFLL has 6 U12 teams and 6 U15 teams
    - The Island has 3 U12 teams 3 U15 teams
    - The North has 1 U15 team for sure and maybe a U12 team
  - probably won't have a U19 component since there are only 3 U19 teams
    - unless there is interest
  - form similar to declarations for Provincials
  - Dirk looking at funding from the BCLA
  - Langley needs tents (7)
    - Adanacs will loan 2
- Registration
  - highest number of U8s ever

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

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice – Chair:**

- 7 – on – 7 tournament
  - went well
  - made some money >\$500.00
- 5 teams going to Palm Springs
  - 2 Team BC
  - Coquitlam
  - Langley
- Registration is up 30%
  - especially at U12
- Clinic
  - beginning of September
    - will bring up a coach from Northwestern to work with players
    - may charge more to recover costs
      - \$30.00 for 2 days (3 hours/day)
    - was very successful last September

**Treasurer:** Absent

**Registrar:**

- Everyone got their registration cards in on time
  - some problems, but less than last year
- BCLA registrars' database
  - closed off as of November 1<sup>st</sup>
  - any player changes need to go through Karen once the commissioner has approved this
    - until November 30<sup>th</sup>
    - be aware of the 50% rule

**Secretary:**

- Since the minutes are now posted on the PCFLL website, minutes will not be given out at the monthly meetings.

**Head Referee:**

- U10 Jamboree
  - pretty good
  - 2 coaches acting out

- asked to forward their names to the coaching association
  - asked senior refs to come out and help evaluate
    - lack of responses
- Richmond Tournament – Remembrance Day week-end
  - U8 jamboree on Monday
    - looking for 10 referees
    - looking for evaluators to help out
  - very busy scheduling refs; will be a challenge
    - Friday – 11 games
    - Saturday – 31 games
      - + North Shore, Vancouver, and Men’s games
      - 72 refs
    - Sunday 21 games
      - + League and Senior Men’s games
    - Monday – 25 games
      - + U8 Jamboree
      - 60 refs
- Protest
  - goal posts must be of orange colour
    - in the rule book
    - clarification:
      - the rule book is for the world stage
    - same regarding line colours

## **Commissioners Reports**

### **Head Commissioner:**

- Coaching issue
  - Will be dealt with severely

### **U8:**

- Everyone is behaving nicely
- 2 associations are not participating in the U8 Jamboree
  - they may not have received the email regarding info
    - will contact them to find out for sure

### **U10:**

- Jamboree went well
- All else fine

### **U12:** Nothing to report

### **U14:**

- Coaches and call-up issues
- Good group
  - getting their paperwork in

### **U16:** Nothing to report

**U19:**

- No fights or game reports
- All good

**Club Reports****Adanacs:**

- 66 at the Beer Hunters Clinic
  - will be doing this again next year
  - may have it during the Thanksgiving week-end
- has spare drop downs, if anyone needs them

**Burnaby:**

- Welcomes Vancouver's U8 to play on their field
- Concern regarding coaching clinic
  - nothing geared towards U8 and U10
    - mainly U12 and up
  - hard for new coaches
  - Discussion
    - recommendation that we have a league-wide clinic to help train coaches on basic skills
    - recommendation that there be a U8 Jamboree at the beginning of the season
      - can run a clinic for coaches
    - recommendation that during the U10 Jamboree, we could have an hour break in the middle
      - run a coaches clinic and have refs there as well
        - similar to the Girls

**Delta:**

- U8 schedule and Thanksgiving break
  - why isn't the schedule released all at once?
    - issue with refs and allocations
- U10s 'cancelled' their Remembrance Day game
- TBR's
  - Mackie is available on Friday nights
    - 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. have practices
    - 8:00 p.m. game time
- Remembrance Day
  - suggestion to have a moment of silence
    - request all teams stop their games at 11:00 a.m. to observe a moment of silence
    - Trish will ask webmaster to post this on the website and highlight any games affected

**Langley:**

- U10 Jamboree went well
  - concern with last minute cancellations
    - messes up the schedule and any pre-ordering that was done
    - recommend a 'fine' or obligation to pay the registration fee
  - would like to host again next year, if possible
  - suggestion of having a year-end U10 jamboree during the February 15<sup>th</sup> week-end
    - during U19 Provincials and Girls Tournament
    - leave decision on this until the December 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting
- 3-man ref system at U19 and U16 is working
  - has diffused many issues on-field

- suggestion of having this for all games at the U19 Provincials

**Mission:**

- Fields looking like there is wear
  - may not be able to have games in Mission soon

**New West:**

- Concern regarding U8 refs thinking that 'hitting' is okay
  - refs not addressing the issue
  - as a result, this may discourage kids from playing
    - afraid of getting hurt
  - Jody will send our rules and philosophy of U8 to all associations
- Running up scores is also an issue

**North Shore:** Nothing to report

**Poco:**

- Question: Can there be exemptions for U12 Tier 1 to U14 Tier 2
  - Response: Cannot be done

**Richmond:**

- Ceayon Johnston is the Vice-president of Field
  - Dan Mason has stepped down
- Richmond tournament
  - 42 teams
    - up 6 teams from last year
    - not including 10 U8 teams
  - issue regarding a lack of refs
    - will take this back to the convener
  - intention to play 'tiered' games
    - U12 and U16 not
  - no games scheduled for November 11<sup>th</sup> @ 11:00 a.m.

**Ridge Meadows:** Nothing to report

**Surrey:**

- Things going well
- Question: Were any teams moved?
  - Response: None were, but there could be
- Would like to utilize field times as much as possible
  - opening a brand new field at Newton

**Valley:** Absent

**Vancouver:**

- Thank you to Burnaby for the field time (U8s)
- Release to sign from Surrey and 2 from North Shore
- In the Richmond Tournament

## **New Business**

- Discussion
  - association presidents should be informed if their coaches are out of line
    - can be dealt with at the association level

**Adjournment:** @ 9:08 p.m.

- Motion: Beth McLucas
- Seconded by: Karen Peterson
- Carried

**Next meeting scheduled for:** Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 7:00 p.m.