



# PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE

## December 5<sup>th</sup> 2017 Meeting Minutes - Girls

**Attendees:** Trish Keizer (Chair), Lynda Callard (Registrar / Treasurer), Brian Borkowsky (Secretary), Chris Comeault (Past Chair), Adanacs – Dennis Santucci, Langley – Alex Vanichuk, Mission – Shona Wallace, New West – Carol Soenen, Poco – Karen Hertlset, Ridge Meadows – Matt Paterson, Surrey – Jason Carr

**Absent:** Jason Kump (1<sup>st</sup> Vice), Kellie Ohlmann (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice), Stacy Hemmerling (Commissioner), Burnaby

### **Call to Order @ 6 PM**

### **Acceptance of the November 7<sup>th</sup> minutes:**

- Motion to accept: Dennis Santucci
- Seconded by: Matt Patterson

### **Reports:**

#### **Chair:**

- Field Directorate
  - NCAA Women's sticks
    - BCLA operating policy is out of order with CLA and FIL by allowing NCAA sticks to be used in BC play
    - BCLA follows CLA and FIL policy
    - New policy will be introduced and implemented in April at the Special Session
    - Question asked regarding US teams coming up to play in tournaments? Are their sticks legal?
  - BCLA sent out email regarding change of insurance companies
    - big impact for teams travelling to the US as well as US players playing in BC
    - new insurance provider covering all aspects
  - discussion on how to ensure qualified coaches only are on the sideline
    - Dirk to follow up on idea that all coaches get a card with a picture that they must carry and be able to show at all games if requested by an umpire/referee
  - Team BC
    - community games/practices takes precedence over Team BC events except when Team BC is travelling
  - Registrations and releases
    - associations should keep a waitlist and not close registration, in particular because BCLA registration is open until October 31
    - some associations have an automatic trigger on their websites that indicate when a team is full, thereby not allowing any further registrations
      - this is against policy
- Uniform 'policy'
  - teams representing their associations should wear association approved jerseys/shorts
    - adhere to team colours
- Declarations

- December 14<sup>th</sup> @ 4:00 p.m. (BCLA office) is the deadline for declarations
- Abuse of officials
  - remind coaches to refrain from negatively interacting with umpires (especially during a game)
    - there is a shortage of umpires
      - some do not want to umpire games with certain coaches
        - may lead to cancellation of games
  - Just a reminder as well that all parents are to be watching from the field across from the players benches. No parents are permitted on the same side of the field as the player benches. Please make sure that all parents are aware.
  - Need to look at solutions to deal with problem parents. The coach can only do so much. We need to look at ways of being more proactive.
- Parent complaints
  - should be dealt with in-house (contact association executive)
    - coaching issues should go to association's head coach
  - the PCFLL does not resolve issues at the local level
- Regional teams
  - will be able to field two teams (U15 Women's and U15 Youth (boys))
    - U15 Women had 20 applicants and 5 coach applicants
      - head coach and assistant have been selected
    - U15 Youth had 18 applicants and 1 assistant coach applicant
      - need a head coach for this group
  - tryouts will not be necessary
  - hoping to get into two tournaments
    - Best of the West – Las Vegas
    - Jam By the Sea - San Diego
  - looking for field times to hold ~ 4-5 practices

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice chair – NOT IN ATTENDANCE**

- Nothing to report

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice chair: - NOT IN ATTENDANCE**

- Parents are not to be on the field at all, including the bench area. Please make sure the parents are on the other side of the field, opposite the player benches.
- Please make sure families in U8 know that the that the season will continue into 2018
- Only umpires are allowed to cancel games due to field conditions
- Jan 13<sup>th</sup> will be the start of the Winter Schedule
- Reminder that the 4 Team BC teams are away Jan 13<sup>th</sup> weekend due to US Tournament

**Secretary**

- Nothing to report

**Treasurer/Registrar**

- \$45,000.00 in the Bank
- Still waiting to hear from BCLA regarding final registration numbers

**Head Umpire:**

- Please contact Shona regarding all cancellations and reschedules for umpires
- Please be on your coaches regarding Official Abuse.
- No reschedules please on Saturdays as we cannot get umpires.
- Ask the teams to make sure they are shaking the hands of all officials. Including the coaches.

**Scheduler:**

- Hopefully the rest of the January schedule up shortly.

**Association Reports:****Adanacs:**

- Nothing to report.
- Would like to hear if there are coaching/officials issues so that the club can deal with it directly.
- Message from Randy regarding the 7 v 7 Tournament. Thank you to all that were involved. It was a great event.

**Burnaby:**

- Nothing to report

**Langley:**

- Nothing to report

**Mission:**

- Nothing to report

**New Westminster:**

- Question regarding coach?

**Port Coquitlam:**

- Nothing to report

**Ridge Meadows:**

- Only 2 girls will not be on the roster for the U15 Provincials. Is there any way that they could be included in the U19 group for the provincials.

**Surrey:**

- Question regarding the number of games that can be played in a day.
  - Only 2 games can be played in one day. This can be a combination of league or exhibition.
    - We need to make sure that all coaches, managers and players fully understand this rule.

**New Business:**

- Reschedules – 96 hours' notice is the requirement
  - Again, please do not reschedule games on Saturdays
  - Using January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 is an option for TBR's as well. (Winter schedule restarts on the 13<sup>th</sup>)

**Adjournment @ 6:52 PM**

- Motion to adjourn: Matt Patterson
- Seconded by: Chris Comeault

**Next meeting scheduled for:** Tuesday, January 9<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 p.m.