# B.C. LACROSSE ASSOCIATION SENIOR DIRECTORATE 2010 SPECIAL SESSION Friday, October 15, 2010 – Whistler, B.C.

Chair Christine Pollock called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M. and introduced Vice Chairs Bill Dawes and Terry

Kirstiuk and Secretary Judy Regier.

Proposed amendments to the Senior Directorate Operating Policy were discussed and clarification was given as required.

At 8:10 PM. the meeting recessed, to reconvene at 9:00 A.M. Saturday, October 16, 2010.

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### **IN ATTENDANCE**

Deb Achtzner, Cowichan Valley, PNW Junior B Gene Regier, Commissioner, BC Intermediate A Marilyn Nicholl, Sec/Treasurer, West Coast Junior B Tony, Bell, Ridge Meadows, BC Intermediate B Mike Goodrich, Ridge Meadows, West Coast Junior B Sandra Tackaberry, North Delta, BC Intermediate B Gord Stickler, Coquitlam, West Coast Junior B Bill Dawes, Vice Chair, Senior Directorate Bridget Hughes, Commissioner VI Intermediate B Chris Jackson, Saanich, VI Senior C Louise Howes, Campbell River, PNW Junior B Sandy Roy, Port Moody, BC Intermediate B Jed Sigfusson, Port Moody, West Coast Junior B Les Wingrove, Coquitlam, WLA Senior A Vicki Clark, Nanaimo, BC Intermediate A Darcy Phillips, Delta, West Coast Junior B Dalton Dash, Oceanside, VI Intermediate B Greg Toll, VP Operations, BCLA Ron McQuarrie, Victoria, BC Intermediate A Reg Thompson, PoCo, BC Junior A Elinor Hinds, Vernon, TO Senior C Terry Foulds, Devils, PG Senior C Heather Foulds, Bandits, PG Senior C Lori Morgan, Peninsula, VI Intermediate B Ernie Truant, Commissioner, WLA Senior A Dave Hatt, Vic/Esq, PNW Junior B Tim Winters, Delta, BC Intermediate A Dan Mason, Richmond, BC Intermediate B Al Lang, President, BC Junior A Dan Wray, Vice Chair, TO Junior B

Jim Ross, PoCo Gold, BC Intermediate B Frank Geyer, Surrey, West Coast Junior B Paul Rowbotham, Burnaby, WLA Senior A Ken Wood, Coquitlam, BC Intermediate A Brock Rose, Langley, BC Junior A Rod Wood, Victoria, BC Junior A Terry Willis, Semiahmoo, BC Intermediate B Ernie Meyer, Burnaby, West Coast Junior B Lisa Tessarolo, New Westminster, BC Intermediate A Murray Lehman, New Westminster, West Coast Junior B Doug Zack, New Westminster, BC Junior A Dave Riches, PoCo Black, BC Intermediate B Terry Mosdell, VC Development, BCLA Gary McBride, Delta, BC Junior A Dennis Quigley, Vice Chair Senior, BCLCA Terry Rolfe, Richmond, BC Intermediate A Chris Welch, Victoria, WLA Senior A Heather Appels, Burnaby, BC Intermediate A Bruce Clark, Nanaimo, BC Junior A Richard Appels, Burnaby, BC Junior A Pauline Phillips, Delta, BC Intermediate B Darcy Dagan, Richmond, West Coast Junior B Tammy McDougall, Nanaimo, West Coast Senior B Irene Morrison, Nanaimo, PNW Junior B Brian Horning, Stylers, PG Senior C Glen Scott, Commissioner, PG Senior C BJ Foulds, Assault, PG Senior C Rich Zecchel, Vernon, TO Junior B Dan Simpson, Burnaby, BC Intermediate B Kelly French, Nanaimo, VI Intermediate B

Rocky Zimmerman, Coquitlam, BC Junior A
Patrick Joseph, North Shore, BC Intermediate B
Rob Cook, Juan de Fuca, VI Intermediate B
Christine Pollock, Chair, Senior Directorate
Dave Curran, Vic/Esq, VI Intermediate B
Joe Wong, Vice Chair Senior, BCLOA
Ken Alexander, West Shore, PNW Junior B
Judy Regier, Secretary, Senior Directorate
\*Observer, Gloria Siegner, Senior Registrar
\*Observer, Kent Taylor, BCLOA

Sohen Gill, President, BCLA
Sam Hofer, Commissioner, PNW Junior B
Dan Richardson, New Westminster, WLA Senior A
Barb Laprise, Commissioner, BC Intermediate B
Jacquie Garrison, Coquitlam, BC Intermediate B
Neil Gailey, Cowichan Valley, VI Intermediate B
Terry Kirstiuk, Vice Chair, Senior Directorate

\*Observer, Brande Terris, Nanaimo

- 1. Chair, Christine Pollock called the meeting to order at 9:15 A.M.
- 2. There are 75 voting delegates in attendance. This total includes three BCLA members, one BCLOA representative and one BCLCA representative.
- 3. It was moved by Bill Dawes, seconded by Glenn Scott that the minutes the 2009 Special Session be accepted as circulated.

### **CARRIED**

# 4. <u>Business Arising from Previous Minutes</u>

a. There was no old business.

### 5. Coaches – Dennis Quigley

- a. Bill McBain was unable to carry on as Chair of the BCLCA due to ill health and the Minor Chair resigned due to work commitments leaving Dennis to complete the year alone. This year the BCLCA has elected a full slate.
- b. The doorman program has helped to decrease the number of abuse of officials charges against doormen. The program seems to be working.
- c. Names of qualified doormen should be available from Darcy Rhodes at the BCLA office.

# 6. Registration – Gloria Siegner

- a. A player signing two cards is still an issue.
- b. A proposal to amend Appendix IV which outlines the process of registration will be voted on later today. The proposal should prevent two cards signed by one player from ever reaching Gloria. She requested that this proposal, which will put more onus on the Commissioners, be approved.
- c. Gloria agreed to act as Registrar for the 2011 season.

### 7. League Reports

- a. The League Reports are printed in the BCLA 2010 Annual Report book.
- b. Joe Wong, as new Vice Chair Senior for the BCLOA wants to make reports better.

It was moved by Elinor Hinds, seconded by Sam Hofer to accept the reports as presented.

#### **CARRIED**

### a. Proposed Amendments

<sup>\*</sup>Observer, Rick Clark, Delta

It was proposed by Judy Regier and seconded by Bill Dawes to replace the word "cut" to "released" in the Senior Directorate Operating Policy.

#### **CARRIED**

It was proposed by Judy Regier and seconded by Jim Ross to Change the words "form(s)" and "card(s)" to "certificate(s)" in the Senior Directorate Operating Policy.

#### **CARRIED**

It was proposed by Judy Regier and seconded by Reg Thompson to amend REGULATION 5: PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – GENERAL, 5.06 to read:

A player, resident of a city, town, municipality, or boundaries set out in ratified league agreements, et cetera as of January 1 of the playing year, represented by a team(s) entered in a category for which they are eligible to play, must register with that team(s) except where such players' services are waived by the team(s), and subject to the Regulations here printed. If said player refuses to play for such team(s), after sitting out a year, the player becomes a free agent.

Within ratified boundaries that contain more than one team, the distribution of players graduating will be outlined in the appropriate league agreement which has been ratified by the BCLA.

#### **CARRIED**

It was proposed by Judy Regier and seconded by Dan Wray to amend REGULATION 5: PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – GENERAL, 5.09 to read:

- 5.09 (a) A player who signs a certificate for any team in the Association shall not play or sign with any other team or in any other league without first being properly released by his team of record.
  - (b) A player who signs a second certificate shall be deemed an ineligible player.
  - (c) Players who do sign a second certificate or play in another league or association without being properly released and transferred may be suspended for the balance of that season and for the entire season following.
  - (d) When a first year player is aged up to Junior A or Junior B due to ability, not availability of a team, they shall not be allowed to move down to a lower division in the following year.
  - (e) When a first year Intermediate player signs with a Junior B team because there is no available Intermediate team, they are allowed to sign with an Intermediate team in the following year. In the current year, they may not play down in the Intermediate League.

Amended by Judy Regier and seconded by Barb Laprise to add to (b):

(b) A player who signs a second certificate shall be deemed an ineligible player until the Chair of the Senior Directorate advises the Commissioner that the issue has been resolved.

# **CARRIED**

Original proposal as amended

#### **CARRIED**

Amended by Les Wingrove and seconded by Judy Regier to delete 5.09 (c) and renumbering.

#### REGULATION 5.09 will read:

- 5.09 (a) A player who signs a certificate for any team in the Association shall not play or sign with any other team or in any other league without first being properly released by his team of record.
  - (b) A player who signs a second certificate shall be deemed an ineligible player until the Chair of the Senior Directorate advises the Commissioner that the issue has been resolved.
  - (c) When a first year player is aged up to Junior A or Junior B due to ability, not availability of a team, they shall not be allowed to move down to a lower division in the following year.
  - (d) When a first year Intermediate player signs with a Junior B team because there is no available Intermediate team, they are allowed to sign with an Intermediate team in the following

#### **CARRIED**

year.

Proposed by Judy Regier and seconded by Bill Dawes to amend REGULATION 5: PLAYER ELIGIBILITY - GENERAL, 5.19 to read:

5.19 The penalty for breaches of Regulation 5.01 to 5.18 will be \$100.00 for each offence and loss of the game, if applicable.

#### **CARRIED**

Proposed by Glen Scott and seconded by Terry Rolfe to amend **REGULATION 5: PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – APPLICABLE TO SENIOR LEAGUES ONLY, 5.21 (b) to reads:** 

**5.21** (b) At a meeting called for the purpose, a graduated Free Agent *Intermediate* Draft will be held as follows: Junior A on or before March 15.

The mechanics of draft for each category will be determined by the Commissioner and the clubs in that category. Each Junior A club may draft to bring its total of players, both "protected" and "drafted" to a maximum of forty (40).

Players eligible for the Protected List are those who have signed registration cards with that team in the previous year, or residency, or who have been acquired by trade, or who were properly drafted.

Players not drafted are unrestricted free agents and may try out and sign with any team.

For a drafted *Intermediate* player still attending high school or due to the location of their residency, that drafted player may elect to play with the *Junior B Team* within their boundary with their Junior A playing rights still held by the drafting team.

Drafted players rights are held by the drafting Junior A team up to *one* (1) year (covering the first year of Junior eligibility). If the drafted player has not signed a Junior A card by the end of the first year of Junior eligibility, then the player has the right to move to another Junior A team of his/her choice. If signed by another Junior A team, then compensation must be paid by the Junior A team signing the player to the Junior A team who originally held his/her rights, the compensation to be either monetary, a trade or a draft choice, and shall be arbitrated if teams cannot agree on the compensation.

Amended by Bruce Clark and seconded by Glen Scott to add age after "Intermediate".

#### **CARRIED**

Original amendment as amended will read:

5.21 (b) At a meeting called for the purpose, a graduated Free Agent Intermediate Age Draft will be held as follows: Junior A on or before March 15.

The mechanics of draft for each category will be determined by the Commissioner and the clubs in that category. Each Junior A club may draft to bring its total of players, both "protected" and "drafted" to a maximum of forty (40).

Players eligible for the Protected List are those who have signed registration cards with that team in the previous year, or residency, or who have been acquired by trade, or who were properly drafted.

Players not drafted are unrestricted free agents and may try out and sign with any team.

For a drafted Intermediate age player still attending high school or due to the location of their residency, that drafted player may elect to play with the Junior B Team within their boundary with their Junior A playing rights still held by the drafting team.

Drafted players rights are held by the drafting Junior A team up to one (1) year (covering the first year of Junior eligibility). If the drafted player has not signed a Junior A card by the end of the first year of Junior eligibility, then the player has the right to move to another Junior A team of his/her choice. If signed by another Junior A team, then compensation must be paid by the Junior A team signing the player to the Junior A team who originally held his/her rights, the compensation to be either monetary, a trade or a draft choice, and shall be arbitrated if teams cannot agree on the compensation.

### **CARRIED**

Proposed by Fraser MacDonald and seconded by Terry Kirstiuk to add a new REGULATION 8: CLASSIFICATION AND GROUPING LEAGUE AGREEMENTS AND SCHEDULING 8.07 which will read:

8.07 Provincial Councils

- (a) When there are three or more leagues in the province of the same level of lacrosse (i.e., Junior B, Senior C, etc.), they may form a Council to co-ordinate lacrosse activities province-wide. If a majority of the leagues wish to form such a Council, then all leagues will be members of the Council.
- (b) The purpose of the Council is to identify common goals and concerns of the individual leagues. The Council will help the leagues to develop commonality in their league agreements, especially in regards to qualifications for Provincial Championships. The Council will assist the leagues in developing other common programs including but not limited to recruitment, promotion, sponsorship, etc. The Council will determine its own budget and assess the leagues as required to fund the activities of the Council.
- (c) The Council representatives will be the league commissioners. Each league shall also identify an alternative representative. One of the commissioners will be selected as the Chair of the Council for a two-year term by the other Council members and the alternate from that league will become the league's representative on the Council.
- (d) The league representatives will each have a vote on Council business, and the Chair will only vote in the event of a tie.
- (e) The Council may appoint other positions such as a Secretary-Treasurer, a Director of Development, etc. The appointed positions will not have a vote on the Council.
- (f) The Council itself will not have a vote at Senior Directorate meetings/Special Sessions as the leagues already have a vote through the commissioner position. The Chair of the Council (or designate) will present reports to the Senior Directorate on behalf of the Council.
- (g) The Council will not have a vote at BCLA Meetings/Special Sessions.

#### **CARRIED**

Proposed by Judy Regier and seconded by Gene Regier to delete APPENDIX FOUR; SENIOR REGISTRATATION PROCEDURE and replace with a new Appendix Four to read:

# **APPENDIX FOUR:**

### SENIOR REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

The following are steps in the proper procedure to register players in the Senior Directorate.

#### THE PLAYER

Complete the certificate in its entirety . . . Last Year's Team Name, Name, Address, Postal Code, Telephone Number, Birth Date, Medical Insurance Number, and Signature.

#### THE TEAM MANAGER

- Check that all information required is filled in, including Team Name.
- Check that the Medical Insurance Number is recorded. This is required in order to ascertain that the player does carry or is covered by B.C. Medical Insurance. The insurance provided by the BCLA covers only specific, added, secondary benefits. It is prohibited by law from covering anything normally covered by B.C. Medical Insurance.
- Players who are under 19 years of age at the signing of the registration certificate must have a parent or guardian's signature on the registration certificate.
- Be sure the certificate is dated. Sign in "Authorized Team Official" box.

• Turn completed cards over to your League Commissioner.

#### THE COMMISSIONER

- Check each certificate for full information.
- Verify eligibility: age, out-of-province, et cetera.
- Sign each certificate.
- Turn certificates over to the BCLA Office.
- Issue league cheque or send club cheques to BCLA office for each certificate used.

#### THE REGISTRAR

- Check that all certificates are completely filled in and signed.
- Check card numbers against assigned numbers list.
- Date and sign each certificate.
- Separate each certificate:
  - 1. original file
  - 2. center copy to Commissioner
  - 3. last copy to club/team

These are the steps in the initial registration of players prior to the start of the season. As players are released and/or added, the following is the procedure:

#### TO ADD ANOTHER PLAYER

When less than twenty-five (25) Senior A, Senior B, Senior C, Junior A, Junior B, Intermediate A or Intermediate B have been signed, just repeat the above four steps.

When the allowed number for the league has been signed:

- (a) The additional player completes the certificate (Step One)
- (b) The Team Manager completes Step Two. The Team Manager also pulls the club copy of the player's certificate who is released to accommodate the new player.
- (c) The Team Manager turns both certificates over to the League Commissioner, along with the required fee, to the BCLA office.
- (d) The Commissioner notifies all other Senior Commissioners, by email that the player has signed a certificate for the current year and has now been released.
- (e) The Registrar staples all three parts of the released player's certificates together and files in the league file.

The Registrar then processes the new player's certificates as above.

#### **NOTES:**

The Commissioner must ensure that there are no more than twenty-five (25) Senior A, Senior B, Senior C, Junior A, Junior B, Intermediate A or Intermediate B players registered at any one time.

All completed certificates are to be sent to the BCLA office. None should be destroyed.

All copies of released players' certificates must be returned to the BCLA office.

A player may not sign more than one certificate in any one playing season.

If the Registrar receives a second, signed certificate in the same year, the Commissioner/Commissioners of the League/Leagues involved and the Chair of the Senior Directorate must be advised.

The Chair of the Senior Directorate will advise the Registrar when this issue has been resolved.

Penalties for the team and player for signing two certificates in one year are outlined in Senior Directorate Operating Policy 5.09(b), 5.09 (c) and 5.19.

The Registrar then transfers the original certificate to the new team file, and forwards the centre copy to the League Commissioner and the last copy, with the release completed on the back, to the new team.

Amended by Jim Ross and seconded by Judy Regier the sentence under The Player to read:

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#### **CARRIED**

### 9. New Business

a. No new business

## 10. Election of Officers

- a. Christine Pollock passed the meeting to Bill Dawes.
- b. It was moved by Bill Dawes and seconded by Bruce Clark to suspend the meeting for elections.
- a. Christine Pollock was elected Chair the secretary cast one ballot
- b. Terry Kirstiuk was elected Vice Chair the secretary cast one ballot.

It was moved by Bridget Hughes and seconded by Dalton Dash to destroy the ballots.

# **CARRIED**

# 11. Adjournment

a. It was moved by Al Lang to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 A.M.

# **CARRIED**