



**MINUTES of the
2019 BCLA Annual General Meeting
Saturday, October 19, 2019
Whistler Conference Centre, Whistler, BC**

1. **Welcome/Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order at 1:05 PM with BCLA President Gerry Van Beek presiding. Gerry welcomed everyone to the BCLA AGM General Session and introduced the BCLA Board.
2. **Approval of Minutes of the October 13, 2018 BCLA Annual General Meeting.** *It was moved by Dave Wilkie, seconded by Brad Hara that the Minutes of the 2018 BC Lacrosse Association Annual General Meeting be adopted as circulated. CARRIED*
3. **Business Arising from Previous Minutes.** There was no Business Arising.
4. **BCLA Strategic Plan.** Drew Mitchell, Facilitator, reviewed the 2020-2024 BCLA Strategic Plan with the members. *It was moved by Terry Kirstiuk, seconded by Doug Wright that the 2020-2024 BCLA Strategic Plan be approved as circulated. CARRIED*
5. **Executive Reports. All reports are contained in the 2019 BCLA Annual Report.**
 - a) President - Gerry Van Beek
 - b) Vice President – Administration and Finance: Tony Spagnuolo
 - c) Secretary - Myrna Cable
 - d) Vice President – Operations - Greg Toll
 - e) Vice President – Performance Programs - Tyson Leies
 - f) Vice President – Development - Terry Mosdell
 - g) Vice President - Technical Programs - Dennis Quigley
 - h) Director at Large - David Jenkins
 - i) Executive Director - Rochelle Winterton

It was moved by Lee Brien, seconded by Don Scott the reports be accepted as circulated in the Annual Report. CARRIED

It was moved by Gord McIntosh, seconded by Judy Regier that the BCLA's 2019 Financial Statements and Budget be approved as presented in the Annual General Report. CARRIED

6. **Directorate/Technical Support Group Reports.**
 - a) **Senior Directorate Chair.** Don Scott reported that the Senior Directorate held their meeting and elections. Terry Kirstiuk (Vice President) and Judy Regier (Secretary) remain in the positions. Discussion took place regarding the Junior program and the Alcan Cup being renamed to the Glen Moose Scott Invitational Lacrosse Tournament which will be played in Airdrie, Alberta in 2020. Harold Corbett was thanked for his years of service as the Chair.
 - b) **Minor Directorate Chair.** Gordon McIntosh reported the Minor Directorate had a good meeting with valuable discussion. The Minor Directorate held their elections. Pam Mason (Vice Chair) and Diane Blair (Female Box Lacrosse Chair) remain in their positions.
 - c) **Field Directorate Secretary.** Tricia Rachfall reported on behalf of Dirk Rachfall, Chair. Tricia reported that the Field Directorate Special Session was held April 6, 2019 and there were no changes to the Executive. BC hosted the 2019 Youth Field Nationals in Kelowna. Special thanks to Wuilbert Jaramillo and Kelowna Minor Lacrosse for a very successful event. BC won silver at the U18 and U15 levels. BC also hosted the Men's Field Nationals (Ross Cup). Special thank you to Mary Clare for a successful event. Team BC captured Gold, Silver and Bronze. Provincials will announced on the COP next week.

d) **BC Lacrosse Coaches Group Chair.** Russ Sheppard reported that the Coaches Special Session was held September 7, 2019. Discussion took place regarding a three-referee system in Novice and off-ball contact play in Novice. Coaching in Bantam and Midget will require Level 2 Competitive Introduction. Coaching resources are in the planning stage. There were less incidences of coaches involved in abuse of officials however, the ones that were reported were extreme.

e) **BC Lacrosse Officials Group Chair.** Lee Brien reported that the Officials Special Session was held September 7, 2019. Lee thanked all of the volunteers for their contributions this year. There are no changes to the Executive members. Officials discussed the three-man system for Novice. Focus has been given to recruitment and retention of officials. Complaints regarding officials must be reported to Association Presidents and as well as to the BCLOG.

7. **Credentials Report.** Myrna Cable provided the Credentials Report. Out of a possible 335 votes, there were 225 voting delegates in attendance at the BCLA AGM. The breakdown is as follows:

Executive	8 out of a possible 9
Minor Box	109 out of a possible 127
Senior Box	53 out of a possible 91
Field	34 out of a possible 66
Vol Tech	0 out of a possible 6
Officials	14 out of a possible 22
Coaches	6 out of a possible 14
Total	224 out of a possible 335 Voting Delegates

8. **Proposed Amendments**

a) **BCLA Constitution and By-Laws:**

It was moved by Brad Hara, seconded by Sean Lehman that all references to gender pronouns (i.e., he, him, his, she, her, her's) contained in the BCLA Constitution/ByLaws are replaced with appropriate language (i.e., the athlete, the coach, the official, the individual, etc.). CARRIED

b) **BCLA General Operating Policy:**

It was moved by Terry Kirstiuk, seconded by Loren McLnerney that in APPENDIX B: BCLA Fee Schedule, all of the 2019-2020 BCLA per player registration fees shall be increased by \$1.00, with the exception of development and recreational fees (Masters, Senior Female Box, etc.) that would read:

SENIOR AND MINOR BOX LACROSSE PLAYER REGISTRATION – 2020 Season			
REGISTRATION	TEAM FEE	INSURANCE	PER PLAYER
Senior A	\$250	\$385	\$56
Senior B	\$150	\$385	\$56
Senior C	\$150	\$385	Year 1 \$15 Year 2 \$25 Year 3 \$56
Junior A	\$150	\$220	\$52
Junior B – Tiers 1/2/3	\$100	\$220	\$52
Midget/Junior (Minor/Female)			\$46
Bantam (Minor/Female)			\$46
PeeWee (Minor/Female)			\$46
Novice (Minor/Female)			\$45
Tyke			\$45
Mini-Tyke			\$42

Female Box Lacrosse Recreational	\$15
Minor Box (First year associations)	\$15
Minor Box (Second year associations)	\$25

DEVELOPMENT
SENIOR BOX LACROSSE PLAYER REGISTRATION – 2020 Season

	INSURANCE FEE	PER PLAYER REGISTRATION
Senior Box	\$385	Year 1 \$15 Year 2 \$25 Year 3 \$56
Junior Box	\$220	Year 1 \$15 Year 2 \$25 Year 3 \$52

FIELD LACROSSE PLAYER REGISTRATION – 2019-2020 Season

	REGISTRATION
Senior	\$53
Youth	\$47
Girls Field Lacrosse (House League – U19 and Below)	\$15
Youth Field/Girls Field (first year associations)	\$15
Youth Field/Girls Field (second year associations)	\$25

CARRIED

It was moved by Brad Hara, seconded by Tricia Rachfall that all references to gender pronouns (i.e., him, his, she, her, her’s) contained in the BCLA Operating Policy are replaced with appropriate language (i.e., the athlete, the coach, the official, the individual, etc.). CARRIED

It was moved by Chris Scott, seconded by Dave Wilkie to add REGULATION 1: CODE OF CONDUCT, 1.02 that would read:

1.02 Conduct to Protect Children:

The safety, rights, and well-being of children is a priority of the BC Lacrosse Association (BCLA) and its membership. We nurture supportive relationships with children while balancing and encouraging appropriate boundaries. All staff, members and participants are expected to treat children with respect and dignity. They are to establish, respect and maintain appropriate boundaries with all children and families involved in activities and programs delivered by the BCLA and its members. All interactions and activities with children should be known to, and approved by, the member association and the parent/guardian of the child. For more information about Conduct to Protect Children - <https://www.protectchildren.ca/en/about-us/>.

CARRIED

It was moved by Curtis Smith, seconded by Nicole Kokoska to Amend REGULATION 7: PLAYER REGISTRATION, 7.05 that would read:

7.01 Out of Country residents may become members on an annual basis by applying for placement through a league and ratification by the appropriate Directorate. Potential members must apply to Minor Box/Senior Box/Field Directorate for approval, and must follow the applicable registration and transfer procedures. Within Minor Box and Youth Field, **an Out of Country** player is not permitted to displace a resident player; specifically, resident players cannot be released if **Out of Country** players are being accepted by a club (this does not speak to the calibre or tier that either player will achieve after association tryouts).

CARRIED

It was moved by Richard Bonnar, seconded by Don Scott to amend REGULATION 11: SUSPENSIONS AND DISCIPLINE, 11.01 that would read:

- 11.01 All BCLA members shall recognize that all disciplinary actions and suspensions given in the Field Directorate, Senior Directorate, Minor Directorate, Recreation Directorate, BC Lacrosse Coaches Technical Support Group, BC Lacrosse Volunteer Leadership Technical Support Group and the BC Lacrosse Officials Technical Support Group will be served in that Directorate or Technical Support Group, unless upon a recommendation of the residing body, it is deemed by the BCLA Executive that the infraction warrants a suspension from all sectors or any other sectors of the BCLA. An exception to this will be when a suspension is due to non-payment of funds owing to the BCLA Office, Team or League. When a suspension is for outstanding monies, the suspension will apply to all Directorates and Technical Support Groups. The only other exception will be that a Minor Directorate player is not permitted to play with a Senior Directorate team *or Recreation Directorate team* until the player's suspension with the Minor team has been served and if a Minor Directorate player receives a suspension while playing up on a Senior Directorate team *or Recreation Directorate team*, the player is not able to play for their minor team until the suspension for the allotted number of games assessed in the Senior Directorate *or Recreation Directorate* has been served with the team the player is registered with. Coaches who receive a suspension in Minor or Senior *or Recreation* are not permitted to coach at any level until the suspension has been served in the level at which the suspension was given.

CARRIED

It was moved by Brad Hara, seconded by Chris Scott to add a new REGULATION 19: TRANSPORTATION BY VOLUNTEER DRIVERS that would read:

- 19.01 The BC Lacrosse Association (BCLA) recognizes that there will be times when private vehicles are used to transport athletes, coaches, referees and/or volunteers (other than within a family), and the BCLA values the involvement and commitment of volunteer drivers.
- 19.02 Any volunteer driver willing to provide transportation where needed for organized lacrosse activities, must review and comply with the following conditions:
- a) The Insurance Corporation of British Columbia (ICBC) considers drivers to be "volunteers" as long as they are reimbursed only for reasonable expenses. A volunteer who is paid a wage or is reimbursed for that individual's time is no longer considered a "volunteer" and is to contact his/her Autoplan agent as it may be necessary for the volunteer's vehicle to be rated for "business use".
 - b) The driver must hold a valid British Columbia (ICBC) driver's licence (Novice Stage or Full Privilege only). ***Volunteer drivers must be twenty-five (25) years or older.***
 - c) The vehicle must have standard insurance coverage with ICBC.
 - d) The vehicle must have one (1) seatbelt available for every passenger, including the driver. Drivers are responsible for complying with all child restraint requirements.
 - e) The number of persons being transported in the vehicle must not exceed the normal carrying capacity of that vehicle.
 - f) The vehicle must be maintained in sound mechanical order.
 - g) A vehicle with a seating capacity of more than ten (10) persons, including the driver, is classified by the Motor Vehicle Branch as a "bus". A "bus" used to transport athletes, coaches, referees and/or volunteers is required to have a valid Class 4 Driver's License issued by the Motor Vehicle Branch. This will include volunteers' vehicles and rental vehicles used for athletes, coaches, referees and/or volunteers transportation.
 - h) Volunteers who rent vehicles to transport athletes, coaches, referees and/or volunteers must be aware of the appropriate requirements for driver's license classifications, third party liability insurance limits, and bus permits, particularly when renting vehicles, which have a capacity to carry more than ten people, including the driver. Vehicle capacity, and not the number of passengers being carried, is the determining factor. Only drivers who are declared to the rental agency are allowed to drive (confirm minimum age requirement for operating a rental vehicle with the rental agency). Insurance coverage is voided if an undeclared driver drives the vehicle.

- i) There is no medical, dental or disability coverage for volunteers. If a volunteer is injured by the actions of other people, the volunteer still has the right of common law action and in the case of automobile-related injuries, ICBC coverage may apply.
- j) All incidents of injury or vehicle accidents must be reported to the individual's respective Association/Club/League immediately.

*It was moved by Tony Spagnuolo, seconded by Greg Toll that this motion be amended by removing the sentence: **Volunteer drivers must be twenty-five (25) years or older.** The original mover and seconder were asked for a friendly amendment which was approved. The amended motion was CARRIED.*

Re-number subsequent regulations.

REGULATION 16: CONCUSSION AWARENESS AND EDUCATION was **WITHDRAWN** by **Tony Spagnuolo, BCLA VP – Administration/Finance.** The **BCLA Board** will conduct further research and opinions, and will propose an alternative **Concussion Awareness and Education policy** when available.

9. Election of Officers.

- 1. Secretary (2-Year Term).** A secret ballot vote was held. Angie Schwan is the BCLA Secretary. Secretary will cast a ballot. Myrna Cable was thanked for her years of service in this position, and was wished well by the membership with Tony's and Myrna's move to Calgary.
- 2. Vice President – Operations (2-Year Term).** Greg Toll won by acclamation. Secretary will cast a ballot.
- 3. Vice President – Performance Programs (2-Year Term).** A secret ballot vote was held. Gord Kask is the BCLA Vice President – Performance Programs. Secretary will cast a ballot. Tyson Leies was thanked for his years of service in this position.
- 4. Director at Large (2-Year Term).** Dave Jenkins won by acclamation. The Secretary will cast a ballot.

It was moved by Greg Toll, seconded by Doug Wright to destroy the ballots. CARRIED

9. New Business: There was no new business.

10. Adjournment. *It was moved by Beth McLucas, seconded by Greg Toll that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting adjourned at 2:20 PM. CARRIED*

IN ATTENDANCE

David Jenkins, BCLA Board
Dennis Quigley, BCLA Board
Gerry Van Beek, BCLA Board
Greg Toll, BCLA Board
Myrna Cable, BCLA Board
Terry Mosdell, BCLA Board
Tony Spagnuolo, BCLA Board
Tyson Leies, BCLA Board
Kelly Fines, BCLCG
Naomi Walsler, BCLCG
Rob Arden, BCLCG
Russ Sheppard, BCLCG
Scott Jensen, BCLCG
Shawn Donahue, BCLCG
Brian Lister, BCLOG
Doug Wright, BCLOG
Dylan Taylor, BCLOG
Jarrett Smith, BCLOG
Jody Weatherby, BCLOG
Lee Brien, BCLOG
Meaghan Snow, BCLOG
Rob Cook, BCLOG
Ryan Nose, BCLOG
Sean Lehman, BCLOG
Sydney Hara, BCLOG
Ted Baranyai, BCLOG
Wes Tyre, BCLOG
Wilson Louie, BCLOG
Dirk Rachfall, Field Directorate
Kellie Ohlmann, Field Directorate
Tricia Rachfall, Field Directorate
Jason Kump, Fld - PCFL
Tammy McDougall, Fld - VI
Nicole Wikjord, Fld - Bby
Rhonda Manson, Fld - Bby
Tyler Crompton, Fld - Chk
Valerie Leroux, Fld - Chk
Lockwood, AJ, Fld - Kam
Elliott, Dana, Fld - Kam
Allison Zumbo, Fld - Kel
Alex Vanichuk, Fld - Lng
Heidi Lai, Fld - Lng
Nicole Kokoska, Fld - Msn
Danielle Tyre, Fld - Nan
Sean Pendergast, Fld - Nan
Brande Terris, Fld - Nan
Chris Giszas, Fld - Nan
Christina Pendergast, Fld - Nan
Lynda Callard, Fld - Nwr
Mark Smith, Fld - Nwr
Dave Jamieson, Fld - Ocn
Chris Shortt, Fld - PacRim
Tara Amell, Fld - PacRim
Devena Steinmann, Fld - Rid
Andrea Rae Thauberger, Fld - Rid
Brooke Olson, Fld - Rid
Greg Paterson, Fld - Rmd
Darwin Dwornik, Fld - Shu
Nic Dos Santos, Fld - Sry
Susan Dos Santos, Fld - Sry
Curtis Pedersen, Fld - Valley
Melody Kurt, Fld - Van
Cody Cook, Fld - Vic
George Westwood, Fld - Vic
Angie Reid, WomFld - Sry
Brad Romano, WomFld - Bby
Gerald Wartak, WomFld - Lng
Ian Morris, WomFld - Rid
Julie Edgar, WomFld - Nwr
Shelley Bell, WomFld - Msn
Corinne Perriman, Minor Directorate
Dee Bowley-Cowan, Minor Directorate
Gord McIntosh, Minor Directorate
Karyn Yasinsky, Minor Directorate
Mary Clare, Minor Directorate
Michael O'Connor, Minor Directorate
Pam Mason, Minor Directorate
Richard Paciejewski, Minor Directorate
Shane Mellish, Minor Directorate
Wuilbert Jaramillo, Minor Directorate
Brook Webster, TOMLC
Brian Boas, VIMLC
Leanne Garnett, VIMLC

John Stevens, GWNLC
Beth McLucas, LMMLC
Becky Topnik, Min - Abb
Terri Abrams, Min - Abb
Liz Lego, Min - Bby
Michelle Romano, Min - Bby
Simon Gee, Min - Bby
Susan Kirkby, Min - Bby
Tom Kellett, Min - Bby
Justine Taylor, Min - Cam
Mark Taylor, Min - Cam
Angie Wolfe, Min - Chk
Chris Charlton, Min - Chk
Chris Veenstra, Min - Chk
Doug Kampen, Min - Com
Geoff Garbutt, Min - Com
Garrett Ungaro, Min - Coq
Mark Lacroix, Min - Coq
Mike Quinn, Min - Coq
Monica Reis, Min - Coq
Rita Isaacs, Min - Coq
Chris Mehnert, Min - Coq
Connor Hollingshead, Min - Coq
Chad O'Brien, Min - Cow
Dallas Lister, Min - Cow
Lorne Winship, Min - Cow
Amanda Douglas, Min - Del
Greg Leong, Min - Del
Matt Taylor, Min - Del
Curtis Smith, Min - Del
Andrea Harvey, Min - Jdf
Evelyn Sutton, Min - Jdf
Liz Hyland, Min - Jdf
Ryan Hyland, Min - Jdf
Tim Frost, Min - Jdf
Jessica Nakashimada, Min - Kam
Karen von Hollen, Min - Kam
Karsha Bankier, Min - Kam
Kevin Bankier, Min - Kam
Rhonda Gelsvik, Min - Kel
Rob Zumbo, Min - Kel
Andy King, Min - Kel
Brad Gelsvik, Min - Kel
Debbie Jones, Min - Kel
Cou Lai, Min - Lng
Darren Buchan, Min - Lng
Sandra Margetson, Min - Lng
Troy Margetson, Min - Lng
Wendy Thomson, Min - Lng
Jamie Hooper, Min - Msn
Jeff MacAulay, Min - Msn
Owen Munro, Min - Msn
Damian Sutton, Min - Nan
Lisa Sutton, Min - Nan
Lonny Sullivan, Min - Nan
Ron Dmytruk, Min - Nan
Andy Reynolds, Min - Nan
Casey Sherriff, Min - Nok
Travis Mann, Min - Nok
Gord Withers, Min - Nsh
Mark Birrell, Min - Nsh
Bill Tyler, Min - Nwr
Jason Plante, Min - Nwr
Karen Poole, Min - Nwr
Kevin Stewardson, Min - Nwr
Rich Catton, Min - Nwr
Cameron Miller, Min - Ocn
Jason Hassey, Min - Ocn
Jason O'Connell, Min - Ocn
Stephanie Cain, Min - Ocn
Chad Miller, Min - Pco
Jennifer Lambert, Min - Pco
Josh Wahl, Min - Pco
Mike Newton, Min - Pco
Stacy Hemmerling, Min - Pco
Anita Davidson, Min - Pen
Phil Di Battista, Min - Pen
Ruth Saunders, Min - Pen
Shannon Rennie, Min - Pen
Jason Syrotuck, Min - Pen
Allen Wales, Min - Pmd
Bob Bradley, Min - Pmd
Brent Thompson, Min - Pmd
Scott Brown, Min - Prg
Tyler Boyer, Min - Pta

Jaime Yerbury, Min - Rid
John Olson, Min - Rid
Kyle McIntosh, Min - Rid
Marcello Gonzales, Min - Rid
Rich Bonner, Min - Rid
Robb Alexander, Min - Rid
Curtis Todd, Min - Rid
Curt Malawsky, Min - Rid
Alex Miller, Min - Rmd
Lauri Kerr, Min - Rmd
Andy Stuart, Min - Saa
James Scott, Min - Saa
Sharon Allen, Min - Saa
Maury Pearson, Min - Sem
Rob Baker, Min - Sem
Heather Davis, Min - Shu
Jeff Glass, Min - Sry
Karen Piper, Min - Sry
Ryan Paddon, Min - Sry
Sean Reid, Min - Sry
Dean Mural, Min - Sun
Terry Ratcliff, Min - Sun
Mark Collett, Min - Van
Michael Hagel, Min - Van
Bruce Alexander, Min - Veq
Don Scott, Senior Directorate
Judy Regier, Senior Directorate
Terry Kirstiuk, Senior Directorate
Paul Dal Monte, WLA
Gene Regier, WCSrB
Jeff Hanley, TOSrC
Terry Foulds, PrgSrC
Bridget Hughes, SrC - VI
Karl Christiansen, BCJrA
Dave Wilkie, BCJrBT1
Duane Barr, TOJrBT1
Frazer MacDonald, WCJrBT2
Marilyn Nicholl, WCJrBT2
Pam Johnson, WCJrBT2
Sam Hofer, PNWJrBT2
Brian Borkowsky, SrA - Mpr
Chris Welch, SrA - Vic
Dennis Santucci, SrA - Coq
Ken Buchan, SrA - Lng
Kevin Hill, SrA - Bby
Yvan Lomas, SrA - Coq
Natalie Cashmore, SrB - Nan
Randy Clough, SrB - Coq
Shawn Swanson, SrB - Nan
Tammy Tait, SrB - Nan
Albert Cooper, SrC - Mck
Bonnie-Jean Foulds, SrC - Prg
Chad Pieper, SrC - Arm
Chris Scott, SrC - Prg
Cole Paciejewski, SrC - Prg
Darcy Dagan, SrC - Rmd
Lisa Scott, SrC - Qnl
Nick Thomas, SrC - Pmd
Wilson Williams, SrC - Nsh
Brad Hara, JrA - Bby
James Abbott, JrA - Coq
Ken Woollard, JrA - Pco
Linda Buchan, JrA - Lng
Rod Wood, JrA - Vic
Suzanne Belanger, JrB - Wkn
April Thompson, JrBT1 - Sok
Dave Bailuk, JrBT1 - Mpr
Dave Kidd, JrBT1 - Pco
Harold Mann, JrBT1 - Vern
Jodi Buchan, JrBT1 - Lng
Ken Spare, JrBT1 - Rmd
Loren McInerney, JrBT1 - Vic
Tamara McMinn, JrBT1 - Bby
Andrea Churchill, JrBT2 - Saa
Braden Wilkins, JrBT2 - Sry
Ernie Meyer, JrBT2 - Mpr
James Lego, JrBT2 - Bby
Jed Sigfusson, JrBT2 - Pmd
John Shafi, JrBT2 - Ocn
Ken Alexander, JrBT2 - WS
Lori Jacobs, JrBT2 - Nsh
Monica Johnny, JrBT2 - Nan
Rennae Allan, JrBT2 - Ocn
Ron Harvey, JrBT2 - Pco
William Johnny, JrBT2 - Nan