



**BC LACROSSE FIELD DIRECTORATE
2019 SPECIAL SESSION**

**Saturday, April 6, 2019
Executive Burnaby Hotel, Burnaby, BC**

MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 10:10 AM with Chair Dirk Rachfall presiding. Dirk clarified the voting procedures for the meeting.
- 2. Attendance, Accreditation and Introductions** – Dirk welcomed the group. Asked group to introduce themselves. Introduced Field Directorate. Explained voting card colors.
 - There are a total of **36** out of a possible **75** voting delegates in attendance
- 3. Approval of 2019 Field Directorate Special Session Agenda**
 - a. Referees and Umpires added to the agenda

It was moved by Dylan Taylor, seconded by Susan Adams dos Santos that the Agenda be accepted as presented. CARRIED
- 4. Approval of April 7, 2018 Field Directorate Special Session Minutes**

It was moved by Trish Keizer, seconded by Dylan Taylor that the Minutes of the 2018 Field Directorate Special Session be adopted as circulated. CARRIED
- 5. Business Arising from Minutes-**
 - a. Review of Game Sheet Changes
 - Changes were made and implemented and trialled. Feedback asked for the top two pages to be for the winning team and the losing team gets the back page. This stays consistent with past game sheets and box sheets.
- 6. Reports – Appendix A**
 - a) Chair (Dirk Rachfall)
 - b) Vice Chair – Youth Field (Beth McLucas)
 - 2019 U18/U15/U13/ Tiers 1/2 Youth Field Provincial Report
 - 2019 U15/U12 Women’s Field Provincial Report
 - 2019 U11 Provincial Tournament Report
 - Pacific Coast Field Lacrosse League Chair (Trish Keizer) – special thank you to Trish from the floor for all her work over the last few years as PCFLL Chair.
 - Vancouver Island Field Lacrosse League Chair (Tammy McDougall)
 - Interior Field Lacrosse Chair (Wuilbert Jaramillo)
 - c) Vice Chair – Men’s Field (Mary Clare)
 - Canada West Field Lacrosse League
 - Men’s Provincials taking place in Langley, April 19-21, volunteers welcome
 - d) Vice Chair - Women’s Field Lacrosse – Kellie Ohlmann
 - e) BCLA Field Registrar (Corinne Perriman)
 - f) BCLCA Vice Chair – Men’s Field (Shawn Donahue)
 - Question from the floor – Can there be Coaching Clinics held in August? Looking at this and plan is to hold some earlier for the upcoming season.
 - g) BCLCA Vice Chair – Women’s Field (Naomi Walser)

- h) BCLOA Vice Chair – Men’s Field (Ryan Nose)
 - High School RIC (Jody Weatherby)
 - PCFLL RIC Report (Jody Weatherby)
 - VIYFLL RIC Report (Wes Tyre)
- i) BCLOA Vice Chair – Women’s Field (Sydney Hara)
- j) Team BC – Field Lacrosse Program (Rey Comeault)
- k) High School Field (Daren Fridge)

It was moved by Beth McLucas and seconded by Trish Keizer, that the reports be accepted as presented – CARRIED

7. Operating Policy Proposed Amendments

Motion Proposed from the Floor: It was moved by Trish Keizer, seconded by Angie Reid to:

To approve all motions that are identified as housekeeping. CARRIED

It was moved by Tricia Rachfall, seconded by Beth McLucas to:

Add new STATEMENT OF CLARIFICATION under the headings YOUTH FIELD OPERATING POLICY, SENIOR MEN’S FIELD OPERATING POLICY AND WOMEN’S FIELD OPERATING POLICY following the heading, prior to the first Regulation to read:

All General Regulations (Regulations 1-12) apply equally to all sectors of Youth, Senior Men’s and Women’s Field Lacrosse in addition to sector specific Regulations.

CARRIED

It was moved by Dylan Taylor, seconded by Shona Wallace to:

Amend REGULATION 1: JOB DESCRIPTIONS VICE CHAIR – WOMEN’S FIELD to read:

VICE CHAIR - WOMEN'S FIELD

- Will be the contact for all *senior women’s and* women’s teams for the BCLA Field Directorate
- Will assist in the development of *senior women’s and* women’s programs in BC
- Make sure that all provincials run smoothly by working with the host association
- Will be elected for a two-year term in even numbered years.

CARRIED

It was moved by Tyler Crompton, seconded by Margo Gallant to:

Amend REGULATION 3: PLAYING DIVISIONS, 3.01 to read:

- 3.01 The Field Lacrosse Directorate shall govern, promote and supervise competition for league play and the Provincial Finals in the following divisions:
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| Senior Men’s | 19 years and over |
| 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	<i>Must be 7 or under and at least 5 years old during the calendar year of the start of the season</i>
Senior Women's Field	20 years and over
U19 Women's Field	Under 19
U15 Women's Field	Under 15
U12 Women's Field	Under 12
U8 Women's Field	Under 8

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

DEFEATED – 14 for; 16 against

It was moved by Trish Keizer, seconded by Wuilbert Jaramillo to:

Amend REGULATION 3: PLAYING DIVISIONS, 3.01 to read:

3.01 The Field Lacrosse Directorate shall govern, promote and supervise competition for league play and the Provincial Finals in the following divisions:

Senior Men's	19 years and over
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 5 years old as of January 1 of the playing year
<i>U5 Field</i>	<i>Under 5 years (strictly introductory and developmental; this will be a co-ed division. Players from this age division are not permitted to play up to U7</i>
Senior Women's Field	20 years and over
U19 Women's Field	Under 19
U15 Women's Field	Under 15
U12 Women's Field	Under 12
U8 Women's Field	Under 8

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

CARRIED

It was moved by Beth McLucas, seconded by Trish Keizer to:

Add new REGULATION 1: PLAYING DIVISIONS, 3.02 to read read:

3.02 In Youth U13, U15 and U18 Tier 1 and 2, divisions may be formed and are the required declarations to be used for league and tournament play. In U11 Red, Blue and white divisions may be formed and are required to be used for league and tournament play. In Women's U12, U15 and U19, a Tier 1 and 2 league may be formed and are the required declarations to be used for league and tournament play.

Where an association has two or more Teams in any one-age division Tier, those teams must be equally balanced by calibre and strength, with the exception of Tier1

with local league approval, then to be approved by the Field Directorate. Failure to obtain approval before the start of the season from the local league and Field Directorate will make the teams ineligible for Playdowns and Provincial Championships. In U13 Youth/Women's U12 and above, Tier 1 and 2 divisions shall be recognized by the BCLA for Provincial Championship purposes.

DEFEATED – 8 for; 12 against

It was moved by Kellie Ohlmann, seconded by Dylan Taylor to:

Amend REGULATION 6: FACILITIES, 6.07 to read:

6.07 (a) Youth U7 and U9 age divisions will play on a smaller scale field with modified dimensions.

(b) Women's U8 and U12 age divisions will play on a smaller scale field with modified dimensions.

CARRIED

It was moved by Ryan Nose, seconded by Dylan Taylor to:

Amend REGULATION 7: TOURNAMENTS, 7.04 to read:

7.04 No more than two games per calendar day will be scheduled for each team during tournament play. But teams may play up to three modified or mini games during tournament play per calendar day. No player may play in more than the maximum number of games. A copy of the tournament schedule must be submitted to the Field Directorate.

U7 – 4 x 8 minute quarters

U9 – 4 x 10 minute quarters

U11/U13/U15/U18/Men's – 4 x 12 minute quarters

It was moved by Ryan Nose, seconded by Wuilbert Jaramillo to further amend the regulation to read:

REGULATION 7: TOURNAMENTS, 7.04 to read:

7.04 No more than two games per calendar day will be scheduled for each team during tournament play. But teams may play up to three modified or mini games during tournament play per calendar day. No player may play in more than the maximum number of games. A copy of the tournament schedule must be submitted to the Field Directorate.

U7 – 4 x 8 minute quarters maximum

U9 – 4 x 10 minute quarters maximum

U11/U13/U15/U18/Men's – 4 x 12 minute quarters maximum

Amendment CARRIED.

Amended Motion CARRIED

Housekeeping only - passed by group motion to:

Amend REGULATION 7: TOURNAMENTS, 7.09 to read:

7.09 Where there are two or more teams from one Association in **Youth** U7, U9 and **Women U8** crisscross of players from one team to another, where it is necessary for entry into a tournament and for tournament play only, will be allowed with permission from the Association's President and League Chair. To have players crisscross laterally, this shall be limited to a maximum of four (4) players per tournament entered. Each player is only able to crisscross over laterally a maximum of one (1) tournament in the season.

CARRIED

It was moved by Beth McLucas, seconded by Margot Gallant to:

Add new REGULATION 7: TOURNAMENTS, 7.09 to read:

7.09 Once a team is fully registered and confirmed by the Tournament Host, "failure to show" at any game by any team registered in a sanctioned tournament will result in a maximum fine of \$500 to the Home Association of said team, subject to extenuating circumstances as accepted by the Field Directorate. Instances of "failure to show" shall be reported to the Field Directorate for a decision as to whether the instance was a valid "failure to show" and if the extenuating circumstances, if any, were warranted.

Renumber - Current 7.09 becomes 7.10, 7.10 becomes 7.11, and 7.11 becomes 7.12

CARRIED

It was moved by Dirk Rachfall, seconded by Trish Keizer to:

Amend REGULATION 12: SUSPENSIONS, 12.10 (a) to read:

12.10 (a) A suspended coach may only serve the suspension during games played by the team the coach received the suspension for; however, a coach is suspended from all **BCLA** activities until such suspension is served.

It was moved by Dirk Rachfall, seconded by Shawn Donahue to further amend the motion to read:

12.10 (a) A suspended coach may only serve the suspension during games played by the team the coach received the suspension for; however, a coach is suspended from all **BCLA Field Lacrosse related** activities until such suspension is served.

Amendment CARRIED.

Amended motion CARRIED

It was moved by Kellie Ohlmann, seconded by Sydney Hara to:

Remove second paragraph in REGULATION 13: YOUTH PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION, 13.05 to read:

- 13.05 (a) The Club/Association must submit one copy of each player's BCLA-approved, completed Youth Field registration form and waiver for those players who register manually. Also required is a team list generated from the on-line database and any applicable signed supporting forms (Player Transfers, Playing Down forms) and required fees to the BCLA Office by October 31 of each playing year (Sept-Aug).

CARRIED

It was moved by Tricia Rachfall, seconded by Wuilbert Jaramillo to:

Add new paragraph (b) to 13: YOUTH PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION, 13.05 to read:

- 13.05 (b) *Each Association will submit to the BCLA Office, prior to October 31 of each playing year, a team list generated from the on-line database for each team in the Association. One hard copy of each manual registration and waiver form is required with the Team List (it is not necessary to print/submit copies of the on-line registrations). The manual player registration form must be signed by the parent/guardian and the Association Registrar. Failure to comply with said dates will result in the offending Association to be fined \$250.00 and another \$250.00 for each additional seven-day period that the registration forms are not received. For any subsequent paperwork corrections required by the Field Directorate Lacrosse Registrar, this must be submitted by December 1 of the playing year of the Association's team(s) will be unable to declare for Provincials.*

CARRIED

It was moved by Kellie Ohlmann, seconded by Trish Keizer to:

Remove "See Regulation 9.05" from REGULATION 13: YOUTH PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION, 13.07 (c) to read:

- 13.07 (c) No player registrations will be accepted after October 31 without first obtaining the League's approval. The League Commissioner will not be able to approve any registrations after November 30.

CARRIED

It was moved by Beth McLucas, seconded by Trish Keizer to:

Add new REGULATION 13.09: YOUTH PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION to read:

- 13.09** *For those players attending a specialized or academy school that is far enough from their principle residence that they must live away from their immediate family and be billeted, will provide proof of school attendance in way of a school transcript. The billeted address will be recorded in the comments section in the registration database if the home address is being used as the address. The player will be placed where the commission feels it would be in the best interest of the league. If the player wishes to move back to his/her original home Association before the November 30 deadline, policy 13.08 will apply.*

CARRIED: 14 for; 5 against

Renumber: Current 13.09 becomes 13.10 and 13.10 becomes 13.11.

It was moved by Kellie Ohlmann, seconded by Trish Keizer to:

Add new REGULATION 14: YOUTH MOVES, 14.02 to read:

14.02 In cases where the player’s parents/guardians have joint custody (proof shall be provided in writing to an Association President and Registrar) and the child lives with both parents, residency shall be based on the residence in which the child spends the majority of time. If the custody arrangement is 50/50 and the parents live in different Association boundaries, the child can choose which Association he/she will play with in the first year. In subsequent years, in order to change Associations, both parents must provide a Statutory Declaration which states which parent the child is living with, the address where the child currently resides, and which school the child is attending. At any time, if further confirmation is required to verify school attendance, the parent, upon request, will provide a letter of authorization to the school directing the school to provide the BCLA representative with information as to the address of the player.

CARRIED

Renumber: 14.02 to 14.03, etc.

Housekeeping only – passed by group motion to:

Delete the reference to “14.06” from REGULATION 18: YOUTH TEAM DISBANDING 18.02 to read:

18.02 Associations/teams must resubmit their team declarations if they have received disbanded players after the declaration date. If an association/team does not resubmit after receiving a disbanded player, it may result in that player being ineligible for Provincials.
Timeframe to be determined by the Field Directorate

CARRIED

Housekeeping only – passed by group motion to:

Remove 3rd bullet from REGULATION 19: YOUTH COACHES 19.01 to read:

19.01 All leagues are required to have a position of “Coaching Coordinator”. This person’s role will be responsible:

- For the liaison between the BCLCG Vice-Chair Men’s Field and the respective Association or Club Coaching Coordinators
- To forward all coaching requirements and/or problems to the BCLCG.
- To ensure all deadlines are adhered to by the Association or Club Coaching Coordinators
- To act as a member of the Discipline Committee when required.
- To attend all meetings of the BCLCG.

CARRIED

It was moved by Ryan Nose, seconded by Margot Gallant to:

Delete REGULATION 20: YOUTH OFFICIALS 20.05 to read:

20.05 An official shall not referee a sibling, child, parent or immediate relation whether by blood or relationship except in extenuating circumstances and agreed to by both teams. Both coaches must sign the top of the scoresheet to verify agreement prior to the start of the game.

CARRIED

It was moved by Ryan Nose, seconded by Bill Tyler to:

Amend REGULATION 21: YOUTH PLAYING RULES 21.04 to read:

21.04 No team or player may be scheduled for, or play in, more than two regulation length games per day, and no more than three mini-games per day. Exceptions for goalies may apply.

U7 – 4 x 8 minute quarters

U9 – 4 x 10 minute quarters

U11/U13/U15/U18 – 4 x 12 minute quarters

It was moved by Ryan Nose, seconded by Shawn Donahue to further amend the motion to read:

21.04 No team or player may be scheduled for, or play in, more than two regulation length games per day, and no more than three mini-games per day. Exceptions for goalies may apply.

U7 – 4 x 8 minute quarters maximum

U9 – 4 x 10 minute quarters maximum

U11/U13/U15/U18 – 4 x 12 minute quarters maximum

Amendment CARRIED.

Amended Motion CARRIED

It was moved by Ryan Nose, seconded by Shawn Donahue to:

Amend REGULATION 26: SENIOR PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION 26.05 (d) to read:

- d) All players must be registered and their registration cards must be into the Field Registrar within forty-eight (48) hours of their first game *with a signed waiver and player code of conduct.*

CARRIED

It was moved by Mary Clare, seconded by Trish Keizer to:

Amend REGULATION 27: SENIOR TEAM SIZE 27.01 to read:

27.01 Minimum of ten (10) registered players per team. *No team under the jurisdiction of the Vice Chair, Senior Men's Field shall have more than thirty (30) signed players, except with special permission of the Field Directorate.*

CARRIED

It was moved by Ryan Nose, seconded by Beth McLucas to:

Delete REGULATION 30: SENIOR OFFICIALS 30.02 to read:

30.02 All associations must ensure that each of their teams has a minimum of three (3) field lacrosse referees, certified for the current playing season available for refereeing hosted games.

CARRIED

Housekeeping only – passed by group motion to:

Amend REGULATION 31: SENIOR PLAYING RULES 31.02 to read:

31.02 The Field Directorate will instruct member associations they must adhere to the **FIL** rules, CLA rules and policy, and to the BCLA Field Directorate Operating Policy as written.

CARRIED

It was moved by Ryan Nose, seconded by Shawn Donahue to:

Amend REGULATION 31: SENIOR PLAYING RULES 31.04 to read:

31.04 No more than two regulation length games per day and no more than three mini-games (*4 x 12 minute quarters*) per day will be scheduled for each team.

It was moved by Ryan Nose, seconded by Shawn Donahue to further amend the motion to read:

31.04 No more than two regulation length games per day and no more than three mini-games (*4 x 12 minute quarters maximum*) per day will be scheduled for each team.

Amendment CARRIED.

Amended Motion CARRIED

It was moved by Mary Clare, seconded by Beth McLucas to:

Amend REGULATION 32: SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS 32.12 to read:

32.12 **Venue.**

It is the responsibility of the Host Association to set dates and places of the Senior Men's Provincial Championships. The date will not be later than **April 30**. The host responsibilities of the Associations, Clubs or Zone to host provincial championships will be declared by the Field Directorate.

CARRIED

It was moved by Angie Reid, seconded by Stacy Paterson to:

Amend REGULATION 36: WOMEN'S PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION, 36.02 to read:

36.02 Registration of the above association and other obligations to the BCLA shall entitle an association to register players with the Field Directorate. The Women's Field *fall/winter* season shall be September-*February and the Women's Field spring/summer season shall be February-August.*

DEFEATED

Housekeeping as per youth policy previously passed – passed by group motion to:

Add (b) to REGULATION 36: WOMEN'S PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION 36.05 to read:

36.05 (b) *Each Association will submit to the BCLA Office, prior to October 31 of each playing year, a team list generated from the on-line database for each team in the Association. One hard copy of each manual registration and waiver form is required with the Team List (it is not necessary to print/submit copies of the on-line registrations). The manual player registration form must be signed by the parent/guardian and the Association Registrar. Failure to comply with said dates will result in the offending Association to be fined \$250.00, and another \$250.00 for each additional seven-day period that the registration forms are not received. For any subsequent paperwork corrections required by the Field Directorate Lacrosse Registrar, this must be submitted by December 1 of the playing year or the Association's team(s) will be unable to declare for Provincial.*

CARRIED

Housekeeping as per youth policy previously passed – passed by group motion to:

Delete second paragraph of REGULATION 36: WOMEN'S PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION 36.05 to read:

36.05 The Club/Association must submit one copy of each player's BCLA-approved, completed Women's Field registration form and waiver for those players who register manually. Also required is a team list generated from the on-line database and any applicable signed supporting forms (Player Transfers, Playing Down forms) and required fees to the BCLA Office by October 31 of each playing year (Sept-Aug).

CARRIED

It was moved by Shona Wallace, seconded by Angie Reid to:

Amend REGULATION 36: WOMEN'S PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION, 36.05 to read:

36.05 (a) The Club/Association must submit one copy of each player's BCLA-approved, completed Women's Field registration form and waiver for those players who register manually. Also required is a team list generated from the on-line database and any applicable signed supporting forms (Player Transfers, Playing

Down forms) and required fees to the BCLA Office by October 31 of each playing year (Sept-Aug).

***b) added as per earlier amendment – please see and add only c) below

- (c) *The Club/Association must submit one copy of each player's BCLA-approved, completed Women's Field registration form and waiver for those players who register manually. Also required is a team list generated from the on-line database and any applicable signed supporting forms (Player Transfers, Playing Down forms) and required fees to the BCLA Office by April 30 of each playing year (Feb-July).*

It was moved by Shona Wallace, seconded by Angie Reid to further amend the motion to read:

- 36.05 (a) The Club/Association must submit one copy of each player's BCLA-approved, completed Women's Field registration form and waiver for those players who register manually. Also required is a team list generated from the on-line database and any applicable signed supporting forms (Player Transfers, Playing Down forms) and required fees to the BCLA Office by October 31 of each playing year (Sept-Aug).

***b) added as per earlier amendment – please see and add only c) below

- (c) *The Club/Association must submit one copy of each player's BCLA-approved, completed Senior Women's Field registration form and waiver for those players who register manually. Also required is a team list generated from the on-line database and any applicable signed supporting forms (Player Transfers, Playing Down forms) and required fees to the BCLA Office by April 30 of each playing year*

Amendment CARRIED

Amended Motion: CARRIED

It was moved by Savanna Smith – Motion WITHDRAWN

Amend REGULATION 36: WOMEN'S PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION, 36.05 to read:

- 36.05 The Club/Association must submit one copy of each player's BCLA-approved, completed Women's Field registration form and waiver for those players who register manually. Also required is a team list generated from the on-line database and any applicable signed supporting forms (Player Transfers, Playing Down forms) and required fees to the BCLA Office by October 31 of each playing year (*Sept-Feb*).

Additional Women Field players may be added up to November 30 upon approval of the League Commissioner and League Executive.

It was moved by Kellie Ohlmann, seconded by Sydney Hara to:

Amend REGULATION 36: WOMEN'S PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION 36.07 to read:

- 36.07 (a) U8 teams must have a minimum number of four (4) registered players; U12 teams must have a minimum number eight (8) players and U15 and U19 teams must have a minimum of ten (10) players by the start of the playing season otherwise, that team will be disallowed from the regular scheduled games.
- (b) Any team found guilty of playing an unregistered player during a regularly scheduled game shall forfeit all games won during which said player was a participant. *The home Association will be fined \$250 if a player has played is found to be unregistered, defined as registered in the BCLA player database and all required, completed forms in the hands of the League Registrar (prior to Oct 31 deadline) or BCLA Registrar.*
- (c) *No player registrations will be accepted after October 31 without first obtaining the League's approval. Additional Women Field players may be added up to November 30 upon approval of the League Commissioner and League Executive.*
- (d) All players must be registered on-line and their registration cards must be in to the Field Registrar within forty-eight (48) hours of their first game. *An electronic copy of the registration card must be received by the League Registrar, Field Registrar, and Division Commissioner prior to the player's first game.*
- (e) To register these late players, the association will obtain approval from the League Commissioner. The Association Registrar or the League Registrar will provide an electronic copy of the registration to the Field Directorate Registrar supplying the player's name, address, birthdate, medical number, insurance waiver, and applicable team information. The Field Directorate Registrar will add the player's name to the appropriate team list and update the registration database. Within five (5) days the Association Registrar or the League Registrar will provide to the BCLA Office the original registration forms.

CARRIED

It was moved by Savanna Smith – Motion WITHDRAWN

Amend REGULATION 36: WOMEN'S PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION, 36.08 that would read:

- 36.08 No player may sign with two associations in *the same season of play* (unless properly released).
Exception: A female wishing to play Youth Field Lacrosse and Women's Field Lacrosse may do so within the same playing season, provided they are registered for both disciplines with their home association.

It was moved by Beth McLucas, seconded by Sydney Hara to:

Add new REGULATION 36: WOMEN'S PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION, 36.09 to read:

- 36.09 For those players attending a specialized or academy school that is far enough from their principle residence that they must live away from their immediate family and be billeted, will provide proof of school attendance in way of a school transcript. The*

billeted address will be recorded in the comments section in the registration database if the home address is being used as the address. The player will be placed where the commission feels it would be in the best interest of the League. If the player wishes to move back to his/her original home Association before the November 30 deadline, Policy 13.08 will apply.

CARRIED

It was moved by Kellie Ohlmann, seconded by Sydney Hara to:

Amend REGULATION 37: WOMEN'S TEAM SIZE to read:

37.01 No team under the jurisdiction of the Field Directorate shall have more than twenty (20) signed players except with special permission of the Field Directorate. The Field Directorate shall ratify the exceptions.

37.02 The U15, U19 *and Senior Women's* division teams must have a minimum of ten (10) registered players per team. The U8 division team must have a minimum of four (4) registered players. The U12 division must have a minimum of eight (8) registered players.

All divisions (U8, U12, U15 U19 *and Senior Women's*) may have a game roster of up to eighteen (18) (Rule 5, FIL Women's Official Rules)

37.03 Associations may not cap or waitlist any player until they have it has reached a roster size of twenty (20).

CARRIED

It was moved by Kellie Ohlmann, seconded by Sydney Hara to:

Add new REGULATION 37: WOMEN'S MOVES to read:

REGULATION 37: WOMEN'S MOVES

All players must sign and play with the associations which administers lacrosse within the boundaries in which that player permanently resides.

37.01 Upon request, a parent or legal guardian may be required to provide two (2) of the residency validation documentation below, if requested by the association registrar or the league. All bills must be current. Accepted documentation is:

- 1. Property tax bill where the primary residency grant has been claimed*
- 2. Hydro Bill*
- 3. Gas Bill*
- 4. Cable or Satellite Bill*

If none of the above documents can be provided because the parent/guardian rents and does not pay own utilities, then the following shall apply.

- 1. A letter from the Landlord verifying rental agreement AND*
- 2. Driver's License or other Government issued ID with current address*

37.02 In cases where the player's parents/guardians have joint custody (proof shall be provided in writing to an Association President and Registrar) and the child lives with both parents, residency shall be based on the residence in which the child spends the

majority of time. If the custody arrangement is 50/50 and the parents live in different Association boundaries, the child can choose which Association he/she will play with in the first year. In subsequent years, in order to change Associations, both parents must provide a Statutory Declaration which states which parent the child is living with, the address where the child currently resides, and which school the child is attending. At any time, if further confirmation is required to verify school attendance, the parent, upon request, will provide a letter of authorization to the school directing the school to provide the BCLA representative with information as to the address of the player.

- 37.03 If a player does not want to play with the home association, the player must obtain a release from the home association. With the written permission of the player's home association, local league may approve a move to an association other than that in which the player lives. A copy of the release must accompany the team registration form to the Field Registrar and the BCLA office.*
- 37.04 If there is a dispute, the League, after receiving a formal written request from the player's parent or guardian, will have the right to place the disputed player to an association where the League feels would be in the best interest of the league and the player.*
- 37.05 If the player has played the two previous consecutive seasons with same association as an eligible player (living within that association's home areas or properly released), the player is considered grandfathered with that association and has the option of signing and playing with either his/her home association or the association he/she previously played for.*
- 37.06 If an association signs an ineligible player the team of this ineligible player will forfeit all points earned until the player has been correctly registered.*
- 37.07 A player who is signed with an association and moves to another area during the playing season must receive permission from the Division Commissioner of his/her new area before he/she is eligible to play with a team in the new area.*
- If, after the declaration date, the team in which said player will be playing for will be allowed to resubmit their team declaration.*
- 37.08 Where no team is available within the players' age group, the player may play for another association with written release from his/her home association and written approval by the local league for the current playing season only. This release may not be counted as a grandfathering year. A copy of the release must accompany the team registration form to the Field Registrar and the BCLA office.*
- 37.09 No player may play with two associations in any year unless the requirements of Regulation 14 or 13.08, 36.08 or 37 are satisfied.*
- 37.10 If there is a dispute, the League will have the right to place the transferring player to the association where the League and Division Commissioner feel it would be in the best interest of the league and the player.*
- 37.11 Neighbouring associations may agree to boundaries that are different from municipal boundaries. A copy of the agreement must be filed with the League and a copy given to the BCLA Office for safekeeping. (This does not disallow any previously established boundaries agreed upon).*

37.12 *Any player found participating in any lacrosse-related activities with a team that the player is not officially registered with will have his/her release request automatically denied.*

CARRIED

It was moved by Savanna Smith - Motion WITHDRAWN

Amend REGULATION 38: WOMEN PLAYING UP, 38.01 that would read:

38.01 A player may play up one division or calibre higher than that in which she is registered, with the written permission of lower level coach *within the same season of play*.

It was moved by Savanna Smith - Motion WITHDRAWN

Amend REGULATION 39: WOMEN'S MOVEMENT – U19 TO SENIOR, 39.01, 1st paragraph to read:

39.01 No player qualified to play within the jurisdiction of the U19 Division shall sign a senior player registration form *within the same season of play*. She may have her registration form transferred to the Vice Chair – Women's Field after the following conditions are met:

Letters of agreement to the transfer, from the player, the player's parent/guardian, the player's home association and the Senior team the player wishes to transfer to, along with a letter requesting approval, shall be forwarded to the Field Directorate, and shall notify the appropriate Commissioner.

It was moved by Savanna Smith - Motion WITHDRAWN

Amend REGULATION 39: WOMEN'S MOVEMENT – U19 TO SENIOR, 39.02 that would read:

39.02 Notwithstanding the forgoing, a U19 Field player may play up in a higher league with permission of the U19 player's coach *during the same season of play, and the coach must* notify the Vice Chair of Women's Field.
Violation of any of the above shall result in suspension of the player and the coach of the Senior team for whom she played.

It was moved by Kellie Ohlmann, seconded by Sydney Hara to:

Amend REGULATION 40: WOMEN'S TEAM DISBANDING, 40.01 to read:

40.01 Proof of a team disbanding shall be written notification to the league chair and the league commissioner. On proof of a team disbanding, players are automatically released. If said team is a member of an organized league, the players shall not join one team, but shall be distributed among the remaining teams of the league, at the discretion of the Division Commissioner, with written confirmation.

Disbanding of a team means a team disbanding within a playing season, not after league season games are finished.

40.02 *Associations/teams must resubmit their team declarations if they have received disbanded players after the declaration date. If an Association/team does not resubmit after receiving a disbanded player, it may result in that player being ineligible for Provincials. Timeframe to be determined by the Field Directorate*

CARRIED

It was moved by Kellie Ohlmann, seconded by Sydney Hara to:

Add new REGULATION 42: WOMEN'S COACHES to read:

REGULATION 42: WOMEN'S COACHES

42.01 *All leagues are required to have a position of "Coaching Coordinator". This person's role will be responsible:*

- *For the liaison between the BCLCG Vice-Chair Women's Field and the respective Association or Club Coaching Coordinators*
- *To forward all coaching requirements and/or problems to the BCLCG.*
- *To ensure all deadlines are adhered to by the Association or Club Coaching Coordinators*
- *To act as a member of the Discipline Committee when required.*
- *To attend all meetings of the BCLCG.*

CARRIED

It was moved by Kellie Ohlmann, seconded by Sydney Hara to:

Amend REGULATION 42: WOMEN'S PLAYING RULES to read:

42.01 All games shall be played according to the playing rules set down by the Field Directorate, and ratified by the executive, prior to September 1st of the playing year.

42.02 The Field Directorate will instruct member associations they must adhere to the FIL rules, CLA rules and policy, and to the BCLA Field Directorate Operating Policy as written.

When traveling out of the BCLA governed areas, teams must adhere to host governing rules as well as the BCLA Policies.

42.03 Where there are two teams from one Association playing in one league, there is to be no cross-over of players from one team to another, and back and forth, after October 31 of the playing year. If said infraction occurs after October 31 of the playing year, the player would be eligible for her/his registered team only. Any team found guilty of playing an ineligible player during a regularly scheduled game shall forfeit all games won during which an ineligible player was a participant. Should this occur during provincials, then only the games played in the provincials will be awarded to the opposing side.

42.04 *Team standing in scheduled leagues shall be determined as follows:*

- A win shall count for two points*
- All draws or tied games, one point to each team*

42.05 In the event of a team defaulting a game, any legitimate expenses incurred as a consequence of the default shall be reimbursed by the defaulting association/club. The

- expenses will be paid to the non-offending association/club within **thirty** (30) days of the receipts received.
- 42.06** No team or player may be scheduled for, or play in, more than two regulation length games per day. Exceptions for goalies may apply.
- 42.07** Rules for Women's Field will be stated in the Field Directorate's Provincial Directive included in the coaches package and may be amended by the Field Directorate if necessary. These rules will be binding upon all play during provincials.
- 42.08** In the event of a defaulted game, the non-offending team shall be awarded a goal and shall be awarded two (2) points in league standings.
- 42.09** All Women's teams must be balanced when in a non-tiered league. When an Association has two or more teams in any one league (U12, U15, or U19) those teams must be equally balanced by calibre and strength. Associations that have two or more teams within a league will have until October 31 of the playing year to balance their teams accordingly.
- 42.10** Players within the Women's league may use a crosse which is FIL approved provided the crosse is deemed permissible by the Umpire during the stick-check prior to any league or Provincial game.
- 42.11** With the exception of the goalkeeper, all team members must be dressed uniformly. The goalkeeper's shirt must be the same as her/his team's top and must be worn over her chest and any shoulder/arm pads. The bottom of her/his uniform must be the same predominant colour of her/his team's kilt or shorts, or be a solid dark colour. The goalkeeper must wear a chest or body pad, a helmet with a chin strap that must be fastened, a facemask, and an attached throat protector. The distance that the throat protector hangs from the helmet must be less than the diameter of the ball. In addition to the attached throat protector, a wrap-around type throat protector may be worn. The goalkeeper may wear padded gloves, shoulder/arm pads and leg pads. All padding must fit securely and not increase the width of the goalkeeper's body beyond the thickness of the padding. The maximum thickness of the padding is 3 centimetres (cms). Padded gloves must be tied securely at the cuff and must not have any webbing.
- 42.12** *A game is considered legal and complete if 80% of the playing time has elapsed. 80% of a 4 x 15 minute game is 48 minutes. If an interrupted game (one in which less than 80% of the game has been played) is continued on the same day, it will be restarted from the point of the interruption. A suspended game that is replayed on another day must be replayed from the beginning. To accommodate the time constraints of a tournament, a suspended game that is replayed on another day may be restarted from the point of interruption (FIL Rule 11: Duration of Play).*

CARRIED

It was moved by Kellie Ohlmann, seconded by Sydney Hara to:

Amend REGULATION 45: WOMEN’S TIMELINE – FALL AND SPRING SEASONS to read:

REGULATION 45: WOMEN’S TIMELINE

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- January 1** Date for determining age level of playing year. (General Reg 10, FD 3.01 & 35.01)
- February** Women’s Provincial Championship/Tournament
- March 31** *Deadline for Senior Women’s coaches Form 100W and fees to BCLA Office or will be subject to fine (BCLCG 1.02, 11.03).*
- April** Field Directorate Special Session (FD 11.01)
- April 30** *Senior Women’s registration deadline*
Senior Women’s registration cards and fees to BCLA Office (FD 36.04)
Senior Women’s last date for cross-over players (FD 44.03)
- July** Women’s National Invitational
- August 15** Applications to host Women’s Field Lacrosse tournaments for upcoming year.
- September 1** Deadline for ratification of playing rules (FD 44.01)
- October 1** Deadline for coaches Form 100W and fees to BCLA Office or will be subject to fine (BCLCG 1.02, 11.03).
- October 31** Registration deadline
Registration cards and fees to BCLA Office (FD 36.04)
Last date for cross-over players (FD 44.03)

Amendment CARRIED to remove FALL AND SPRING SEASONS from title bar; to add March 31 Deadline for coaches Form 100W and fees to BCLA Office or will be subject to fine (BCLCG 1.02, 11.03).

Amended Motion: CARRIED

It was moved by Savanna Smith - Motion WITHDRAWN

Add REGULATION 46: WOMEN’S TIMELINE – SPRING SEASON to read:

REGULATION 46: WOMEN’S TIMELINE – SPRING SEASON

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April *Field Directorate Special Session (FD 11.01)*
April 30 *Registration deadline*
 Registration cards and fees to BCLA Office (FD 36.04)
 Last date for cross-over players (FD 42.03)

It was moved by Savanna Smith - Motion WITHDRAWN

Add a subsection in the Field Directorate Organizational Chart under Field Directorate for Senior Women's Field Lacrosse.

Beth McLucas motion to Table, seconded by Trish Keizer to:

Add two subsections in the Field Directorate Organizational Chart under Field Directorate – Vice Chair Women's Field with two subsections – 1) Girls lacrosse; 2) Senior Women's lacrosse.

TABLED

8. Notice of CLA increase of \$1.00 in Registration fees starting in the 2019-2020 season

- **Beginning May 1 will show the increased fee.**
- **1st and 2nd year associations will remain at \$15 and \$25 respectively**
- **Senior will be at \$52**
- **Youth will be at \$47**

9. Election of Officers – Elections were conducted by Dirk Rachfall, Field Directorate Chair

- a) Vice-Chair – Youth Field (2-Year Term) Beth McLucas was nominated by the Field Directorate Nomination Committee and won by acclamation - Secretary to cast one ballot.
- b) Vice-Chair – Men's Field (2-Year Term) Mary Clare was nominated by the Field Directorate Nomination Committee and won by acclamation – Secretary to cast one ballot.

10. 2019-2020 Provincial Championship Tournaments

Proposal for new Provincial Championship format (Appendix A) – Discussion

- Island teams concerned about travelling to mainland multiple weekends and the possible increased costs
 - Breaking up of ages/gender could make the schedule more condensed and therefore only be 3 days versus 4 days for example.
- Suggestion for having it in March – concerns over Spring Break being 2 weeks and often not matched up amongst school districts. This leaves few weekends in March available while also considering High School Provincials
 - High School Provincials happen 2 weeks prior to Spring Break
- Question from the floor: Can an association submit a date outside of those recommended by the Field Directorate? Answer is yes, currently these are suggested dates.

11. 2019 First Nations and Alumni Cup – Host Kelowna

- Really busy getting ready
- Parkinson's Recreation Centre- no charge entry
- September long weekend – games begin Friday, September, medal rounds on Sunday

12. 2019 Men's Nationals

- Mary Clare (VC Men's) is putting a bid in on behalf of BC.
- 2018 Nationals did not happen due to lack of teams – BC was the host Province
- Considering implementation of a 6 vs 6 format. FIL looking at this format – smaller field; use restraining lines as sidelines; goal crease on current restraining line; 8 min quarters, 45 second shot clock; 4 faceoffs; goals result in goalie clear; one player always back. Men and women would play same format as this is driven by IOC to bring Field lacrosse to Olympics; possibly for demo sport Paris 2024 but more likely for Los Angeles 2028.
- Dirk proposing this 6 vs 6 format for Men's Nationals – will be decided at CLA SAM in May. Suggesting to open up unlimited team entries from each Member Association
- Rugby 7's is an adapted game that resulted from needing to adapt for Olympic entry
- IOC has limit on participant numbers and large player number teams are not encouraged.
- Internationally this 6 v 6 is being trialled – England, US etc.

13. New Business

- a) 2022 FIL Men's World Championships – Coquitlam – July
 1. 30 nations will be attending
 2. 61 member nations
 3. 10 pre-qualified teams based on positioning after 2018 Men's Worlds
 4. Other teams will participate in playdowns within regions throughout the world
 5. There will also be a series of festivals during the tournament – 6 vs 6 Senior Men's; Youth (age divisions to be determined); Women's Nationals.
 6. Mary Clare and Beth McLucas will be coordinators of the Festivals
- b) **Referees and Umpires**
 1. Loss of officials at an alarming rate – recruitment and retention
 2. Rey Comeault – Asking leadership of different organizations to strongly state ZERO tolerance in abuse of officials/umpires; encouraging parents to become involved particularly in women's game as umpires.
 3. Recommendation is to host many exhibition games providing opportunity where new umpires can learn.
 4. Question about why only accepting older kids as umpires?. Girls ages are higher and an umpire needs to be two years older than the group they are umpiring.
 5. Suggestion to not have umpires and referees have to attend an officials clinic every year – Attendance every year is a CLA requirement

14. Announcements:

- a. BCLA Awards - Forms are available on BCLA website, recommend to complete nominations now while Field lacrosse is still fresh in everyone's minds.

15. **Motion to Adjourn.** *It was moved by Naomi Walser, seconded by Shona Wallace that the meeting be adjourned.* The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 PM.