

**B.C. LACROSSE ASSOCIATION
SENIOR DIRECTORATE 2008 SPECIAL SESSION
Friday, October 17, 2008 – Whistler, B.C.**

Chair Don Scott called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M. and introduced Vice Chairs Bill Dawes and Christine Pollock and Secretary Judy Regier. Don and Christine's terms are up this year and elections will be held on Saturday. Don notified the members that he would not be standing for re-election this year.

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

Jeff Gombar, David Soul and Greg Toll of the BCLA Executive brought the members up-to-date on events happening within the BCLA.

At 8:15 PM. the meeting recessed, to reconvene at 1:00 P.M. Saturday, October 18, 2008.

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IN ATTENDANCE

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| Al Lang, Commissioner BC Junior A | Harry Ferguson, New Westminster Junior A |
| Ken Alexander, Juan de Fuca VI Intermediate B | Barb Laprise, Commissioner BC Intermediate B |
| Jim Canil, Delta Junior A | Darcy Tytgat, Saanich VI Intermediate B |
| Judy Regier, Secretary Senior Directorate | Jim Ross, Port Coquitlam BC Intermediate B |
| Chad Pieper, Okanagan Masters | Rocky Zimmerman, Coquitlam Junior A |
| Ed Kwasniewski, Commissioner TOJLL | Les Wingrove, Coquitlam Senior A |
| Jamie Oldroyd, Shamrocks Intermediate A | Sandi Comack, Vancouver West Central Senior C |
| Holly Messenger, Delta Intermediate A | Elinor Hinds, Vernon Okanagan X Senior C |
| Bonnie Jean Foulds, Stylers Pr George Senior C | Bridget den Toom, Commissioner VI Intermediate B |
| Betty Selezinka, Port Coquitlam W C Senior C | Brock Rose, South Fraser Intermediate A |
| Shawn Joinson, Burnaby Senior B | Chel Tessarolo, New Westminster Intermediate A |
| Doug Wright, BCLOA | Dan Richardson, New Westminster Senior A |
| Dan Wray, Rutland TOJLL | Dave Haller, Delta West Coast Junior B |
| Corinne Almas, BCLA | Joe Willmott, South Fraser Junior A |
| Reg Thompson, Port Coquitlam Junior A | Rod Wood, Victoria Junior A |
| Gene Regier, Commissioner BC Intermediate A | Sean Walmsley, Vic/Esq VI Intermediate B |
| Iris Parkyn, Commissioner Senior B | Robyn Alexander, West Shore Pacific NW Junior B |
| Gary Quaife, Cowichan Valley VI Intermediate B | Ryan Nitchie, Armstrong Okanagan X Senior C |
| Mike Goodrich, Ridge Meadows BC Intermediate B | Ken Wood, Coquitlam West Coast Junior B |
| Christine Pollock, Vice Chair Senior Directorate | Rich Zecchel, Vernon TOJLL |
| Denise Forlin, Langley West Coast Junior B | Jenn Forlin, Langley BC Intermediate B |
| Frank Geyer, Surrey BC Intermediate B | Terry Foulds, Commissioner Pr George Senior C |
| Debbie Achtzner, Cowichan Valley Pac NW Jr B | Dan Ovenden, Surrey West Coast Junior B |
| Heather Foulds, Assault, Pr George Senior C | Mark Vanderhorst, Nanaimo Senior A |
| Mary Clare, Delta BC Intermediate B | Frank Scigliano, Coquitlam Intermediate A |
| Bruce Clark, Nanaimo Intermediate A | Ernie Meyer, Burnaby West Coast Junior B |

Bill Mosdell, Coasters Masters
 Tony Cable, Prince George GWN Junior B
 Chris Welch, Victoria, Senior A
 Tony Bendall, Vic/Esq Pacific NW Junior B
 Bill Dawes, Vice Chair Senior Directorate
 Richard Appels, Burnaby Junior A
 Brenda Buchart, New Westminster BC Int B
 Greg Toll, BCLA
 Dean Longacre, Campbell River Pac NW Junior B
 Forbes Mitchell, Nanaimo Junior A
 Chris Thompson, Port Coquitlam Intermediate A

Paul Rowbotham, Burnaby Senior A
 Harold Corbett, Commissioner WLA
 Janice Swanson, Comox, VI Intermediate B
 Terry Rolfe, Richmond, BC Intermediate B
 Dennis Quigley, BCLCA
 Bev Hoffman, Commissioner Masters
 Linda Cretney, Peninsula VI Intermediate B
 Jacquie Garrison, Coquitlam BC Intermediate B
 Frazer MacDonald, Commissioner WCJLL
 Rob Buchan, Langley Senior A
 Sohen Gill, BCLA

1. Vice Chair, Christine Pollock called the meeting to order at 1:05 PM.
2. There are 76 voting delegates in attendance.
3. It was moved by Reg Thompson, seconded by Jim Ross that the minutes the 2007 Special Session be accepted as circulated.

Carried

4. Business Arising from Previous Minutes
 There was no old business.
5. Registration – Gloria Siegner
 - a. Masters cards are a problem. They come in too late to be used as verification for call-up verification. A new method will be used next season.
 - b. Leagues should submit their cards as they are completed. Sending them when they are all completed make the job of entering them overwhelming.
 - c. A player must not sign two cards. The transferred card will be sent. Contact Gloria if there is a question regarding a player's card.
 - d. Gloria agreed to return as Senior Registrar for next season.
6. League Reports
 - a. The League Reports are printed in the BCLA 2008 Annual Report book. There were no questions.
7. Senior Directorate Chair's Report
 - a. The report is in the BCLA 2008 Annual Report book. There were no questions.
8. Provincial Reports
 - a. The BC Intermediate Provincials are covered in the Commissioners' reports.
 - b. There is a Tournament Report from the Junior B Tournament Chair as well as a Junior B Provincial report included in the BCLA 2008 Annual Report book.
 - c. There were no questions re the Provincial reports.
9. Proposed Amendments

The proposed motion by the Junior A League Chair to add a new BC Junior A Preamble was ruled out of order.

The proposed motion by Brock Rose, West Coast Senior League Chair to add new Regulation 4: Player Eligibility, 4.03 (a) was withdrawn.

The proposed motion by Brock Rose, West Coast Senior League Chair to amend Regulation 4: Player Eligibility, 4.03 was withdrawn.

The proposed motion by the Junior A League Chair to amend Regulation 4: Player Eligibility, 4.06 was withdrawn.

It was proposed by Judy Regier, BCLA Senior Directorate Secretary, seconded by Reg Thompson to amend Regulation 4: Player Eligibility, 4.08 to read:

- 4.08 Any player who has been turning out regularly to practice with a team but who is not given a chance to play in more than one of the first six league games for that team, shall have the right to **apply to be heard by** the Senior Directorate to be released from that team and become the property of the league.

Carried

The proposal by Doug Clark, Kamloops Minor President to amend Regulation 4: Player Eligibility, 4.09 was ruled out of order.

It was proposed by Judy Regier, BCLA Senior Directorate Secretary, seconded by Denise Forlin to amend Regulation 4: Player Eligibility, 4.10 to read:

- 4.10 Any player refused a release by the team of which they are a member, may **request to be heard by** the Senior Directorate to be granted such release. If **applying for a release** under this rule, the player may not play nor be signed or traded by any team in that league as long as any appeals are outstanding. This includes appeals to the BCLA Executive by either the player or the player's resident club.

Carried

It was proposed by Judy Regier, BCLA Senior Directorate Secretary, seconded by Bruce Clark to amend Regulation 4: Player Eligibility, 4.11 to read:

- 4.11 If the player is applying to transfer to a club within the Association, **the hearing** shall be **held** by the Senior Directorate or a sub-committee appointed for that purpose. At the hearing, the player and clubs concerned, including affiliates, shall have the right to be represented and heard.

The **hearing** shall be heard within seven (7) days of the **request** being filed with the Senior Directorate.

Carried

It was proposed by Judy Regier, BCLA Senior Directorate Secretary, seconded by Bill Dawes to amend Regulation 4: Player Eligibility, 4.30 to read:

- 4.30 Players who report in person to the club on whose list their names appear, but are not offered a certificate, and players who object to playing for the club on whose list their names appear, may **apply** to the Senior Directorate for a hearing on status. The decision of the Senior Directorate will be final.

Carried

It was proposed by Judy Regier, BCLA Senior Directorate Secretary, seconded by Reg Thompson to amend Regulation 4: Player Eligibility, 4.35 to read and add 4.36:

- 4.35 ***Junior clubs must submit a Protected List to a maximum of twenty-five (25) players on or before April 20 and must register a maximum of twenty-five players or less prior to the first league game. Players eligible for registration shall be those who are named and eligible for protection on the Protected List and/or who are free agents.***
- 4.36 ***Intermediate "A" clubs must submit a Protected List to a maximum of twenty-five (25) players on or before April 20. Intermediate "A" and "B" must register a maximum of twenty-five (25) players prior to the first league game. Players eligible for registration shall be those who are named and eligible for protection on the Protected List or residency rule and/or who are free agents.***

Carried

It was proposed by Judy Regier, BCLA Senior Directorate Secretary, seconded by Jim Ross to amend Regulation 4: Player Eligibility, 4.41 to read:

- 4.41 If a player makes a legitimate residential change and upon requesting a release is refused, the player will have the right to **apply to be heard by** the Senior Directorate.

Carried

It was proposed by Ken Wood, Coquitlam Junior B Governor, seconded by Joe Willmott to amend Regulation 5: Inter-League Use of Players, 5.01 to read:

- 5.01 ***Where an Intermediate League exists, and a player desires to be playing permanently in a Junior league, that player shall be permitted to sign a Junior registration card to play regularly in the Junior league by written consent signed by the player and his parents or legal guardian, to the Junior League Commissioner who then advises the Senior Directorate.***

Defeated

The proposal by Barb Laprise, BC Intermediate B Commissioner to amend Inter-League Use of Players 5.01 to 5.04 was withdrawn.

The proposal by Mike Hall, BCLA Secretary to amend Regulation 7: Classification and Grouping League Agreements and Scheduling, 7.01 was withdrawn.

Proposed by Judy Regier, BCLA Senior Directorate Secretary, seconded by Ernie Meyer to amend Regulation 7: Classification and Grouping League Agreements and Scheduling, 7.05 to read:

- 7.05 Any member entering a team in **an "A"** league must be the sole **"A"** team entry in its category from that member. League entrants must show proof of supporting another team through affiliation in a lower category or division to ensure continuity of the club.

Carried

It was proposed by Bill Dawes, BCLA Senior Directorate Vice Chair, seconded by Paul Rowbotham to amend Regulation 14: Provincial Trophies, 14.03 to read:

- 14.03 The Leagues will be responsible for obtaining medals for Provincial Championships. The Senior Directorate will reimburse up to **\$600.00** for Provincial Championship medals upon presentation of receipt. The Senior Directorate will also provide a banner for each Provincial winner valued at up to **\$200.00**.

Carried

It was proposed by Judy Regier, BCLA Senior Directorate Secretary, seconded by Reg Thompson to amend Regulation 19: Tampering, 19.02 to read:

- 19.02 Any lacrosse team judged by the league to be tampering with a player of another club will be allowed to **apply to be heard by** the Senior Directorate. Said team shall be fined a maximum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) by the Senior Directorate. The BCLA will be the final judge of the above charge, via the appeal route.

Carried

It was proposed by Judy Regier, BCLA Senior Directorate Secretary, seconded by Gene Regier to amend Regulation 20: Protest or Appeals, 20.02, 1 to read:

1. Senior Directorate **Appeal Board**

Carried

It was proposed by Judy Regier, BCLA Senior Directorate Secretary, seconded by Denise Forlin to amend Regulation 20: Protest or Appeals, 20.03 to read:

- 20.03 If no defence of an appeal is received, the secretary of the Senior Directorate shall notify the Chair, who will deal with the matter without convening a meeting of the Senior Directorate **appeal board**.

Carried

It was proposed by Judy Regier, BCLA Senior Directorate Secretary, seconded by Betty Selezinka to amend Regulation 20: Protests or Appeals, 20.04 (b) to read:

- 20.04 (b) The Vice Chair of the Senior Directorate will also be responsible for ensuring that all involved referees, players, coaches, managers, commissioners, et cetera are notified of the **appeal** and requested to attend.

Carried

It was proposed by Al Sleightholme, BCLOA Vice Chair – Senior, seconded by Barb Laprise to amend Regulation 21: Referees, 21.01 to read:

- 21.01 Payment to referees shall be made prior to the start of each game, unless otherwise negotiated between the Leagues and the BCLOA.
- (a) Leagues entering into monthly payments with the BCLOA Senior Referees will be invoiced on the 3rd week of each month for all game fees for that month. Payment to the BCLOA will be required the 1st week of the following month. Leagues are responsible for the collection of all game fees from the league's teams.
- (b) Possible line items on the invoice will be for payment of travel fees and extra playoff fees.

Carried

It was proposed by Judy Regier, BCLA Senior Directorate Secretary, seconded by Bruce Clark to amend Appendix Four: Senior Registration Procedure, paragraph 5, to read:

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.**

Carried

This motion also affects NOTES on page 55 that should read:

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

It was proposed by Judy Regier, BCLA Senior Directorate Secretary, seconded by Reg Thompson to amend Appendix Four: Senior Registration Procedure, Notes to read:

Amend APPENDIX FOUR: SENIOR REGISTRATION PROCEDURE, NOTES that would read:

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.**

The Registrar must insist that all copies of "cut" players' forms are returned to the BCLA Office

A player may not sign more than one certificate in any one playing season. If a player is signed by another team in the same year **the Commissioner/Commissioners of the league/leagues must be advised.**

It was moved by Judy Regier, seconded by Doug Wright to amend the main motion by including the following sentence from the current Appendix Four that was inadvertently left off:

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.

Carried

Original motion as amended was voted on and **Carried**

10. New Business

- a. Frazer MacDonald reported that the Junior B leagues have formed a Junior B council.

It was moved by Ryan Nitchie, seconded by Elinor Hinds that any player who signs a Masters' certificate will only be permitted to play in Masters' league games and Masters' tournaments.

Defeated

11. Election of Officers

It was moved by Reg Thompson, seconded by Doug Wright to suspend the meeting for elections.

- a. Gerry Van Beek conducted the election.
- b. Christine Pollock was elected Chair – the secretary cast one ballot
- c. Terry Kirstiuk was elected Vice Chair – the secretary cast one ballot.

It was moved by Denise Forlin, seconded by Doug Wright to destroy the ballots. **Carried**

12. Adjournment

It was moved by Bill Dawes to adjourn the meeting at 2:30 PM. **Carried**