



**Minutes of the
2013 BCLA Annual General Meeting
Saturday, October 19, 2013
Whistler Conference Centre, Whistler, BC**

1. **Welcome/Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order at 1:02 PM with President Sohen Gill presiding. Sohen welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the BCLA Executive, AJ Jomha - CLA VP Domestic Competition.
2. **Approval of Minutes of the October 13, 2012 Annual General Meeting.** *It was moved by Toni Lowe, seconded by Harold Corbett that the minutes of the B.C. Lacrosse Association 2012 Annual General Meeting be adopted as circulated. CARRIED*
3. **Business Arising from Previous Minutes.** There was no business arising.
4. **Executive Reports. All reports contained in the 2013 BCLA Annual Report**
 - a) President and CLA Report: Sohen Gill
 - b) Treasurer: David Soul. *It was moved by Ron McQuarrie, seconded by Joe Wong to approved the 2013 BCLA Financial Report and the 2013-14 Budget. CARRIED*
 - c) Secretary: Myrna Cable
 - d) Vice President - Administration: Don Scott
 - e) Vice President - Operations: Greg Toll
 - f) Vice President - Performance Programs: Ron McQuarrie
 - g) Vice President - Development: Terry Mosdell
 - h) Director at Large: David Jenkins*It was moved by Bill Dawes, seconded by Doug Wright to accept all reports as circulated. CARRIED.*
5. **Directorate/Technical Support Group Reports:**
 - a) **Senior Directorate** (Harold Corbett) - Bridget Hughes was elected as Vice Chair for a two year term and Harold thanked Bill Dawes for his many years of time and dedication to the Senior Directorate.
 - b) **Minor Directorate** (Angie Schwan) - Paula Marks was elected to a two year term as Vice Chair and Gord McIntosh was elected to a two year term as Female Box Chair. Angie thanked Dave Wilkie and Shawn House for their many years of time and dedication.
 - c) **Field Directorate** (Dirk Rachfall) - As circulated in the 2013 Annual Report. Their Special Session was held in April 20, 2013. Elections were held and the following positions were filled: Chair (one year term): Dirk Rachfall, Vice Chair Youth Field (two year term): Wes Landels, Vice Chair Men's Field (two year term): Toni Lowe.
 - d) **BC Lacrosse Coaches Association** (Mike Marshall) - As circulated in the 2013 Annual Report. Their Special Session was held September 7, 2013. Elections were held and the following positions were filled: Chair: Mike Marshall, Vice Chair Senior Box: Dennis Quigley, Vice Chair Minor Box: Rob Arden, Vice Chair Field: Tyson Leies, Vice Chair Women's Field: Naomi Walser, Secretary: Dan Wray.
 - e) **BC Lacrosse Officials Association:** (Doug Wright) - As circulated in the 2013 Annual Report. Their Special Session was held September 7, 2013. Elections were held and the following positions were filled: Chair (two year term): Lee Brien; Vice Chair Men's Field (one year term): Ryan Nose; Vice Chair Women's Field (two year term): Andrea Jones, Secretary (two year term): Andrew Corbould.

6. Credentials Report: Myrna Cable.

There were 345 possible votes and there were 227 voting delegates attending this AGM. The breakdown is as follows:

Executive	7/8
Coaches	6/14
Officials	10/21
Seniors	63/105
Minors	106/124
Field	33/67
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Total	227 in attendance out of a possible 345

7. Proposed Amendments

BCLA Constitution and By-Laws

It was moved by Pete Frey, seconded by Don Scott to amend BY-LAW NUMBER IV: MEETINGS to read:

- 4. Procedure at Meetings -- procedural disputes not covered in these By-Laws shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order, current edition, and shall apply at all meetings. If electronic meetings or electronic votes are held, the procedures laid out in APPENDIX G: RULES FOR HOLDING ELECTRONIC VOTES of the BCLA General Operating Policy must be followed and adhered to.*

CARRIED

It was moved by Shawn House, seconded by Harold Corbett to entertain further amendments to BY-LAW IV. CARRIED

It was moved by Pete Frey, seconded by Harold Corbett to add or email votes after ELECTRONIC VOTES CARRIED

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BCLA General Operating Policy

It was moved by Angie Schwan, seconded by Dave Wilkie to amend REGULATION 7: PLAYER REGISTRATION, 7.05 that would read:

- 7.05 US 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, a US player is not permitted to displace a resident player; specifically, resident players cannot be released if US 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 Toni Lowe, seconded by Dirk Rachfall 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, B.C. Lacrosse Coaches Association, B.C. Lacrosse Volunteer Leadership Association and the B.C. Lacrosse Officials Association 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. The only other exception will be that a Minor Directorate player is not permitted to play with a Senior 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, 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 has been served with the team the player is registered with.*

CARRIED

It was moved by Dave Jenkins, seconded by Kevin Hill to add new REGULATION 14: DOPING CONTROL PROGRAM, 14.01.4 that reads:

It is mandatory that all Senior A, Senior B, Junior A and Junior B players, coaches and trainers must complete the CCES on-line drug education course by July 1 of the playing year. Failure to complete the course by this deadline could result in a suspension of the individual or \$100/player, coach and trainer fine to the team.

CARRIED

Following motion was WITHDRAWN.

Proposed by Ken Wood, BC Junior A League Commissioner

Remove the existing APPENDIX B: Fee Schedule, Payments to Referees, Senior Box Officials Payments in its entirety and replace with:

Each year, negotiations for fees for the next season must be completed prior to the BCLA AGM amendment deadline of the current year for ratification at the BCLA AGM.

Senior Box Officials Payments (per game)

<i>Senior A</i>	<i>\$75</i>
<i>Senior B</i>	<i>\$70</i>
<i>Senior C</i>	<i>\$60</i>
<i>Junior A</i>	<i>\$75</i>
<i>Junior B</i>	<i>\$65</i>
<i>Intermediate A</i>	<i>\$60</i>
<i>Intermediate B</i>	<i>\$60</i>

Following motion was ruled OUT OF ORDER.

Proposed by Mary Clare, Canada West Field Lacrosse League Commissioner

Amend APPENDIX B: Fee Schedule, Payments to Referees, Field Officials Payment/Game – that would read:

Field Officials Payment/Game	<u>2013-14</u>	<u>2014-15</u>
Mini-Tyke (U6)	\$20	
Tyke (U8)	\$20	
Novice (U10)	\$25	
PeeWee (U12)	\$30	

Bantam (U14)	\$35	
Midget (U16)	\$40	
Junior Men's (U19)	\$45	\$50
Senior Men's	\$50	\$60

*** Referees must fulfil their obligation to the team or league that hires them.**

It was moved by Angie Schwan, seconded by Davie Wilkie to amend APPENDIX D: CONDUCT OF HEARINGS/APPEALS BEFORE VARIOUS LACROSSE TRIBUNALS by adding a sentence in the 1st paragraph, 2. that would read:

For those individuals who preside at the hearings/appeals of various lacrosse tribunals, there are four cardinal principles. They are as follows:

- 1. Process is the most important factor in such hearings/appeals. The process is how the hearing/appeal is conducted. The most important factor is not who wins or loses.***
- 2. The process must be fair. Only one hearing should be held, per calendar day, per committee.***

DEFEATED

It was moved by Don Scott, seconded by Doug Wright to add a statement to the beginning of APPENDIX F: SOCIAL MEDIA GUIDELINES that would read:

The responsibility of on-line or social media accounts belongs to the named holder of the account (or page) and all members are expected to conduct themselves in accordance with the BCLA Code of Conduct.

CARRIED

It was moved by Pete Frey, seconded by Joe Wong to add new APPENDIX G: RULES FOR HOLDING ELECTRONIC VOTES that would read:

APPENDIX G: RULES FOR HOLDING ELECTRONIC VOTES VIA EMAIL

- All participants must have access to the necessary equipment for participation in the e-mail vote. If any participant does not have access, the e-vote cannot be taken.
- The Chair must develop the time frame for the e-vote.
- A minimum of twenty-four (24) hours notice must be provided to all participants by e-mail, fax or telephone by the Secretary or the Chair. Such notice shall include the motion and supporting documentation for the e-vote.
- A second is not necessary for the motion to be considered.
- A motion to "lay" on the table is not in order.
- Each new main motion must be made in a separate, new e-mail message with no other message thread included.
- New motions in a new message thread may be introduced while there is another motion currently being debated.

DEBATE

- Members shall use "Reply All" in all messages.
- Members may respond at will, that is, without seeking recognition from the chair.
- Secondary and incidental motions shall be given a letter designation in the subject line by the chair. For example...the main motion is given the number 1. There is a motion to amend. The amendment is given the designation "a". In the subject line the amendment will be designated "Motion 1-a".
- Multiple secondary and incidental motions shall be given succeeding letter designations by the chair. As each motion is disposed of, the corresponding letter in the subject line is removed.
- In the case of conflicting secondary and incidental motions, the chair shall determine preference in recognition by the date/time stamp on the messages. When a higher ranking motion is made

first, the lower ranking motion is not in order.

6. Messages with a date/time stamp after a secondary or incidental motion is stated by the chair shall be disregarded. The chair shall inform the member who made the disregarded motion that the motion is not in order at the time by using "Reply" rather than "Reply-all".
7. The chair shall close debate by asking, "Are you ready for the question on motion 1-a?" in the subject line.

VOTE

1. The chair shall put the question to a vote by restating the pending question and requesting the members to vote now. The word "vote" shall be in the subject line. (Example: Motion 1-a Vote)
2. The chair shall include the time frame/deadline for the vote.
3. Members shall state, "I vote yes" or "I vote no" in the first line of the response and use "Reply-All".
2. 4 The secretary shall tally the votes and report the result of the vote to the participants, including the number of votes cast for and against the motion.
4. The Chair shall announce the results of the vote.
5. The chair shall either state the next pending motion and open debate or shall declare the thread on "motion (number)" closed.

SECRETARY'S RECORDS AND MINUTES

1. The secretary, or committee member so designated, shall compile and maintain the complete thread of the motion and its disposition including all secondary and incidental motions.
2. The secretary shall prepare minutes of the vote and shall send the minutes marked "draft" to all the members.
3. These minutes shall be approved at the next regular meeting.
4. Any member shall have the right to request a copy of the message thread of a motion.

CARRIED

8. Election of Officers

- a) **Vice President - Performance Programs:** Ron McQuarrie by acclamation. Secretary cast one vote.
- b) **Vice President - Operations:** Greg Toll by acclamation. Secretary cast one vote.
- c) Secretary: Myrna Cable (Secretary cast one vote)
- d) Treasurer: David Soul by acclamation (Secretary cast one vote)
- e) Director at Large: David Jenkins (Secretary cast one vote)

It was moved by Greg Toll, seconded by Ron McQuarrie to destroy the ballots. CARRIED

9. New Business:

- Sohen introduced AJ Jomha, VP of Domestic Competition for the CLA. AJ thanked Sohen and Rochelle for the invitation to the BCLA AGM and responded to questions and concerns regarding facemasks.
 - CLA is mandated to make our game the best that it can be
 - There is a liability if not wearing a facemask that is CSA approved.
 - Three companies have been approved to date
 - Concerns can be sent with Sohen to the CLA meetings as masks will be discussed at the meetings.
- 50/50 tickets will be sold at the BCLA Awards Banquet this evening for Scholarship Fund.
- Rochelle thanked everyone for attending. As well, Rochelle thanked Jeff, Dave and Darcy and wished Darcy well with his new position at the Langley Events Centre. There will be coffee and pastries in the lobby Sunday morning as well as copies of the 2013 Year in Review DVD.

10. Adjournment. It was moved by Ernie Meyer to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 2:17 PM.