

B.C. LACROSSE ASSOCIATION
SENIOR DIRECTORATE 2015 SPECIAL SESSION
Friday, October 16, 2015 – Whistler, B.C.

1. **Welcome.** Chair Harold Corbett welcomed everyone to the 2015 Special Session and called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

2. **Senior Registrar**

Judy Regier reported that player registration began with all but one league sending the required documents before their season started. She was hopeful. The one league that didn't provide them did not send any until their season was over.

Most teams continued to send new forms in a timely manner, but trades and releases were not communicated to her by a number of teams or Commissioners. The changes to the Operating Policy last year allows email notification but in a number of cases she wasn't notified of player movement and this led to the Junior B Provincials beginning with players on team rosters that were not registered with the new team. Teams and Commissioners should be reviewing the lists that accompany registration forms when they are returned by the Registrar. This is the list that is currently registered with the team.

Some teams ignored the fact that if a player is 18 when the registration is signed they must use a waiver for Under the Age of Majority and a parent / guardian signature is needed. This meant registration of these players was held up and I'm sure some people wonder if we know what we are doing.

And still, many registration forms are not being completed – the system will not accept a player if there is information missing. The player fills it out, a team official signs it and the Commissioner signs it. There is no reason for the forms to be incomplete or incorrect when the Registrar gets them. In 2016, no searches will be done for postal codes or phone numbers and the date of signing as a birthdate will not be acceptable.

Incomplete forms or incorrectly completed forms will be returned to the Commissioner for completion before the player is registered.

Medical numbers – this means BC Personal Health Card number, not the extended medical number from an employer. Some players have up to four different medical numbers on record which can't be correct because BC Medical numbers never change. This year registration will be held up if the number isn't correct.

A new problem this year was players being registered in the wrong league – Commissioners need to check birth years.

One final problem is many forms are not clearly written.

For the coming season, Commissioners please take time to check the forms for completion and legibility before they are sent to the Registrar

3. **JOINT OFFICIALS AND COACHES PANEL DISCUSSION**

Dennis Quigley reported that Abuse of Officials must stop. Coaches are responsible for their bench.

Suspensions need to be harsh enough so the message gets out that this abuse will not be tolerated. Joe Wong stated the Referees will no longer “turn the other cheek”. Reports will be written and forwarded to the Commissioners for action.

4. **Discussion of Motions**

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

All amendments referencing a Senior Women's lacrosse league are ruled out of order and will not be presented tomorrow.

With a motion at 8:10 PM, the meeting recessed, to reconvene at 9:00 A.M. Saturday, October 17, 2015.

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IN ATTENDANCE

Harold Corbett, Senior Directorate Chair	Bridget Hughes, Senior Directorate Vice Chair
Terry Kirstiuk, Senior Directorate Vice Chair	Judy Regier, Senior Directorate Secretary
Terry Mosdell, BCLA VP – Development	Greg Toll, BCLA VP – Operations
Joe Wong, BCLOA Senior Vice Chair	Kelly Scott, BCLCA Senior Vice Chair
Randy Clough, West Coast Senior B	Terry Foulds, Prince George Senior C
Karl Christiansen, BC Junior A	Frazer MacDonald, West Coast Junior B
Chris Scabar, Thompson Okanagan Junior B	Sam Hofer, Pacific Northwest Junior B
Gene Regier, BC Intermediate A	Barb Laprise, BC Intermediate B
Paul Rowbotham, Burnaby, Senior A	Ed Ponsart, Coquitlam, Senior A
Ken Buchan, Langley, Senior A	Lance Andre, Maple Ridge, Senior A
Chris Bowman, Nanaimo, Senior A	Dan Richardson, New Westminster, Senior A
Chris Welch, Victoria, Senior A	Jenn Forlin, Langley, West Coast Senior B
Shawn Swanson, Nanaimo, West Coast Senior B	Jed Sigfusson, Port Moody, West Coast Senior B
David Bensmiller, Valley Rebels, West Coast Senior B	Jason Boshard, Richmond, West Central Senior C
Terry Foulds, Bandits, Prince George Senior C	Wayne Boulanger, Stylers, Prince George Senior C
Albert Cooper, Quesnel, Prince George Senior C	Chad Pieper, Armstrong, Thompson Okanagan Senior C
Brad Hara, Burnaby, BC Junior A	James Abbot, Coquitlam, BC Junior A
Deleni Buchan, Langley, BC Junior A	Tyson Leies, Nanaimo, BC Junior A
Doug Zack, New Westminster, BC Junior A	Craig Labranche, Port Coquitlam, Junior A
Dave Wilkie, Victoria, BC Junior A	Maureen Calvert, Burnaby, West Coast Junior B
Scott Wortley, Coquitlam, West Coast Junior B	Scott Liebich, Delta, West Coast Junior B
Mark Ross, Port Coquitlam, West Coast Junior B	Sandy Roy, Port Moody, West Coast Junior B
Shawn Flintoff, Richmond, West Coast Junior B	Andrew Carr, Ridge Meadows, West Coast Junior B
April Thompson, South Okanagan, T/O Junior B	Roxane Seaton, Vernon, Thompson Okanagan Junior B
Chris Jackson, Saanich, Pacific NW Junior B	Ken Alexander, West Shore, Pacific Northwest Junior B
Wayne MacDonald, Burnaby, BC Intermediate A	Les Wingrove, Coquitlam, BC Intermediate A
Linda Buchan, Langley, BC Intermediate A	Dave Bailuk, Maple Ridge, BC Intermediate A
Nancy Labranche, Port Coquitlam, Intermediate A	Darcy Dagan, Richmond, BC Intermediate A
Rod Wood, Victoria, BC Intermediate A	Lance Hofseth, Coquitlam, BC Intermediate B
Darcy Phillips, Delta, BC Intermediate B	Jim Ross, Port Coquitlam, BC Intermediate B
Owen Munro, Ridge Meadows, BC Intermediate B	Lorne Winship, Cowichan Valley, VI Intermediate B
Jan Dixon, Juan de Fuca, Vancouver Island Int. B	Deb Maloney, Peninsula, Vancouver Island Int. B
Brent Anderson, Observer	Sohen Gill, Observer
Kelly Scott, Observer	Don Scott, Observer
Gord Patrick, Observer	

1. Welcome/Call to Order

Harold Corbett, Chair of the Senior Directorate called the meeting to order at 9:10 A.M.

2. Attendance

Out of a possible 103 delegates, 72 were registered. Of the 72 eligible voters, 64 are registered to vote today. These totals include two BCLA members, one BCLOA representative and one BCLCA representative.

3. Minutes of October 17 – 18, 2014 Senior Directorate Special Session.

It was moved by Dave Wilkie, seconded by Brad Hara to approve the minutes of the 2014 Special Session as circulated.

CARRIED

4. League Reports

All reports are printed in the BCLA 2015 Annual Report book.

It was moved by Dennis Quigley, seconded by Dave Wilkie to accept the League Reports as circulated.

CARRIED

5. Senior Directorate Chair's Report

It was moved by Rob Wood, seconded by Terry Foulds to accept the Chair's Report as circulated.

CARRIED

6. Provincial Championship Reports

It was moved by Brad Hara, seconded by Gene Regier to accept the Provincial Reports as circulated.

CARRIED

7. Proposed Amendments – Senior Directorate

Representatives from the Officials group and the Junior A League met last night, and Karl Christiansen advised the meeting that the amendment to Regulation 22: Referees, 22.04 is being withdrawn.

Moved by Judy Regier and seconded by Jim Ross to amend REGULATION 4: PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS, 4.01 to read:

- 4.01 (a) Playing Certificates shall be issued at the discretion of the Association to all teams whose financial obligations have been fulfilled.
- (b) Every Senior Directorate team will receive from the League Commissioner, thirty-five (35) BCLA Playing Certificates and insurance waivers by April 1 in each year.
- (c) The Commissioner must submit the certificates and insurance waivers within twelve (12) days of signing them to the BCLA Office.
- (d) The approved registration certificate copies shall be returned to the commissioners and teams as expeditiously as possible.
- (e) *All required fees must be paid to the BCLA upon receipt of invoices.*

CARRIED

Moved by Dave Wilkie and seconded by Brad Hara to amend REGULATION 4: PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS, 4.03 to read:

- 4.03 Each player of Intermediate age must be registered as an Intermediate *or Junior* player. *If a player chooses to register as a Junior player, they may not go back to Intermediate.*

CARRIED

Moved by Judy Regier and seconded by Dave Wilkie to amend REGULATION 5: PLAYER ELIGIBILITY GENERAL, 5.05 to read:

- 5.05 *It will be the responsibility of the receiving team and the Commissioner to ensure the interprovincial transfer is complete before the player registration certificate is submitted to the Registrar. The \$75.00 interprovincial transfer fee must be paid to the BCLA Office upon receipt of the invoice.*

CARRIED

Moved by Brad Hara and seconded by Rod Wood to amend REGULATION 5: PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – GENERAL, 5.06 to read:

- 5.06 A player, resident of a city, town, municipality, or boundaries set out in ratified league agreements, et cetera as of January 1 of the playing year, represented by a team(s) entered in a category for which they are eligible to play, must register with that team(s) except where such *player's* services are waived by the team(s), and subject to the Regulations here printed. If said player refuses to play for such team(s), *they must do so by notifying the team and the league in writing, and* after sitting out a year, the player becomes a free agent.
Within ratified boundaries that contain more than one team, the distribution of players graduating will be outlined in the appropriate league agreement which has been ratified by the BCLA.

CARRIED - The amendment to correct the grammar and the actual amendment were voted on separately and both were carried.

Moved by Dave Bailuk and seconded by Andrew Carr to amend REGULATION 5: PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – GENERAL, 5.21 to read:

- 5.21 At a meeting called for the purpose, an Entry Draft will be held as follows:
Senior A On or before March 1
Senior B May hold a draft on or before March 15
Senior C At the discretion of the league commissioner, but no later than one (1) month prior to the commencement of the league play.
~~*Junior A May hold a draft at the discretion of the League Governors on or before March 15.*~~
~~*Junior B May hold a draft at the discretion of the League Governors on or before March 15.*~~
~~*Int. A May hold a draft at the discretion of the League Governors on or before March 15.*~~
~~*Int. B May hold a draft at the discretion of the League Governors on or before March 15.*~~

Moved by Dave Bailuk, seconded by Gene Regier to have a secret ballot.
DEFEATED

Motion to amend Regulation 5: Player Eligibility – General, 5.21.
DEFEATED

Moved Dave Wilkie and seconded by Karl Christiansen to amend REGULATION 6: INTER-LEAGUE USE OF PLAYERS, 6.01 to read:

- 6.01 Where an agreement exists between a Junior league Commissioner and a Junior age player who should be, because of his ability, playing permanently in the Western Lacrosse Association, such a player should be permitted to play regularly in the Western Lacrosse Association with the consent of the player, his Junior coach or manager, and the Commissioner and Senior Directorate elected members. Where an agreement exists between an Intermediate player ~~and Intermediate League Commissioner, their parent or guardian and the Junior Coach~~, that such a player should, because of his ability, be playing permanently in a Junior league, such player should be permitted to play regularly in the Junior league with the consent of the player, ~~Intermediate coach or manager, League Commissioner and the Senior Directorate elected members, parents and Junior Commissioner.~~

CARRIED

8. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Harold Corbett passed the chair to Vice Chair, Terry Kirstiuk.

- a. Bridget Hughes was elected by acclamation for a two year term as Vice Chair – Secretary, Judy Regier cast a ballot.
- b. Judy Regier was elected by acclamation for a two year team as Secretary – Secretary, Judy Regier cast a ballot.

It was moved by Bridget Hughes and seconded by Dave Wilkie to destroy the ballots.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Senior C teams to remain for a short meeting.

Motion by Dave Wilkie to adjourn at 9:50 A.M.