



**BC Lacrosse Association
2012 Minor Directorate Special Session Minutes
October 12-13, 2012
Whistler Conference Centre, Whistler, BC**

Friday, October 12, 2012

1. **Call Meeting to Order and Welcome.** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM, with **Chair** Angie Schwan presiding. Angie Schwan then welcomed everyone to the Annual General Meeting and introduced the various members of the Executive of the Minor Directorate in attendance.

Message from NLL. Paul Dalmonte from NLL Lacrosse League to address delegates regarding the upcoming NLL game being held in Langley, BC on Dec 8th.

- This event is being held at the Langley Events Centre
- NLL is viable here in British Columbia and they are working towards making that happen.
- Please tell you associations about this as there are still tickets left.

Please Note: All reports can be found in the 2012 BCLA Annual Report circulated.

2. **BCLCA Report – Rob Arden, BCLCA Vice Chair – Minor Box**
Report in book
3. **BCLOA Report – Kyle Shanks, BCLOA Vice Chair – Minor Box**
Report in book
4. **Nationals Review – Mike Marshall, BCLCA Chair/Regional Coach – Team BC**
Report in book
5. **Registration – Corrine Perriman, BCLA Registrar**
Report in book
6. **Rationale for Proposed Amendments (two minutes/proposal)**

BCLA Membership applications are due and can be received at this meeting.

7. *It was moved by Dave Wilkie that the meeting be recessed until Saturday, Oct 13th at 9:00 AM. CARRIED.*

Saturday, October 13, 2012

1. **Call to Order and Welcome.** The meeting was called to order at 9:07 AM, with Chair Angie Schwan presiding. Angie asked all attending delegates to sign in and show their voting cards. Angie then welcomed everyone to the Whistler AGM meeting and introduced the executive members of the Minor Directorate. Angie welcomed the members of the BCLA attending. No further votes were to be registered after Angie announced the last call.
2. **Attendance/Accreditation.** There were 101 out of a possible 127 delegates at the meeting.
3. **Minutes of the October 14-15, 2011 Minor Directorate Special Session.** *It was moved by Dave Wilkie, seconded by Tim Craggs that the minutes of the October 14-15, 2011 Minor Directorate Special Session be accepted as circulated. CARRIED*
4. **Reports.** Reviewed and floor opened up for questions ~ there were none. *It was moved by Tony Cable, seconded by Richard Paciejewski that the 2012 Minor Directorate Reports be adopted as circulated. CARRIED*
5. **Ratification of Zone Directors**
Zone 1 ~ Tammy Tait
Zone 2 ~ Waiting for AGM to be held.
Zone 3 ~ Waiting for AGM to be held.
Zone 4 ~ Waiting for AGM to be held.
Zone 5 ~ Waiting for AGM to be held.
Zone 7 ~ Waiting for AGM to be held.
Zone 8 ~ Richard Paciejewski
Commission Chairs were asked to forward the Zone Director information to the Minor Directorate so that they can be ratified.
6. **Proposed Amendments**

Moved by Dave Wilkie, Seconded by Patti Burr

REGULATION 1: STRUCTURE, 1.01, League Commissioners that would read:

League Commissioners

- (a) *Are ratified by the Minor Directorate, with names submitted prior to March 15 of the playing season.*
- (b) Rule on disciplinary matters for their league in their Commission, following the Minor Directorate Disciplinary Rules, using the Minor Directorate Suspension Tracking Sheet provided in the Commissioner's Package, submit at the end of the season to the Provincial Director and to the Minor Directorate Secretary for purposes of tracking carryover suspensions into the next box season.
- (c) Ensure all teams are tiered properly. Watch for inequality of teams within their league and the placement and movement of teams, as per Commission Operating Policy.
- (d) Assist in making schedules for their league
- (e) Attend Commission meetings
- (f) Ensure copies of score sheets are given to the Chair of the Commission monthly
- (g) Any communication between League Commissioners and coaches should include Head Coaches.
- (h) League Commissioners report directly to the Commission Chair.
- (i) *To work with their Commission and Commission Chair in promoting Box Lacrosse within their Commission.*

CARRIED

Moved by Linda Cretney, Seconded by Patti Burr

Remove REGULATION 1: STRUCTURE, 1.01, Female Box Commissioner in its entirety. This Regulation currently reads:

Female Box Commissioner

- (a) Rule on disciplinary matters for their league in their commission, following the female rules and the minor directorate disciplinary rules where applicable and using the Minor Directorate Suspension Tracking Sheet provided in the Commissioner's Package, submit at the end of the season to the Provincial Director and to the Minor Directorate Secretary for purposes of tracking carryover suspensions into the next box season.
- (b) Assist in making schedules for their leagues.
- (c) Attend commission meetings.
- (d) To work with the chair to promote female box lacrosse in their commission.
- (e) To act as liaison between coaches, associations and the chair person.

CARRIED

Moved by Dave Wilkie, Seconded by Trevor Young

REGULATION 1: STRUCTURE, 1.01, Associations that would read:

Associations

- (a) Members of a Commission *or Zone*
- (b) Responsible for lacrosse in their residential area as defined by their Association boundaries.
- (c) Communication link between the parents, players and bench personnel and their Commission
- (d) Sends a representative to all Commission meetings

CARRIED

Moved by Sean House, Seconded by Tim Craggs

Amend REGULATION 2: PLAYING DIVISIONS, 2.01 that would read:

2.01 The ages of players prior to January 1 of each playing year shall be as follows:

Minor Box

- Midget .. under 16 years
- Bantam .. under 14 years
- PeeWee .. under 12 years
- Novice .. under 10 years
- Tyke .. under 8 years
- Mini Tyke .. under 6 years, but at least 4 years old

Female Box:

- Junior under 21 years
- Midget under 16 years
- Bantam under 14 years
- PeeWee under 12 years
- Novice under 10 years

As per General Operating Policy Regulation 9, the playing year shall be from January 1 to December 31 in any calendar year.

CARRIED

*Moved by Shawn House, Seconded by Tim Craggs
Amended by Shawn House, seconded by Garret Ungaro*

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Midget under 16 years
Bantam under 14 years
PeeWee under 12 years
Novice under 10 years
Tyke under 8 years but at least 4 years old

CARRIED

Moved by Dave Wilkie, Seconded by Richard Paciejewski

Amend REGULATION 3: REGISTRATION, 3.03 that would read:

3.03 Each Association is responsible to enter and maintain the Association's players on the BCLA on-line player database. *Effective for the 2014 Minor Box Lacrosse season, Associations with less than 75 players are encouraged to use the BCLA On-Line Registration System, and those with 76 or more players are required to use the BCLA On-Line Registration System (whereby parents register on-line with their local Minor Box Lacrosse Association).*

CARRIED

Point of order was called by Dave Wilkie. Peter Frey appealed, Trevor Young seconded. Shall the decision of the Chair be sustained. Vote by secret ballot, ruling by the Chair was defeated.

Amend REGULATION 3: REGISTRATION, 3.04 that would read:

3.04 For those Associations who run house league systems and combine teams for provincial play, the Association must submit to the Registrar of the Minor Directorate, the additional Provincial Team lists on the supplied electronic template. Combined Team lists must be e-mailed to the Registrar and in addition can be faxed or mailed to the BCLA prior to May 31 of the playing year. Provincial lists must include the division and level of play (i.e., Provincial Team – Bantam A2). This will ensure the team is registered with the BCLA, but will avoid duplicate billing of players by the BCLA. *The Minor Directorate will have the final authority, with rationale, to make sure the teams are placed in the appropriate tiers for Provincial Championship games.*

CARRIED.

Motion to destroy the ballots by Dave Wilkie, seconded by Tom Kellett. CARRIED

*Moved by Tim Craggs, Seconded by Peter Frey
Amend to change “signed to Authorized” by Patti Burr, seconded Trevor Young*

Amend REGULATION 4: PLAYING RULES, 4.07 (a) that would read:

4.07 (a) A player may play up one division or calibre higher than that in which he/she is registered on a game by game basis only with the approval of the ***head coach of the team the player is registered with and a one game permit has been authorized by the head coaches of both teams. The call-up game permit will be accessible at the scorekeeper bench for the duration of the game and submitted to the Commissioner with the game sheet by the winning team or home team in the case of a tie.***

DEFEATED

*Proposed by Pete Frey, BCLA Minor Directorate Zone 4 Representative - **WITHDRAWN***

Amend REGULATION 4: PLAYING RULES, 4.12 that would read:

4.12 No team or player may play more than two (2) games per day (a calendar day) in exhibition, tournament, league or playoff games. ***There must be a minimum of a one and a half (1½) hour break between the end of the first game and the start of the second game.*** This includes players playing up in Seniors on a one game permit.

Moved by Dave Wilkie, Seconded by Rob Pearsall

Add new REGULATION 4: PLAYING RULES, 4.14 that would read:

4.14 *For Out-Of- Province Tournament Play teams must apply to the Minor Directorate, a minimum of 14 days prior to submitting their travel permit, to obtain permission to play at a different level of play than in BC. This applies to ‘zone select’ teams as well.*

CARRIED

*Proposed by Angie Schwan, BCLA Minor Directorate Chair - **WITHDRAWN***

Change REGULATION 4: PLAYING RULES by adding “SECTION A—MINOR BOX LACROSSE, and delete REGULATION 4: PLAYING RULES, 4.14 that currently reads:

4.14— Female Box Lacrosse Playing Rules

- (a) Female Box Lacrosse Rules—Novice (as per Minor Directorate Commissioner’s Package)
- (b) Female Box Lacrosse Rules—PeeWee, Bantam, Midget, and Junior (as per Minor Directorate Commissioner’s Package)
- (c) It is mandatory for all registered referees to attend BCLA referee clinics in each playing year.
- (d) The Minor Directorate will instruct the BCLOA that there is to be strict interpretation of the Female only rules and the Minor Directorate policy as written.

Motion by Dave Wilkie, Seconded by Beau Bradley

**1. Amendment to re number to 4.16 and 4.17 by Dave Wilkie, Seconded by Trevor Young.
CARRIED**

**2. Motion to Amend by Shawn House; to remove entire last sentence of 4.16 as written
POINT OF ORDER WAS CALLED BY DAVE WILKIE, MOTION GOES AGAINST
REGULATION 12.05 (b).**

**Add new REGULATION 4: PLAYING RULES SECTION B 4.15 Female Box Lacrosse
that would read:**

~~4.15 — In areas where Female Box is established (defined as an Association where a female program has existed for three consecutive years) and female players register to play on a Female Box team, players may not play/cross over to Boys/Mixed Minor Box Lacrosse and vice versa. Once a player has elected to play in one of these divisions, in order to change, they must receive permission of the Local Commission (see Regulation 8.07). Playing up is defined as playing up within the same playing format (i.e. Female Peewee to Female Bantam, NOT Female peewee to Minor Peewee or Minor Bantam)~~

~~4.16 — In areas where Female Box is still developing (defined as an Association where a female box program is less than three years old and or within a commission that has less than 3 Associations with established female box programs) players can cross over and or play up to Mixed/Minor Box lacrosse teams. Regular call up rules apply (see Regulation 4.07). In order to aid in Female Box Development, Commissions can, with the approval of the Minor Directorate, apply to put forth Female Zone teams in a playing division for the purposes of playing in Tournaments and Provincials. Applications would need to be sent to the BCLA office prior to April 30 of the playing year. All other appropriate regulations apply. As there would be no league play for these female zone teams, control of play/competition/discipline would be vested with the Female Box Lacrosse Chair. Players playing onto a Zone Female team must have the approval of the local Minor Box Association, their own Minor Box Coach and be supported by their parents. Furthermore, per Minor OP Regulation 12.05 (b), players can only play in one Provincial Tournament.~~

DEFEATED

Motion by Peter Frey, Seconded by Trevor Young

Amend to read (below) Motion by Peter Frey, seconded by Trevor Young

Amend REGULATION 5: COMMISSION COMPETITION, 5.01 that would read:

5.01 The control of all league competition shall be vested in the Commission.
The control of inter-commission and inter-provincial competition and Provincial
Championship play shall be vested in the Minor Directorate who may establish a commission
to govern such play. *~~Playoffs leading to Provincials and Provincial Championship play
shall be vested in the Minor Directorate.~~* Where there is no Commission in place, there must
be a minimum of four (4) games played between (the two) Associations per division.

CARRIED

Motion by Dave Wilkie, Seconded by Lance Hofseth

Amend REGULATION 7: MOVEMENT – SENIOR BOX TO MINOR, 7.01 that would read:

- 7.01 Movement to play down in the Minor Directorate from the Senior Directorate will only be approved under the following conditions:
- (a) The Local Minor Association must approve in writing and forward to their local commission for approval.
 - (b) Upon approval, the request must be forwarded to the Minor Directorate for approval before April 1st of the playing year.
 - (c) Upon approval of the request by the Minor Directorate, *it will be forwarded to the Senior Directorate for final approval.*

CARRIED

Moved by Tim Craggs, Seconded by Christina Stroup

REGULATION 8: MOVES, 8.05 currently reads:

Amend REGULATION 8: MOVES, 8.05 that would read:

- 8.05 Where there is no team available within the player's age group or in the case of a Female player, a team within the player's age group in the Female league, the player may play for another association with written release from his/her home association and written approval by their local Commission for the current playing season only. (This release is not counted as a grandfathering year.) The player will be placed where the *local Commission feels it would be in the best interest of the League and then the player.*

In cases where there is no Commission, and the player is requesting a release into another Commission/Zone, the President of the other Association where the player is requesting a release from must also approve of this release. If the release is granted/approved, the player will be placed by the Commission/Zone the player is being released to and will be placed where the Commission feels it would be in the best interest of the League and then the player. If the release is not granted/approved, the player can appeal the decision with the Minor Directorate.

CARRIED

Moved by Richard Paciejewski, seconded by Brock Rose

REGULATION 8: MOVES, 8.11 currently reads:

- 8.11 For those players attending a specialized school (i.e., hockey 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 and player. At the end of the school year, if the player wishes to move back to his/her original home association before the June 20th deadline, 8.06 shall apply.

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would be in the best interest of the league and *then the* player. At the end of the school year, if the player wishes to move back to his/her original home association before the June 20th deadline, 8.06 shall apply.

CARRIED

Moved by Warren Goss, Seconded by Rob Pearsall

Amend REGULATION 12: PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS, 12.01 that would read:

12.01 The BCLA Minor Directorate shall ensure that hosts are *selected* for all minor provincial championships from the minor associations, commissions or zones. *Applications to host Minor Provincials shall be due into the BCLA Office no later than the date set out on the application.*

CARRIED

Moved by Dave Wilkie, Seconded by Linda Cretney

Amend REGULATION 12: PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS, 12.03 that would read:

12.03 All Zones will play down to the following allotted number of teams:

Zone 1	1 team
Zone 2	1 team
Zone 3, 4, 5	3 teams
Zone 6	1 team
Zone 7	1 team
Zone 8	1 team
Host Association/Commission	1 team

* Any vacancies *may* be filled by the Provincial Minor Directorate.

CARRIED

Motion by Dave Wilkie, Seconded by Linda Cretney

~~**Amend REGULATION 12: PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS, 12.04 that would read:**~~

~~12.04 (a) Provincial Championships *may* be held for qualifying "A1", "A2", and "B" teams in Midget, Bantam and PeeWee Divisions.~~

~~(b) C Provincials *may* be held in divisions PeeWee, Bantam and Midget at the discretion of the Minor Directorate where sufficient teams are playing to hold a provincial. Divisions must have declared intentions from at least 4 provincial zones and at least 6 teams need to declare their intentions to enter such a provincial. If the C's are held, then all following subsections are valid for the C's as well.~~

~~(c) Provincials *may* be held in Female PeeWee, Bantam, Midget and Junior at the discretion of the Minor Directorate where sufficient teams are playing to hold a Provincial. Divisions must have declared intentions from at least four (4) provincial zones and at least six (6) teams need to declare their intentions to enter such a provincial.~~

DEFEATED

Moved by Brock Roads, Seconded by Stu Watson

Amend REGULATION 12: PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS, 12.04 (b) that would read:

12.04 (b) C Provincials shall be held in divisions PeeWee, Bantam and Midget at the discretion of the Minor Directorate where sufficient teams are playing to hold a provincial. Divisions must have declared intentions from at least ~~6~~ provincial zones and at least ~~8~~ teams need to declare their intentions to enter such a provincial. If the C's are held, then all following subsections are valid for the C's as well.

DEFEATED

Moved by Dave Wilkie, Seconded by Tony Cable

REGULATION 12: PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS, 12.05 (a) currently reads:

Amend REGULATION 12: PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS, 12.05 (a) that would read:

12.05 Eligibility.

- (a) To be eligible to play in a Provincial Championship tournament, a player must have played in a minimum of four league, sanctioned tournament games or play-off games, or combination of, during the current year with the team they are registered with. *A copy of the original team registration form will be used to verify the declared team roster at the coaches meeting. In addition, for call-ups to be eligible, they must have played 4 games in total at a higher division and/or calibre than the team they are registered with.* Proof of game sheets must be provided to the Playoff Director.

CARRIED

Moved by Rob Pearsall, Seconded by Kyle Shanks

Add new REGULATION 18: FIGHTING that would read:

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- 18.01 Fighting is not allowed in Minor Box Lacrosse.***
- 18.02 Fighting is currently addressed by the FIL Rule 78.1 as: The deliberate striking or attempting to strike an opponent, a non-playing member of the opponent's squad, a coach or anyone controlling the play of the game with the hand, cross, ball or otherwise by a player, substitute, a non-playing member of a squad, a coach or anyone officially connected with a team may be an expulsion foul.***
- 18.03 A third player entering into an altercation will be automatically expelled from the game.***
- 18.04 Any person leaving the bench when the benches have been frozen may be expelled from the game.***
- 18.05 One punch thrown, whether it lands on the intended recipient or not, or anyone else, constitutes a fight.***
- 18.06 Suspensions:***
1st Fight – Game Misconduct plus 2 Game Additional Suspension
2nd Fight – Game Misconduct plus 4 Game Additional Suspension
3rd Fight – Game Misconduct and Indefinite Suspension Pending a Hearing

CARRIED

Moved by Dave Wilkie, Seconded by Christina Stroup

Add new Regulation 21.06 (c) and re-number (c) to (f) to REGULATION 21: SUMMER GAMES that would read:

21.06 (c) *The Zone Director is to ensure that all players registered for the Summer Games are informed of where and when tryouts will take place. It is recommended that wherever possible, players have a minimum of seventy-two (72) hours advance notice. Preference is that a week or more notice be given.*

CARRIED

Moved by Gord McIntosh, Seconded by Trevor Young

REGULATION 21: SUMMER GAMES, 21.07 (a) currently reads:

Amend REGULATION 21: SUMMER GAMES, 21.07 (a) that would read:

21.07 Overtime Rules

- (a) During Round Robin play OT will be played to decide all games. Due to time constraints of the bus schedules the Provincial Advisor (or Sport Chair if PA is not on site) will determine how many periods can be played at the end of regulation time. Teams will rest 2 minutes, *not* change ends and play 10 minute periods, Sudden victory of running time until the time stop determined by the PA is reached or two OT period have been played. If still tied then the team that scores the first goal of the game will be declared the winner of the game.

CARRIED

7. Election of Officers. Myrna Cable, BCLA Secretary, took over to Chair the Elections.

Minor Directorate Chair - Nominations: Angie Schwan, Pete Frey

A secret ballot was held, and Angie Schwan was elected as Chair. *It was moved by Dave Wilkie, seconded by Tim Craggs that the Secretary destroy the ballots.* CARRIED.

Minor Director Secretary - Nomination: Tracy Marriott

Tracy Marriott was elected by acclamation. The Secretary was asked to cast one ballot.

8. New Business:

- Discussion regarding tournament Penalty Summary Sheets and getting that information to Commissioners.
- Discussion regarding MD Sanctioned Tournaments and team placements.
- Announcement of Provincial Championship Tournament Hosts:
Peewee- July 10-14 in Kamloops
Bantam-July 17-21 in Delta
Midget-July 24-28 TBA
Female-July 18-21 TBA
Host Application form will be posted on BCLA website with extension date information.
- Ron McQuarrie addressed delegates regarding Team BC information. National dates TBA. Peewee and Midget in Ontario, Bantam in Quebec, Females in Nova Scotia. Ron suggested that BC host Peewee, Bantam, and Midget in 2014 and requested associations to consider hosting.

9. **Motion to adjourn.** Dave Wilkie moved that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting adjourned at 11:45 AM.