

JDF Lacrosse Association Executive

Meeting Minutes

1 Aug, 2024 – 7 pm /Online MS TEAMS

Meeting called to order: Moved by Adam 7:02 pm, 2nd by Dawn, all in favor, carried

Adoption of Agenda: Moved by Dawn, 2nd by Jill, all in favor, carried

Adoption of July Minutes: Moved by Nikila, 2nd by Dawn, all in favor, carried

Adoption of Reports of Committee Members: Moved by Brittney, 2nd by Niki, all in favor, carried

Attendance: Jill Denis, Niki Williams, Nikila Cyr, Matt McRae, Rob Ponte, Adam, Ranns, Dawn Ranns, Ryan Hyland, Brittany Corkery, Jean Gallagher, Jessica Lejeune

Non-executive members: Sabrina Booth, Wendy Hall, Sherri Dixon- Little

Reports of Committee Members:

President – Adam Ranns

Congratulations to all the teams that made it to provincials this year, The VP's for box can fill in more detail about how the season went with their age groups.

The Island Field AGM was held July 8th and there is not too much to report. One we receive the minutes I can forward what motions were passed, all of them where just clearing up language to mirror more of the BCLA. There were mentions about the field lacrosse schedule and the officiating schedule being done better and that they learned some lessons from last year that should help fix some of the issues for this year. Once I receive the minutes, I will forward them on to the group.

The assessment committee met to discuss field lacrosse assessments. we discussed the following topics

- registration. Jean has registration up and running, hopefully we can transition over to credit card in the next week or so to make it easier on her.
- Team sizes. We are going to put a waitlist on some teams, mainly focussing on the U11 if it looks like we are going to have enough for two large teams then we can move forward with that. If not, we may have to ask for an oversized team

but this gives us flexibility with a group that is difficult to get commitment from.

- I will be getting practice plans ready to be reviewed by the committee at our next meeting mid-august.
- Coach interviews will start the week before assessments, and coach applications are up. I only have a few applications in so please reach out to anyone interested in coaching and let them know to sign up.
- We have the assessment dates set and they are online. We will need to start to look for assessors so if anyone has any names, please let me know.
- The committee is reviewing the assessment sheet and will bring recommendations forward for the next meeting n areas to improve on.

I will be meeting with Coast Capital to be added to the bank accounts which means more people working on the payments. This should help spread the load in the financial areas.

We have a back to the field session set for August ${\scriptstyle 17}^{\rm th}$ at 6pm at the velodrome.

I am currently working on a drills and plays/set formations book for our coaches for field lacrosse.

Vice- President Box 1- Niki Williams nothing to report.

Vice-President Box 2 – Nic Collison nothing to report.

Vice-President Box 3- Jennifer Lambert nothing to report.

Vice-President Field 1 – Matt Towle nothing to report.

Vice President Field 2- Devin Johns

Not a lot to report on from my side.

Adam has hit the most important parts with registration open, waitlisting and assessment days and times being up. I am sure will bring a busy August.

I have one play down request for the field season so far that fits the criteria so that is moving forward.

I am away until August 12 in Europe with the family so I will not be able to attend the upcoming meeting.

Vice-President Female – Dawn Ranns

Congratulations to all the female box teams that went to Provincials to represent the Island. We had three teams at U13, U15, and U22 play in Provincials this year. Thank you to all the coaches, managers, officials, parents, and the many volunteers that worked to make this season of female box a success. Each year the team continue to grow and we are seeing more and more females interested in both box and field lacrosse,

This week Tuesday July 30-August 2 JDF is hosting a female field summer camp for U7-U13 players. We have 21 players registered for camp with many new faces to the field.

After two days the players are having a great time and excited to be on the field. Thank you to all the volunteers that have dedicated their time to helping grow the sport. A special thanks to Jean Gallager for her endless help with communication, registration, and T-shirt ordering. Thank you to all the player coaches and adult coaches that have helped make this week so successful.

Registration for the female field lacrosse season is underway. It looks like we should have several teams this year from U7–U18. Please continue to help promote the sport and encourage new and returning registrations. There is a female back to the field date scheduled for Thursday August 29 from 6:00–7:00 Pm at the Velodrome for new and returning players. Female field lacrosse practices will begin the first week of September. Practices days and time are still TBD.

JDF and Nanaimo are working on co-hosting a female field tournament this Fall the weekend of November 1 in Nanaimo on the new fields with female lines. We are still working on the paperwork and approval from the BCLA for the tournament. More information will be coming as we move forward.

There has been an increased interest in Female lacrosse over the past few years. JDF will be looking for more parents, former players, high school players, or other volunteers to help coach some of the female teams this year. If you have any interest in helping coach a female team, please feel free to email myself, Dawn Ranns for more information.

At the Island Field AGM on July 8, I agreed to take on the Female Island representative and will be taking on a more active roll to help promote female field lacrosse here.

Secretary - Jessica Lejeune-

I just received a letter in our mailbox from the District of Metchosin. They are pleased to donate \$900 of their municipal funds after I attended their council meeting and spoke, advocating for our association. I asked for funds to be used for jersey replacements, goalie gear replacements, female field lacrosse initiatives/potential tournament, coaches and officials training. I will be making a thank you post for our social pages and our website.

Treasurer - Jesse Lawson- nothing to report.

Registrar - Jean Gallagher-

Registration is open as has been mentioned already. The new system is not straightforward and requires a lot more manual entry than the previous system –-it is terribly time consuming. I am hoping to have things more streamlined by box season, either for myself or whomever will be in this role.

Numbers are lower than expected. There's 67 total registered across all divisions. I can provide a better breakdown for anyone interested at tomorrow's meeting.

2 players from Cowichan are looking to play with JDF but have been referred to Mid Island for release.

Head Coach Box - Curt Morwick- Nothing to report

Head Coach Field – Adam Ranns- see President's Report

Head Referee – Rob Cook nothing to report.

Referee Allocator box- Cass Jutting

Nothing to report but I am curious to find out if I am allocating for Field season.

Referee Allocator field- Vacant

Equipment Manager – Rob Ponte- Nothing to report.

Risk Management – Matt Towle Nothing to report.

Gaming - Rochelle McRae- Nothing to report

Jersey Manager box- Gina Lawson Nothing to report.

Jersey Manager Field- Matt McRae- Nothing to report.

Webmaster – Stephen Laws- Nothing to report.

Whaler Wear Coordinator – Ashley Petch Nothing to report.

Head Manager box – Jill Denis

A request has been made to the bank clear all signors from the team back accounts and to prepare the accounts for field season.

Coaches/Managers feedback form data is being compiled and anonymous feedback will be shared with the box and field head coaches as well as field head manager.

Just waiting on 2 teams end of season packages and a few tablets to be returned to wrap up my box season.

Working with Jean to look into a way to have medical forms and parent contracts filled out digitally as part of registration. Hoping to be able to make this change for next box season.

Head Manager field- Alicia Hayes

I have spoken with Angela regarding photos, we let her know what we were looking for this time and what we are hoping to avoid this season. I'm hopeful that things will be better this go around, but if people are still unhappy with the photos, I will start looking right away for a new photographer for box season.

I'm going to attach the quote Angela has provided for cost. I know that it must be approved and voted in.

Unfortunately this season we had more complaints than in previous seasons regarding the quality of the pictures. We did investigate and found out that he does not look at every individual photo. Due to all the complaints, we decided not to rehire his company this time. Jill will be able to speak more to this tomorrow night on my behalf.

Quote from Angela-

Quote for 2024/25 Field Lacrosse Photos – JDF Lacrosse Association

Option 1:

10.00 ea athlete:

Athletes will receive an edited, high resolution composite photo with team and athlete (8x10) and a cardstock frame.

Option 2:

10.00ea for first 100 athletes and 8.00ea for every athlete after.

Athletes will receive an edited, high resolution composite photo with team and athlete (8x10) without cardstock frame.

Floor Allocator - Kyla Pedlow nothing to report.

Field Allocator - Nikila Cyr nothing to report.

Tournament Coordinator – Brittney Corkery

I have nothing to report for tournaments, but I am happy to help where I can with the female tournament Dawn is working on with Nanaimo!

Marketing Manager- Jessica Lejeune- There were three Goldstream Gazette articles about JDF Lacrosse in July issues. I submitted the one for the Debbie Cooper Memorial Tournament, thank you to Jordan Waters whoever submitted the other. Currently working on promoting field season registration for both co-ed and female, coaching applications, and officials training when ready.

Past President- Ryan Hyland- nothing to report.

Agenda

Review of Old Business: None

New Business

Торіс	Action Item	Responsible
Jessica - AGM Date, when would you like me to book Royal Bay theater for it?	-Look into booking Royal Bay Theatre, 17 th of November, Sunday evening. Will brainstorm ideas to keep kids busy during election portion of AGM. AGM first, awards 2 ^{nd.} This will ensure larger attendance for the AGM.	Jessica Adam
-Player awards- same budget as last year? Andrea Harvey is able to make them again	-Adam will look in to finances for budget on awards and report back. -Adam attending meeting at bank on	
-Marketing payments over due.	Thursday to help with banking transactions.	

Jill/Alicia -Photo day feedback and info for this field season.	Lots of negative feedback on team photos from box. Will bring back Angela B from previous seasons for field pictures.	Alicia
Cass- field ref allocator position for this season?	Sarah Nishimura is willing to take on this role, elected directors will discuss and vote via email. This is an appointed position.	Niki

Next Meeting: 5 September 2024 7pm JDF Seniors Center

Meeting Adjourned: Adam moved at 730pm