

Lower Mainland meeting – April 9 2019 – Call to order 7:08 pm

Attendance: -

Beth McLucas (chair)	- present
Pam Mason (secretary)	- present
Lynda Callard (Treasurer)	- present
Gord Miller (zone 3)	- present
Mike O'Connor (zone 4)	- present
Mary Clare (zone 5)	- present
Jeff MacAulay (Coaches)	- absent
Doug Wright (officials)	- present
Abbotsford	- present
Burnaby	- present
Coquitlam	- absent
Chilliwack	- present
Delta	- present
Langley	- present
Mission	- present
New Westminster	- present
North Shore	- present
Port Coquitlam	- present
Port Moody	- present
Richmond	- present
Ridge Meadows	- present
Semiahmoo	- present
Surrey	- present
Sunshine Coast	- absent
Vancouver	- present

Approval of minutes: Tamara and Sean

Treasurer's Report: 1 returned cheque for fees and two associations still owe the fees

There will be a new budget, there will be an addition to admin

Bank Balance: \$20500

Zone Reports:

- reminded of specials sessions
- Doing 5 year strategic plan next weekend
- Gaming grant applications are open and close at the end of May
- Wheel chair lacrosse has been going on
- Respect in sport is not mandatory but a good thing to have parents take

- BC summer games had to deal with a lot of issues and will be clamping down next year
- Provincial accommodations – very tight in Nanaimo – there is a dorm experience
 - o If a team books a hotel let Pam know so that she can keep track of who has hotels
- Team BC tryouts there about 350 players registered for camps, and girls still have another month
- Female ceremonies will be restored – parameters will be set for the event
- There is now a female team in Penticton – will be coming to play in a tournament
- PTP teams are suggested to report to us if they not in the correct
- There was a housekeeping error in the policy for provincial team sizes
- Floor issue for Langley was discussed and other associations having the same issue

Female Report:

- Junior girls are playing with the bigger nets – need to remind the officials and the arenas of the changes

Coaches –

- The deadline for certification is May 1 - cannot be on the bench after that until trained
- If you go to a clinic after May 1 you cannot be on the bench until
- Commissioners are being asked to check NCCP numbers
- There will be a check of numbers on the data base – they will ask for a list of coach
- Already been a suspension
- And coaches need to control their bench

Officials –

- Last clinic was last weekend
- There will be a clinic in late may
- On floor training should be happening now and well as referee meetings
- Looking for a second head referee Mid- May – corresponds with application due date for provincials
- All officials were giving an application for the provincials with their handbook
- Need to get officials applications in and will spend time evaluating – nationals they need to be at minimum 18 and if traveling to
- If help is needed with on floor training let Mike
- RIC for tournaments it is usually 3 game fees for that division and the expectation would be that they are there for the whole day.

New Business:

- If there is a female playing junior B boys she cannot play junior girls as it is senior to minor
- If a girl is playing on a mixed team or on a female team they cannot cross over once they have played their first game

- Make sure that your clubs send their information to the commissioners who the contacts are
- Will double check that the links are going to the correct person
- Female teams going to the island , so far they are only giving the month of April
- Still have a few releases to do and may find that junior girls may not have enough teams for the girls to play on
- Few clubs that have asked for over-sized teams
- Motion by Bob and Sandy: to close down the discussion on oversized teams as this discussed and at the March Declaration - carried
 - o Ridge Meadows would like to over size their Midget B team
 - none of the kids on the B team wanted to play on the A team there is a lack of commitment with some of the players, if they got denied they would not play
 - o Richmond would like to over size at Pee Wee C
 - Would like to have one until tiering as we have two that have not showed and if they do then they can practice but can not play
 - o Vancouver Midget A2, Pee Wee C, Novice
 - Midget the plan to have the teams merged with North Shore fell apart
 - None of the players want to be releases
 - Pee Wee and Novice – Warriors have been doing the school programs and have had 6 players at each added.
 - For pee wee A2 have 17 players and asking 25 players at C
- Vancouver is asking for two teams due to an increase to 29 players
 - o Motion: to have two teams at B and C for Novice – Mike from Vancouver and Sean – approved
 - o Novice C team can set up exhibition games
- In Port Moody – they are instituting a no comments on Referees in their arena
 - o No negative or positive comments allowed and people will be removed
- Surrey referees are being told not to confront the crowd but to go to the home coach
 - o And will be up to the coach to get the person to leave the building
- Abuse of officials will not be tolerated and will be dealt with at our level and if parents are keep abusing officials they will not be allowed in the arena at all
- Referees control the game – certified senior officials observing the game are not allowed to interfere and cannot take over the game, they can ask how can we support or assist the situation
- In Langley they are going to have a meeting with coaches and referees in the tiering break to discuss issues and see the referees as who they are not in a pressure situation
- They send out a letter the whole team and then a separate one to the suspected person
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Motion to adjourn at 8:05 pm – Randy

NEXT MEETING – Tuesday May 7 2019 7pm Copeland Arena