

**Lower Mainland meeting**  
**April 11 2023**  
**Port Coquitlam Rec Centre & Via Zoom**

**Call to order 7:06pm**

Attendance: -

Sandra Margetson (Chair)	- present	Delta-	- Absent
Josh Wahl (vice-chair)	- present	Langley-Alex	- present
Pam Mason (secretary)	- present	Mission- Jason	- present
Lynda Callard (Treasurer)	- Absent	New Westminster-Rich	- Absent
Nicole Kokoska (female)	- present	North Shore -Shannon	- present
Mike O'Connor (zone 4)	- present	Port Coquitlam- Stacey/Josh	- present
Michael Hagel (zone 5)	- present	Port Moody -Allen/Dave	- present
Jeff MacAulay (Zone 3)	- present	Richmond-Greg	- present
Doug Wright (officials)	- absent	Ridge -Dave/Rob/Tyson	- present
Rob Arden (coaches)	- absent	Semiahmoo -Mark/Pat	- present
Abbotsford-Becky	- present	Surrey-Jamie	- present
Burnaby -Susan/Nicole	- present	Sunshine Coast-Scott	- present
Coquitlam – Stuart/Garrett	- present	Vancouver -Michael	- present
Chilliwack -	- absent		

**Approval of minutes March 2023 – Dave, Jeff**

**Treasurer's Report:** No Treasurers report

**Bank Balance:**

**Zone Reports:**

- Introduced to Jill Krop
- AGM and event planner has been engaged – stripped down affair.
- BCLA logo making changes
- Gaming grant May 31
- Negotiation to have fusion and Warriors run school program.
- New Warrior agreement
- BC6's has a new foundation that will have a tournament
- Lacrosse Canada will be holding their SAG
- Nationals for Manitoba and Saskatchewan combining for female
- Arbiter system is about \$6100 for 500 licenses the cost of assigners.
- BCLA will not be paying for that next year – see how it is this year
- Ramp also has an assigning program

- Carryover suspension list is posted to the COP
- COP is the way the office connects to associations.
- Jill is keen to have a best practice to be shared for tournaments
- Age down request were handled
- Look at parameters of combined teams and time
- Zone 4 only one association had achieve pre-covid numbers
- Zone 3 &5 numbers dictate the same that we are down numbers
- Need to pump up the sport and get into the schools with the program

#### **Female Report:**

- Reached out to all of the female reps and get the numbers
- Some confusion over the rules and normal confusion
- Confusion on female side, hard to get information out to everyone
- Presidents need to be better at communicating to the teams
- Nicole researching the cost of buses for the island
- Now teams are responsible for their own transportation
- Was it not an issue around liability for kids getting into personal cars

#### **Coaches Report:**

- Make sure coaches book clinics
- Form 100's filled and sent on time, make sure to go through it -May 1
- If you don't get your form 100 in on-time you will be fined and and could be removed from provincials
- More clinics are coming and finding an issue with getting clinicians

#### **Officials Report:**

- Look at a catch-up clinic
- Trying to address the new phones that do not use arbiter
- And trying to overcome issues of email etc
- On-floor clinic went well and thanks you to the clubs
- Any chance of putting arbiter on hold for the season
- This was brought forward by the officials group
- Use it side by side
- Discussion about arbiter and can we wait until after tiering
- Finding officials are having hard time to with arbiter
- All of the issues that anyone is having please send to the zone reps so that we can get the issue and concerns sent to them so that we can take it back to
- Garrett approved that their assigner not use arbiter as he was going to loose his assigners

- Asked how did this come in place – implemented too quickly and why are we going down the past when people didn't have the scope or magnitude – strong voice to the referee association – maybe we didn't think this through and loose by in.
- Training component was a huge miss
- We did have these concerns at the meeting
- Sandra will reach out and it is not really working for us on the Mainland
- Emails need to stop
- The app does not work

### **New Business:**

- Mission oversized – U15 female at 23 would request at 25 – Jason second Garret - passed
- Females schedules –
  - Can reschedule for island – no teams have to go
  - Reduced fare for the players and not the adults
  - Max visits to the islands
  - Cancellation will be in jeopardy
  - This has been happening for 20 years
  - Now it is league play to make it more accountable
  - Tbr's, not having coaches or not having players is not reason to reschedule
  - Sandra is willing to go back and discuss with John about this weekend schedule
  - Nicole -this helps grow the game – were given 7 days notice to go over
  - Lots of discussion and will advise
  - Mainland teams please provide Pam times by April 18
- Interlocking for U13 -for week 2& 3 will adjust
- Rescheduling TBR -if you are scheduled for the two games
  - Remind all of the manager all of the rules for rescheduling games
  - Valid reason conflict, send a note to forward to managers
  - Tournaments can be rescheduled.
- Scheduling for tiering for all ages
  - Appropriate scheduling during the scheduling period if there was concerns brought to the commissioner early not
  - Commissioner can deal with the scheduling
- U-11 Mission release -to Poco
  - Read 8.09 BCLA policy
    - Complete the release request for approval all information must be filled out and more information can be requested by the commission
  - Allen asking what was done wrongly – players requested release and the player was placed on a team that does not have low numbers
  - This was a release where the association denied the release and the family sent to the Immlc

Motion to adjourn at: 9:04pm Michael

NEXT MEETING – May