

Lower Mainland meeting
January 17th 2023
Via Zoom

Call to order 7:04pm

Attendance: -

Sandra Margetson (Chair)	- present	Delta- Jason	- present
Josh Wahl (vice-chair)	- present	Langley-Alex	- present
Pam Mason (secretary)	- present	Mission- Jason	- present
Lynda Callard (Treasurer)	- absent	New Westminster-Kevin	- present
Nicole Kokoska (female)	- present	North Shore -Shannon	- present
Mike O'Connor (zone 4)	- present	Port Coquitlam- Heidi	- present
Michael Hagel (zone 5)	- absent	Port Moody -Allen	- present
Jeff MacAulay (Zone 3)	- absent	Richmond	- present
Doug Wright (officials)	- present	Ridge Meadows-Dave	- 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	- present
Chilliwack -Chris	- present		

Approval of minutes September 2022 – Nicole & Chris

Treasurer's Report: No report

Bank Balance:

Zone Reports: We have a meeting coming up on Saturday

The big agenda item will be to approve the association tournament applications.

Female Report:

- Females nothing really to add currently.
- Looking forward to the new scheduling that we will be doing with the island.
- Looking to get female floor time earlier.
- Where are we at with trying to align the girl's program with the boys
- Why do we have to have at least 12 teams to have both A and B
- Let's look into the policy to see if we can do a friendly amendment to allow the policy to not be followed –
- Was originally put into policy to get tiering to work for the league

Coaches Report: No Report

Officials Report:

- Clinician workshop coming up soon
- Clinics will be published soon, expect to have clinics start the first week of March
- There are no major rules and changes and Lacrosse Canada has not sent anything
- The most significant change is that we are going to involve ourselves in on floor training as much as possible, looking to have a on floor training session with all entry level and level 1 officials will need to do on floor – will be a requirement for 2024 and possibly for 2023. Have sessions with various stations to discuss positioning, crease play, signals etc, will do as early as dry floors are available provided appropriate lines are in place
- Will do at each club and will arrange with clubs
- On-floor training for associations – with an exhibition game with 6 officials with a mentor official and cycle them in to get them used to the game – more onto the head referees to complete these.
- New Vice Chair Dallas Lister is busy organizing the arbiter session has done one session and planning a second session. Need a list of head referees and who your allocators are. So that we have a good list of who is the contact information. It is going live very soon and will do more training sessions as needed.
- Make sure to send who is the head referee and if you do not have one please let her know as well
- Do we anticipate that there will be an increase in the fees for the referees – not anticipating it and does not know for certain as they are working on a budget for it
- If clubs can fill a clinic within themselves can a separate clinic be set up – most likely not available – not a lot of people to run a clinic can't promise to have people to run a clinic.
- We have lost clinicians this last year about 3 or 4 people but may get additional
- Send out Dallas's information vcminordallas@gmail.com

New Business:

- Commissioner names need to be in by February 1
 - Oversee the division.
 - Work with teams on scheduling
- Updated
- Suspension list – will be coming out and to remember to look at the whole thing.
 - If there are any error
- Website – do you want email forwarding to yourself and do you want.
- Provincial – U15 – looking for a host for July 20-23
 - Should have hosts for all the events and will be confirming on Saturday.
 - U13 and Female will be July 6th-9th
 - U17 will be changing to July 27-30th most likely.
- Jack Crosby – Coquitlam did apply for July 9th weekend – Garrett will withdraw his

- Poco applied as well and will remove their request.
- Burnaby Lake arena will not be torn down until 2024 – Burnaby will be hosting the tournament this year for U11 July 6th -9th
- Sunshine coast is having challenges with spring hockey and asking for advice on how to continue growing the players.
 - Might be documents to show hockey players that it is better to play lacrosse and helps with making them better hockey players.
 - Baseball players give out flyers.
 - Do information sessions at the schools and have the young level players as well. Any try it programs get the words out.
 - BCLA has a development program.
 - A schedule is also helpful to have families work around.
- Lawn signs – first order is in and the second one is for mid February.
- Meeting minutes were part of the meeting invite.
- Will ask Lynda if she wants to bill people at declarations.
- Warriors have been out at schools and they have been instructed now to work with the youth clubs. Have done associations and have not communicated to the clubs

Motion to adjourn at:7:56 Doug

NEXT MEETING – February 13 or 15th Port Coquitlam Rec Centre (Hybrid)