

Lower Mainland meeting
February 13 2024
Langley Event Centre – Meeting room B

Call to order 7:03pm

Attendance: -

Sandra Margetson (Chair)	- present	Delta- Jason/Nick	- present
Josh Wahl (vice-chair)	- present	Langley-Alex/	- present
Pam Mason (secretary)	- present	Mission- Imat	- present
Lynda Callard (Treasurer)	- present	New Westminster-Rich	- present
Grant Morrison (female)	- present	North Shore -Kim	- present
Mike O'Connor (zone 4)	- present	Port Coquitlam- Heidi	- present
Michael Hagel (zone 5)	- present	Port Moody - Allen	- present
Sean Reid (Zone 3)	- present	Richmond-Adam	- present
Angie Ried/Doug (officials)	- present	Ridge – Will/Robb	- present
Jeff MacAuly(coaches)	- absent	Semiahmoo -Mark	- Present
Abbotsford-Becky/Victoria	- present	Surrey-Jamie/Katie	- present
Burnaby -Susan/Nicole	- present	Sunshine Coast- Scott	- present
Coquitlam – Bradley	- present	Vancouver -Michael	- present
Chilliwack -Chris	- present		

Approval of minutes January 2024 – Alex and Chris

Treasurer's Report – went to Vancity to go to a tier account

- Would need to have a tiered account – transfer in can be auto set up
- Can set up a separate email account for e-transfers in and have multiple
- How to safeguard to e-transfers in and out for associations will look at different safeguards and giving them back
- Motion to open an account at Vancity and move the money from TD Canada Trust to Vancity for our banking purposes, with the following positions having signing authority, Chair, Secretary, Treasurer (currently Sandra Margetson, Pam Mason, Lynda Callard) – Motioned by Lynda Callard second Sean Reid - carried

Bank Balance: \$ 24,000 is approximately

Zone Reports:

- Sean – its been an interesting learning club – one respectful and one not so respectful;
- Michael & Michael– nothing to report
- Minor directorate meeting from January 20th
- BCCLA is going to be using Ramp for registration

- Presenting the strategic plan and financials from 2023
- Will also be discussing Wuilbert's issue from Kelowna
- AGM for Whistler is probably not going to happen is a \$100,000, there is talk of having it here
- Ontario Lacrosse association mostly to do with Chris Fox's international league Lacrozse Canada does not want to limit private clubs
- Team BC camps are on the BCLA website and will be posted on our websites
- Applications are out
- Team BC June 13-16th travel dates Female, June 6-10 for Male
- All of the Team BC have been told to attend their box first team BC second
- Asked coaches to track coaches a little better and more data
- Maple Ridge West Coast Classic was denied for tournaments
- Approved many tournaments
- Provincials – Jill is working on using someone to book all of the hotels for the provincials

Female Report:

- Most saw the email about two weeks ago
- Coming back from u15 commissioner there was not real competition at some two of the teams and to make a league took the next 4 teams to make a divisions
- Year before we had combined teams and not perfect but more competitive than last year
- Trying to get on top of the females to have a competitive division and an A division
- If you have two teams in an association, you shouldn't combine with another association
- Will be in touch with female reps or presidents
- How are the number in female going in the past few years
- Lynda will get the number of females over the last few years

Coaches Report:

- No present

Officials Report:

- Angie Reid is LMMLC rep –
- Ramp is going to be used for the assigning for the officials
- Dallas is working on getting everything set up
- Training will be happening in March
- Clinics are open and there is a register now and click to register
- Easier but also struggles with it
- Dave sent an update of who has registered for the association

- Going to continue with on floor training – in anticipation of the floor time and looking for 15 floor times and 1.5 hours and looking for time to be donated – clinics start at the end of the month
- Using first u11 games to help them get real game experience 6-8 officials take part in that game
- Summer games – looking at sponsorship for officials
- Michael O'Connor moves to sponsor the officials up to \$1500 at the BC summer games for game fees 2024 in Maple Ridge, second Jason Delta – Carried
- Looking for doing for recruitments and retention
- Assigning people to games its age, ability, and skill
- Emerging from the covid year of no entry level officials – can have some more at U15 this year due to it
- Teaching the three-man system and suggesting starting at U11 and moving up from them.
- It is up to the club to assign two or three officials to advance and need at least two a week to expand their skills – brand new officials is limited the amount of floor time
- How do we ensure that the correct level official is on the game

New Business:

- Interlocking females play with Island
- We went back to them with out suggestions, and we got back results today
 - Incorporated the suggestions that LMMLC
 - Attach – email from John
 - am attaching my most recent draft of the inter-locking league agreement. I have incorporated the requested amendments by the LMMLC into the agreement . The Vancouver Island associations and Shane Mellish have been working hard with arranging floor time and game scheduling to make the experience of playing island teams more positive for the mainland teams. Transportation costs should be less with bussing to and from games and possible car pooling, and no games will be canceled unless there are unforeseen travel disruptions.

Nanaimo has done a great job of increasing their female registration and they will have 2 teams at U11, U13 and U 15 and one team in each of U17 and U22. They will declare A and B teams in U13 and U15. Victoria-Esquimalt will have a team in each division except U11. Other than U 22, their teams will declare B.

As Female Chair and with momentum building on the island, there is an enormous benefit to running inter-locking league again. But it needs to be a positive experience for all involved. I would kindly request confirmation, as soon as possible, from the LMMLC that it will participate again.

- Motion to accept the interlocking agreement for league play between LMMLC and VIMLC for the 2024 season – Nicole and Allen - Accepted
- Update club information the BCLA office-
- Combines teams for 2024
 - For both female and youth(co-ed)

- Start your discussions with the other clubs
- Update your numbers weekly
- Come to the declaration meeting with agreements
-
- Female tiering-
 - Discussed earlier and to try and keep kids playing together
 - Zoom meeting to have a working group for females – Grant to set a time
- Projected team numbers
 - Keep updating your numbers
- League Dates
 - April 8th start date
- Declaration Meeting
 - March 13th – Number by the Thursday prior
 - Declaration sheet will be sent out after family day weekend
- 6's Discussion
 - BCLA wants to set up a committee Michael O will sit as the md member
 - They are not going to have a separate directive for the league
 - And will also want to set up weekends to have it
 - Not sure we want to cannibalize
 - No plan yet and need to have accessibility
 - Keith Gange has asked to if Langley would turn into a 6's tournament amongst the Langley decided against it.
 - Its event driven and when it would be played

Motion to adjourn @ 8:42

NEXT MEETING – March 13 7pm Langley Event Centre meeting room A