

Lower Mainland meeting
January 16 2024
Via Zoom

Call to order 7:04pm

Attendance: -

Sandra Margetson (Chair)	- present	Delta- Erin/Nick	- present
Josh Wahl (vice-chair)	- present	Langley-Alex/Kara	- present
Pam Mason (secretary)	- present	Mission- Imat	- present
Lynda Callard (Treasurer)	- Absent	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 - Dave/Allen	- present
Sean Reid (Zone 3)	- present	Richmond-Pam	- present
Doug Wright (officials)	- absent	Ridge – Will/Robb	- present
Jeff MacAuly(coaches)	- absent	Semiahmoo	- absent
Abbotsford-Becky/Victoria	- present	Surrey-Tim	- present
Burnaby -Susan/Nicole	- present	Sunshine Coast- Scott	- present
Coquitlam – Stuart	- present	Vancouver -Michael	- present
Chilliwack -Chris	- present		

Approval of minutes September 2023 – Michael O & Nick

Treasurer's Report – no treasurer report

Bank Balance: \$

Zone Reports:

- Nothing to report – meeting this Saturday

Female Report:

- Nicole has stepped down from her position
- Grant Morrison has been appointed

Coaches Report:

- Clinics for clinicians will be starting at the end of the month
- Clinics for coached will be starting in March
- Have we got new clinicians and should have some more there was a meeting with BCLA to change the policy that they use to have clinicians

Officials Report:

- Looking at switching to Ramp and should have more information about this after the minor directorate meeting - details are still being worked out they must make changes to ramp for the session – allocators should get in contact with Dallas if they have specific
- Floor time they may need for training of the new officials – will not run scrimmages will try and run on floor training during the first and second games with not more than 8 officials and can do during the exhibition games or regular season games
- Will need floor time for the open floor session and will run about 20 officials and will take about an hour each – would need floor time available –
- Send to himself or Dallas any questions
- We have not set a schedule a schedule 24th of February, spring break will cause issues with clinics being held in March, likely have to run at least one if not two in April
- Workshop for clinicians next weekend there are no rule changes
- Will be teaching three man and the expectation will allow clubs to go with two or three if they chose and can make that based on the needs of the club

New Business:

- Interlocking female play with Island
 - They would provide four floor times so teams could play two games
 - 630am wrapped up by 3pm and catch the 430 games
 - Island is working with their floor allocator to block their teams
 - Would look at sending an A teams and B team
 - Could slot in team later in the schedule for associations with one team
 - John wanted us to vote as soon as possible on the – some back and forth with junior looking at having 4 teams on island
 - Nanaimo is looking at having two teams at their age groups
 - U17 female level is very high and would want to have a longer break between games – 90 minutes wouldn't be long enough for U17
 - Concern around 9am games – they were not set in stone for game times
 - Trying to be more organized for games compared to last year
 - Bus company will be billed directly to the associations not the team
 - They do not have to take the bus and is an option
 - Island teams will travel to the mainland no more that two times
 - Mainland teams will still play double headers, bus company would still be transporting to Nanaimo to Victoria
 - Bus would transport to the ferry – was the information given need clarification
 - Would be at the cost of the teams traveling
 - Bus is approximately 1600 over on the Ferry and would be about 575 if they pick up at the one end
 - Still stuck with the expense and the time inconvenience

- If teams are so unbalanced and would they want to play the games
- There were over 80 games last year which is unprecedented
- We would want to add into the interlocking if they are A and B and would need to declare as suck
- Pool funds and have a travel funds and the team isn't paying for it
- And maybe they would come back to the associations
- If parents fill out a record check it allows them to drive a certain amount of kids
- Sunday would game ending a 6pm ferry – no 9am games on either side
- Games on Saturdays and Sunday's
- Transportation would be at the discretion of the teams – would ask that mainland teams pick up and bring to our rinks as well
- Needs to be a fluid document
- All teams must provide confirmation One-week prior game of teams securing ferries, referees and floor times and cancels after the confirmation the team cancelling is required to cover any non refundable costs to the opposing team's association. Commissioner and opposing teams must be notified in writing of both confirmation and cancellation

Vote based on our suggested changes: Motions to accept the interlocking female agreement with the proposed changes for the 2024 season(items highlighted above). – Motioned Pam/Alex – [passed]

- Commissioner names – due by February 1
- Update club information the BCLA office-
- Combines teams for 2024
 - Start discussing now vs in March
- Female tiering-
 - Put tother a mock based on last year
 - Burnaby has put into host a full female all-star at the U11 level can only work if we tier U11 – 5 associations had two teams
 - Can look at merging if we do not have enough to merge and get a true A and B divisions
 - Have a female rep meeting – Will get Grant to work with the reps
 - Tiering
- Projected team numbers
 - Spreadsheet of player numbers – within two three weeks
 - Send out and can be updated

Motion to adjourn 8:53 Allen and Michael O

NEXT MEETING – February 13 7pm Langley Event Centre meeting room B