

Lower Mainland Meeting
January 21 2025
Port Coquitlam Rec Centre 7pm

Call to order 7:08pm

Attendance:

Sandra Margetson (Chair)	- present	Delta- Nick/Garrett	- present
Josh Wahl (vice-chair)	- present	Langley-Alex	- present
Pam Mason (secretary)	- present	Mission-Ryan S	- present
Nicole Kelly (Treasurer)	- present	New Westminster -Maya	- Present
Grant Morrison (female)	- present	North Shore - Kim/Rayn	-present
Mike O'Connor (zone 4)	- present	Port Coquitlam-Stacy	- present
Michael Hagel (zone 5)	- present	Port Moody - Jessica	- present
Sean Reid (Zone 3)	- present	Richmond – Dean	- present
Angie Ried (officials)	- present	Ridge –Robb/Will	- present
Coaches	- absent	Semiahmoo - Mark/Mike	- present
Abbotsford-Victoria	- present	Surrey- Kevin	- Present
Burnaby -Susan	- present	Sunshine Coast- Scott	- present
Coquitlam – Ryan/Stuart	- Present	Vancouver -Michael	- present
Chilliwack -Zack	- present		

Approval of minutes September 2024 – Stacey/Ryan (coquitlam)

Treasurer's Report:

Don't have access to everything yet and have paid an outstanding invoice

Bank Balance:

Zone Reports:

- Minor directorate – can't represent the zones if we don't get responses

Female Report:

- Getting going

Coaches Report:

- No report

Officials Report:

- Clinic schedule prepared
- Starting in February Third week in February to last week in March
- Pre clinic prior to the session
- Clinic in morning and on floor in the afternoon
- March 28th u11 development for officials to training
- Facilitator session last Sunday
- Female Box rules will be the same
- Allocator meeting tomorrow night
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New Business:

- Commissioners Due –Due February 1st
- Contact Information to Pam -
- Complete spreadsheet with Teams by February 11th – will send out tomorrow
- Jersey proposed changes – both approved
 - Abbotsford – approved to go more black
 - Port Coquitlam – to go more white
- Tiering Discussion
 - Garrett – need to make a change as it has not been working
 - System in place from other province that we can model from it send out a document with all of the challenges
 - How are we going to fix this – why don't we look at a trail of a ranking system
 - Reach out to Jill and Gerry and met with them last Friday
 - Do we want to do it for all of the divisions, do we want to do it at just U11 boys and girls
 - Cant find a way to marry the two systems
 - Female sides – never got a response from John for the females and we can do a similar, with interlocking they would be able to do their own thing would be incidental
 - Everyone would self declare for tournaments
 - We can change the way that they declare can be adjusted for the Immlc
 - Six tiering games for the group
- Discussion – Female – aware being talked about that we are exploring it and concerns
 - Female would be the perfect solution of the divisions to try it
 - Self scheduling – who takes ownership of self scheduling
 - Would then fall back on the president
 - More onus on the commissioner
 - This is what worked
 - If a team is extremely good no one would want to play them
 - And travel to outer level
 - Would me make a quota
 - Teams may not be able to get enough games

- Other age groups you could say if you don't want to play the top teams they could may not get enough games for the top teams
- Not forced to play any specific number of games or specific teams
- Would have more regionality
- Some associations allow other clubs to play on their floors
 - And could still get others played
- Why wouldn't they play teams just below them
- Presidents would need to be more involved
- Semi – how long has Ontario been doing it
 - What is the feedback on it – good and bad
- Looking at the bigger picture
 - Ontario is a different format than we have year
 - Top 8 are provincials – would always be where we could hold the majority of the teams and would be an A provincial not an A,B and C
- Separate proposal a flight of 8 teams and get the final ranking would be 1-8 could go down further
- How would teams remote be able to get teams played – interplay is extremely important
- Maybe don't expand it and slowly transition out of it with adding U13 in two years
- Female side it would work well
 - Would be more competitive and who would be going to provincials and who is not
 - Would work where teams would be able to play the variety of teams at different levels
 - Scheduled against A teams and then who was in the provincial finals were the bubble teams.
 - Do see waiting on the female side, the Island had A teams from Nanaimo
- Maya – different options
 - Is it 6 games, 10 games what are we doing
 - Would be able to play additional games
- Floor allocator issue – dominating the floor space and have one floor and her concern would be the second team out could find a lot of games and tougher to get the commitment to travel to the associations and if we gave time back would possibly not get the floor times back
- Concern is with the C teams and how would they get games especially at the farther out regions
 - May and June could start scheduling them – as the year goes on teams will drop out and will say may not be able to play again
 - Concerns of teams pulling out and then other teams having no games to play and no one wants to play you again.
- Kick off session with all of the U11 managers and explain the system and would need some help

- Coquitlam – C level and B level all valid points – 2 hours before and said not going would then need to fine the teams
- Teams get tired of playing the same teams
- One team manages to get 10 teams and other needs to get 17 does it adjust the ranking
 - It would get better ranking results
 - And if those stronger teams would only get in 10 games
 - How would that work with retention
- What's app group for not able to make a game for the
- Policy for cancelling a game
 - The expectation would still be the same to pay floor time and refs
- For declarations if you have more than one team in a division you would need to be balanced
- Commissioners would need to set a specific times to make this work.
- Would need to ensure that your tournament coordinator so that they can get into games
- Running the camps on Tuesday or Wednesday –
- How much would mylax be or should we do self administrate

Motion: Motion to do the U11 and Females ranking trial system for the 2025 playing season with additional parameters to be finalized and circulated prior to the February meeting to be ratified then – Garret and Nicole – carried

Motions: To fund the my lax ranking system for the 2025 season up to \$1500 and have a mirror self admin system to compare. Michael O and Kevin. Carried

Motion to adjourn @

NEXT MEETING –

February 12th @7pm Virtually