Vancouver Island Minor Lacrosse Commission Annual General Meeting November 27, 2023 7:00 pm via Microsoft Teams

ATTENDEES

Voting Executive

Chair Tim Frost
Vice-Chair Doug Kampen
Secretary Krista Gregory
Treasurer Michelle Vecqueray
Zone 6 Representative Brande Terris (absent)
Web Master/Scheduler Liaison
Female Coordinator Lisa Seel-Thompson

VIMLC Executive

BCLOA Rep Tyler Boyer
Indigenous Development Bryan Baxter
BCLCA Rep Kelly Fines

Association Representatives

Alberni Valley
Campbell River
Comox
Cowichan Valley
Juan de Fuca
Stephanie Prizeman
Sarah Thomas
Chad Robinson
Koltin King
Jessica Lejeune

Nanaimo Bryan Norby, Jesse Kemp

Oceanside Cam Miller Peninsula Rod Senior

Saanich Scott Barillaro, Katherine Dyrland

Victoria-Esquimalt Kate Blass, Amanda Welch

Other attendees: Wendy Hall, Shane Mellish

1. Call Meeting to Order 7:04 pm

Territorial Land Acknowledgement

2. <u>Adoption of Previous Minutes</u> Motion made by Amanda Welch, seconded by Lisa Seel-Thompson, Carried

3. Additions and Adoption of Agenda

Motion to adopt agenda made by Cam Miller, seconded by Bryan Norby, Carried

4. Business arising from the Minutes none

5. <u>Financial Report:</u> Motion: To accept financial report as presented by Michelle Vecqueray made by Kelly Fines, seconded by Krista Gregory, Carried

Attached please find the bank reconciliations for October & November and the year-end report for the expenditures for the year.

I believe that all expenses relating to the 2023 season have been received and paid. Therefore, I consider the attached report the final for the 2023 season. A quick summation of the report.

The cash balance at the start of the year was \$17,865.26

Cash balance currently is \$16,484.57 with \$525.00 in outstanding cheques.

The year-end result is a net operating fund decrease of \$1,905.69

You will notice from the budget to actual report attached there were 3 areas that our actual expenses were substantially lower than budget: referee playoff fees, travel fees and on-floor referee clinics. As a result of these and the other listed differences we have still finished the year in a better cash position than originally budgeted.

Please let me know if there are any questions with the specifics of the expenditures on this year-end report.

Vancouver Island Lacrosse Commission Reconciliation Summary Period Ending: 2023-10-31

Beginning Balance Cleared Transactions		20,842.22
Cheques and Payments Deposits and Credits	(1,231.03)	
Total Cleared Transactions Cleared Balance	(1,231.03)	19,611.19
Uncleared Transactions		
Cheques and Payments Deposits and Credits	(2,620.98)	
Total Uncleared Transactions	(2,620.98)	
Register Balance as of		16,990.21
Ending Balance		16,990.21

Vancouver Island Lacrosse Commission Reconciliation Summary

Period Ending: 2023-11-26

Beginning Balance Cleared Transactions		19,611.19
Cheques and Payments Deposits and Credits	(3,126.62)	
Total Cleared Transactions Cleared Balance	(3,126.62	16,484.57
Uncleared Transactions		
Cheques and Payments	(525.00)	
Deposits and Credits	_	
Total Uncleared Transactions	(525.00)	_
Register Balance as of		15,959.57
Ending Balance		15,959.57

VANCOUVER ISLAND MINOR LACROSSE COMMISSION

Working Budget & Actuals for 2023 COMPLETED FOR THE 2023 YEAR

ASSOCIATION	2022 #'S	\$15	Fees 5/player	Notes	Actual Rec'd 2023	Variance
ALBERNI VALLEY	75	Ś	1.125.00	Full Fees paid	\$1,125.00	0.00
CAMPBELL RIVER	66	\$		Full Fees paid	\$990.00	0.00
COMOX	45	Ś		Full Fees paid	\$675.00	0.00
COWICHAN VALLEY	99	\$		Full Fees paid	\$1,485.00	0.00
JUAN DE FUCA	326	\$	4,910.00		\$4,910.00	0.00
NANAIMO	322	Ś		Full Fees paid	\$4,830.00	0.00
OCEANSIDE	41	\$	615.00		\$615.00	0.00
PENINSULA	141	Ś		Full Fees paid	\$2,115.00	0.00
SAANICH	202	Ś	3,030.00	Full Fees paid	\$3,030.00	0.00
VICTORIA-ESQUIMALT	62	\$	930.00	Full Fees paid	\$930.00	0.00
TOTAL INVOICED/INCOMING FUNDS	1379	5	20,705.00		\$20,705.00	0.00
CARRY OVER FROM 2022 SEASON		\$	17,865.26		\$17,865.26	
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TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR SEASON	 	\$	38,570.26		\$38,570.26	0.00
EXPENSES	Actual 2022	Proje	ected 2023		Actual 2023	
SCHEDULE	\$ 2,000.00	Ś	2,000.00	Extra cost re: re-tiering division	\$2,500.00	500.00
REFEREE PLAYOFF	\$ 3,510.00	Ś	6,500.00	Extra coscre: re-tiering division	\$4,565.00	(1,935.00
REFEREE TRAVEL	\$ 1,235.00	Ś	6,000.00		\$1,629.77	(4,370.23
FLOOR PLAYOFF	\$ 926.10	Ś	2,500.00		\$2,474.94	(25.06
BANNERS	\$ 2,038.40	\$	2,500.00	Landmark Signs - Small increase	\$2,665.60	165.60
COMMISSIONERS	\$ 2,300.00	Ś	2,300.00	Extra: U13 x 2 plus Webmaster	\$3,100.00	800.00
ARBITER	\$ 1,280.58	Ś	2,300.00	BCLA paying this year	\$0.00	0.00
ELECTRONIC GAME SHEETS (RAMP)	y 1,200.30	Ś	400.00	New Expense for 2023	\$420.00	20.00
WEBSITE (RAMP)	\$ 472.50	Ś	472.50	Annual Licensing fee - invoice rec'd	\$472.50	0.00
WEBSITE DOMAIN RENEWAL (RAMP)	3 472.50	Ś	131.25	5 Year renewal (\$25/yr)	\$131.25	0.00
ZOOM	\$ 224.00	Ś	224.00	J real renewal (323/41)	\$224.00	0.00
BCLA AGM FEES	224.00	Ś	1,000.00	Estimate of 4 Delegates	\$750.00	(250.00
BCLA AGM TRAVEL/ETC.		Ś	2,000.00	2 Delegates (est. based on prior years)	\$3,360.95	1,360.95
BCLA AGM costs: Zone 6 Rep		\$	1,000.00	a beliegates (este observer prior years)	\$5,500.55	(1,000.00
BCLA AGM costs: Head Ref		\$	1,000.00			(1,000.00
On Floor Referee Clinics		\$	1,133.00	Only Comox Submitted	\$159.86	(973.14
MISC for 2023		\$	100.00	Cheqs ordered & Stamps	\$156.82	56.82
MISC (ADDED AFTER BUDGET APPRV)	\$ 680.93	-	200.00	and an action at a compa	7250.02	30.02
Total Expenses	\$ 14,667.51	\$	29,260.75		\$22,610.69	(6,650.06
PROJECTED FUNDS	AT YEAR-END	\$	9,309.51	Curent Fund Balance	\$15,959.57	
				Actual Cleared Balance	16,484.57	
				Outstanding Cheques	(525.00)	
				Outstanding Deposits	-	

\$15,959.57 Reconciled Register Balance

2023 Operating fund loss

(1,905.69)

6. Zone 6 Reports:

A. Chair Tim Frost:

We are welcoming a number of new faces to many associations I look forward to meeting you all and working with you going forward.

It has a busy month for me. Brande and I attended the November MD meeting where we focused on updating all of our documents to align with policy changes passed at the BCLA AGM.

This weekend I am again in Vancouver attending a BCLA planning session where I have been asked to provide input into BCLA's strategic plan for the next several years. Some exiting changes are ahead and I am encouraged by the renewed focus on volunteers and growing capability of our associations and commissions

B. Minor Directorate Rep Brande Terris: no report

C. BCLCA Rep: Kelly Fines:

not much to report. Myself, Tyler, Kate, and Phil had some preliminary discussions on what we can do about official abuse. Was some very good discussion. Now that all the new executives should be in place we will look into having more open discussions on this topic.

D. BCLOA Rep Tyler Boyer:

Not much to report at this time from the official's side.

The BCLOTG has had some changes to the executive group for this upcoming year. The Vice Chair Minor, Dallas, has indicated that guidance on support will be coming from them for us moving forward, as well as with retention of officials - which we feel is the major gap that we need to address.

I would ask all associations that know of Level 2 and up officials, or mature officials, who may have stepped away years ago be approached to return - which I will also be instructing the Head Referees to do as well. It will be a joint effort to boost our capable official numbers for the higher age and level games.

Look forward to working with you all this year.

E. Indigenous Development Coordinator Bryan Baxter: no report

F. Female Coordinator Lisa Seel-Thompson:

his will be my last report as Female Coordinator and I just wanted to thank everyone for all their hard work over the last couple years to grow the female game on the island. I will be still around continuing this good fight in my role as VP of Female lacrosse at VELA and of course doing whatever I can to support the transition of the new person into the Island's female coordinator role.

The anticipated number of female athletes continues to grow for the 2024 season which is incredibly exciting. John Hamilton BCLA Female Chair is hard at work with all the other stakeholders to ensure the VIMLC and LMMLC interlocking league happens again this coming season. Exploring several ways to enhance the interlocking league to eliminate/decrease some of the challenges we experienced last year specifically around scheduling, travel, cost, discipline, etc. The plans include one dedicated female scheduler who will be Nicole Kokoska, the LMMLC female coordinator and the Island Associations who have female teams having their floor times confirmed by early March and full days booked dedicated to female lacrosse games (this part being crucial). I believe it's on the Agenda tonight to talk more in depth about the interlocking league.

G. Web Master Stephanie Prizeman:

The 2023 season brought electronic game sheets and a very tight scheduling process. As

always, there were ups and downs, but in the end, games were scheduled despite ever decreasing floor time across the Island, and most teams were able to use the electronic game sheets in the end. Regarding floor time, as requested, I have done up a spreadsheet that indicates the number of teams and floor slots as well as some other information that might bring the big picture into focus for next season's planning. I have attached the sheet for your information. Thank you for the opportunity to serve the VIMLC community in this capacity for the last two years; if I am re-elected, I look forward to continuing on and improving the processes for our commission.

Motion to accept Reports as presented made by Kelly Fines, seconded by Michele Vecqueray, carried

7. Association Reports:

A. Alberni Valley:

We are welcoming a new treasurer this season, welcoming back some returning executive members, and looking for a new President. No one came forward at the AGM, so I will assist as I can until such time as a replacement is found as per our by-laws.

B. Campbell River:

We had our agm end of October- we have new volunteers in every executive positions. We are all learning our new roles and responsibilities as we go

We are working with our school district this year to get lacrosse into schools on a trial 4-6 week program in the new year. As well as our learn to play program which will start in mid January. We have applied for the stick loan program with bela And drop in programs end of February for registered players.

Our registration opens Dec 1st - we feel our numbers will be good for our younger groups and limited in our competitive divisions. We are hoping with the earlier registration option we can see numbers and work with our close by associations earlier in the season to help give any and all players wanting to play, the opportunity to play.

Our floor time in our arena has been pushed back again this year for a mid April start. With that being said our arena (the whole strathcona gardens) starts their big renovation project this year and we have not been given any definitive details on when or if it could affect our season. But we are hopeful the arena section isn't touched until late July 2024.

C. Comox Valley:

Our AGM was held November 8 where we welcomed two new members to the executive to replace long serving volunteers that decided to move on.

Our learn to play program partnership with school district 71 has started. We are scheduled for 12 school visits and will see over 1000 elementary school aged kids from mid November to mid January. Registration will open in January and drop in sessions

will start at that time.

As was the case last season, we will not have access to our arena until mid-April. This will likely be our situation going forward until another arena is built here.

We are excited to be hosting the U15 Provincials in 2024. We have a tournament committee in place and we are already getting a lot of support from businesses in the community.

D. Cowichan Valley:

We have been hosting some drop ins, however have had low participation levels due to kids playing other sports. We are gearing up to host a more robust intro to lacrosse drop in come the new year, to try to get some new kids out and for the returning players to dust off their sticks. We have had a shift in volunteers on the executive, with a few vacant positions that we are working on filling. Our board is meeting Wednesday to review feedback from families from last season, and to make a plan prior to registration opening up for next year.

I unfortunately have classes Monday evenings, this semester as well as next so it will likely be our VP Koltin who will be attending most of the island meetings until my semesters are completed.

Please don't hesitate to reach out and thanks for the patience in advance as we learn the ropes!

E. Juan de Fuca: no report

F. Nanaimo:

We had our agm November 3/23. We elected a new second vp Aaron Vanderhorst and appointed a new equipment manager Haniff Ibrahim.

We look to open registration in dec and have drop ins planned for the new year. We are proud to say that our female division is still growing and we are getting prepared to tackle the challenges that come with an interlocked league.

We have a strong group of officials in Nanaimo and will do everything we can to support them and help them succeed. We are looking forward to discussing possible solutions and initiatives to tackle the difficult mess that is official abuse.

G. Oceanside:

We'd like to welcome back Cam Miller to the board and welcome Rennee Allan to the president role. Together with some new and returning board members look forward to building a foundation for lax in Oceanside for the years ahead.

Oceanside had 2 teams this past season. U9 & U15. U9 feed back was that there was too

much travel for that age group. Perhaps teaming up with CR, Comox and Port Alberni we could setting up jamboree style games in 1 day as opposed to travelling over 2 days. The team was too big. Needed to declare a U7 and a U9. Will think of that going forward.

U15 team grew as the season progressed. We were grateful to have Campbell Rivers players join our team.

We are looking forward to seeing how many teams we can build for the upcoming season.

Lots of interests from parents to step up and assist how they can.

Drop ins are scheduled to start in January for U7-U13 age groups and U15-17 we are looking to sharing floor time with the jr team.

This season we will be back in the large arena and will be available April 25th-June 26th.

After another successful Shark attack tournament we will be hosting again this season.

H. Peninsula:

We held our AGM on November 5 th and we have a new President, Vice President of non-

competitive and secretary along with numerous director positions filled. The board has a lot of

new faces and people in roles for the first time so there is a learning curve but great to have

people stepping up for our association. Together we will have to fill the vacant positions of VP

of competitive, Registrar, director of female and the Floor allocator positions. We are to open

registration on December 1 st and only planning to host one tournament this year for the U7/U9

divisions in June.

I. Saanich:

We held our AGM on September 24, 2023. I took over from Andy Stuart as President. We also welcomed a new Treasurer, two new VPs (U15/17 and U11/U13), and several new Coordinators. This is balanced with a strong group of returning Board members. I am very excited about what this new group can do.

We have started planning for next season. Our assessment times are booked and we secured access to Pearkes Field House for our U7s and U9s to ensure they can have regular practice times and not be affected by early spring weather. I started engaging with Saanich Parks and Rec on floor time and the proposed Lambrick Park Redevelopment

Project. There may be an opportunity to upgrade the box there.

We are currently assessing website upgrade options and expect to move to a new platform by February. We will use our current site to manage registration to ensure we line up with BCLA for this season. It will make it simpler for everyone.

We started "Back to the Box" Sessions yesterday. We will run two more weeks of Sundays up to Christmas. We will continue these in January and focus on growing our U7 and U11 cohorts.

J. Victoria/Esquimalt:

Last week we headed back into schools with our introduction to lacrosse sessions. Our VP has already been into four of our catchment schools. We will be heavily involved in the community again this season. These efforts are working as we see our coed numbers increase.

We are ready to open registration December 1st and have scheduled coed and female Back to the Box/try it sessions for January-March.

VELA is excited to continue to work towards building female lacrosse on the south island.

Board full now

Motion to accept Reports as presented made by Tim Frost, seconded by Scott Barillaro, carried

8. Commissioner Reports:

No reports at this time

9.New Business:

A. Female Interlock League: there has been a lot of discussion at the Minor Directorate about this league, including some push back from the Lower Mainland regarding the frequency of travel the island. The LMMLC AGM is Nov 28 where they will discuss this further.

Island associations with Female teams will be asked to set aside floor time for these games so that a schedule can be made early.

B. Floor Time: A spread sheet fo the number of teams and available floor time last season for each association was presented. We may have to reduce the number of games to accommodate reduced floor time availability.

Scott Barillaro is chairing a committee to hire a new scheduler for 2024 and is hoping for representation from each association.

C. Fee Increase for 2024 season: Historically the VIMLC collects \$5 per player per year from all associations, then every 4 or 5 years this fee is increased to \$10 to cover budgetary deficit. This increase will be applied in 2024. Additionally, the BCLA and

CLA are planning to increase the fees they collect. BCLA has not yet set their fee. CLA fee will go from \$4 to \$10 in 2024 and then to \$15 in 2025. Associations are strongly encouraged increase their fees to cover these increased costs.

D. Proposed Policy Changes:

i. Motion made by Tyler Boyer, seconded by Kelly Fines

OPERATING POLICY SECTION: D - OFFICIALS REGULATION NUMBER: D-2

_	This is a new motion	OR	
<u>X</u>	The regulation currently reads as it app	ears on Page _5_	: (Please write out in full)

The home team's Head Referee shall appoint properly carded referees for regular league play. If only one referee is present, the game shall NOT be played. If a game is cancelled because of lack of referees home association team will forfeit the game. This forfeit will not impact eligibility for playdowns or provincials

The amended regulation reads as follows:

The home team's Head Referee Official or Official Assigner shall appoint properly carded referees for regular league play. If only one referee is present, the game shall NOT be played. If a game is cancelled because of lack of referees home association team will forfeit the game. This forfeit will not impact eligibility for playdowns or provincials

The rationale for the motion:

- 1) This is a policy that does not get implemented for the most part.
- 2) The BCLOTSG is wanting to move away from it being "Association's" officials and move towards it being the group of BCLA Officials.
- 3) With the current staffing issuing we are having with officials, BCLOTSG does not find it in suitable to punish the home team for the lack of officials.
- 4) The Assigner or Head Official should not be pressured by the team/club to have officials in a game at all costs.

Amended: Add "The game will be rescheduled if possible" Carried

ii. Motion made by Tyler Boyer, seconded by Tim Frost, Carried

X This is a new motion	OR
The regulation currently reads as it appear	ars on Page: (Please write out in full)
Change all references of referee(s) to officia not limited to, VIMLC Operating Policies &	al(s) in all VIMLC documents, including but by Bylaws.
The amended regulation reads as follows	:
The rationale for the motion:	
Consistency with BCLA	
iii. Motion made by Tim Frost, seconded by	Krista Gregory, Carried
This is a new motion	OR
x The regulation currently reads as it appears	on Page 2: (Please write out in full)
B-2 The home team must ensure that the appropriate to the Score keeper before the start of the gard	1
The amended regulation reads as follows: B-2 The home team must ensure that the appr the Score keeper before the start of the game score sheet including rosters are approved pr approved the electronic gamesheet or a paper	ior to the game and that the referee has
The rationale for the motion:	
Clarifying existing practice	
iv. Motion made by Tim Frost, seconded by	Lisa Seel-Thompson, Carried

		This	is	a	new	motion
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OR

x The regulation currently reads as it appears on Page 2: (Please write out in full)

B-7 Paper Score sheets are in three copies. The Golden Rod copy is for the losing team and the Pink copy is for the winning team.

The amended regulation reads as follows:

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The rationale for the motion:

Updating to clarify only paper gamesheets have multiple copies.

v. Motion made by Tim Frost, seconded by Kate Blass, Carried

x The regulation currently reads as it appears on Page 3: (Please write out in full)

B-8 In Partnership with the floor referees, the Score Keeper will assist in the completion of the Score Sheet as per the bench officials handbook. A sample video of the scoresheet completion can be found on the BCLA website.

The amended regulation reads as follows:

B-8 In Partnership with the floor referees, the Score Keeper will assist in the completion of the Score Sheet as per the bench officials handbook. A sample video of the scoresheet completion can be found on the BCLA website. Instructions have been provided to all associations head managers for electronic gamesheets.

The rationale for the motion:

Updating to clarify training provided on electronic gamesheets.

vi. Motion made by Tim Frost, seconded by Jesse Kemp, Carried

This is a new motion

OR

x The regulation currently reads as it appears on Page 3: (Please write out in full)

B-9 Division commissioners are to receive via email, a high resolution picture of game sheet verbal, email or faxed game results within hours within four hours verbal, email or faxed game results within hours of the game being played, by the home team.

The amended regulation reads as follows:

B-9 Division commissioners are to receive via email, a high resolution picture of game sheet, verbal, email or faxed texted game results or completed electronic gamesheets. within hours within four hours verbal, email or faxed texted game results within hours of the game being played, by the home team.

The rationale for the motion:

Fixing language - and clarifying existing process..

vii. Motion made by Tim Frost, seconded by Cam Miller, Carried

This is a new motion

OR

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D-2 The home team's Head Referee shall appoint properly carded referees for regular league play. If only one referee is present, the game shall NOT be played. If a game is cancelled because of lack of referees home association team will forfeit the game. This forfeit will not impact eligibility for playdowns or provincials

The amended regulation reads as follows:

D-2 Zone 6 Officials Representative with support from the home team's Head Referee shall appoint properly carded referees for regular league play. If only one referee is present, the game shall NOT be played. If a game is cancelled because of lack of referees home association team will forfeit the game. This forfeit will not impact eligibility for playdowns or provincials

The rationale for the motion:

Clarifying existing process..

viii. Motion made by Tim Frost, seconded by Scott Barillaro, Carried

x The regulation currently reads as it appears on Page 5: (Please write out in full)

F-7 Teams can be declared as an A1 or A2 but are subject to change by the division Commissioner. Associations will tier their competitive teams using the following criteria:

1 team	One A one B or one C
2 teams	One A&B
	One A&C
	One B&C
	One A1 one A2
3 teams	Two A & one B
	Two A & one C
	One A one B &one C
	One A & two C
4 teams	Two A & two B
	Two A one B & one C
	One Aone B and two C
	One A two B & one C
5 teams	Associations must declare two A teams
	balanced or unbalanced. If unbalanced they
	must at the time of declarations declare the
	higher caliber team as A1
	Two A two B and one C
	Two A three B
	Two A one B and two C
6 teams or more to be determined by the	
commission.	

Exceptions to the tiering must be ruled on by the commission prior to any teams being formed.

New Associations may be granted an exception to this policy for up to two (2) seasons to aid development.

C caliber teams must be in accordance with the current years BCLA Minor directorate Operating Policy

Associations must declare the caliber of their teams at the March declaration meeting. Associations NOT in attendance at this meeting are subject to a \$150.00 fine as this is a crucial meeting in getting our season underway.

All team movement must be completed by current BCLA dates of each playing year.

Team movement will be resolved by the commissioners of such leagues and a committee comprised of two members from the VIMLC elected executive. The commissioners may ask for informational opinions from coaches in the divisions with regards to the team in questions play.

Associations will be notified of any movement prior to a decision and will have an opportunity to justify their viability in their current declared division. All comments, rationale and concerns should be in writing (from the association president) to the committee as a whole. Notification shall be given via email as well as any other forms of communication. Teams wishing to justify their viability will have 48 hours to do so from the time that the email notification was sent.

The Minor Directorate has the authority to make final decisions for provincial play as per policy new 3.04

The amended regulation reads as follows: (existing F-7 will be entirely replaced)

F-7 Associations will tier their competitive teams (U13 and above) using the following criteria for declarations (and are subject to change by the division commissioner):

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# of teams
             Team Declarations
1 team
             1-A1 or 1-A2 or 1-B
2 teams
             1-A1 or 1-A2 and 1-B
             1-A1 or 1-A2 and 1-C
             1-A1 and 1-A2
3 teams
              1-A1 and 1-A2 and 1-B
              1-A1 and 1-A2 and 1-C
              1-A1 and 2-B
              1-A1 and 1-B and 1-C
              1-A1 and 1-A2 and 2-B
4 teams
             1-A1 and 1-A2 and 1-B and 1-C
             2-A1 and 1-A2 and 1-B
             2-A1 and 1-B and 1-C
             1-A1 and 2-A2 and 1-B
             1-A1 and 2-B and 1-C
             1-A1 and 1-A2 and 2-B and 1-C
5 teams
             1-A1 and 2-A2 and 2-B
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1-A1 and 1-A2 and 2-B 2-A1 and 1-A2 and 1-B and 1-C 2-A1 and 2-A2 and 1-B 2-A1 and 2-A2 and 1-C 1-A1 and 1-A2 and 2-B and 1-C 1-A1 and 2-B and 2-C

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The rationale for the motion:

In a desire to synchronize declaration rules with the LMMLC adopting the same policy they have.

ix. Motion made by Tim Frost, seconded by Stephanie Prizeman, Carried

x The regulation currently reads as it appears on Page 10: (Please write out in full)

- F-16 Call up sheets submitted with the game sheets to the commissioners must be signed in accordance with BCLA Operating Policy 4.07, by the coach or if unavailable, another team representative. Photocopied or scanned signatures will not be accepted **The amended regulation reads as follows:**
- F-16 Call up sheets submitted with the game sheets to the commissioners must be signed in accordance with BCLA Operating Policy 4.07, by the coach or if unavailable, another team representative. Photocopied or scanned signatures will not be accepted. Minor players who play up to Senior may only do so in accordance with MD rules and must submit a one game permit to both league commissioners. When electronic game sheets Callup sheets must be uploaded prior to the game as per MD Regulation 4.04

The rationale for the motion:

Clarifying existing process and updating per revised MD regulation 4.04

x. Motion made by Tim Frost, seconded by Tyler Boyer, Carried

OR

x The regulation currently reads as it appears on Page 10: (Please write out in full)

G-5 Saves made by the goaltender shall be recorded on the time sheet as a "shot on goal". Save shall be considered any shot that would have scored had the goalie not stopped the ball. Shots hitting the goal posts are not saves.

The amended regulation reads as follows:

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G-5 is deleted in it's entirety

The rationale for the motion:

Clarifying existing process and updating per revised MD regulation 4.04

xi. Motion made by Tim Frost, seconded by Scott Barillaro, Carried

- x The regulation currently reads as it appears on Page 10: (Please write out in full)
- G-7 Abuse, either verbal or physical, of referees will not be tolerated. A referee's report of any such action by a player or team official will result in severe disciplinary action. The individual reported on shall be immediately suspended in accordance with the Minor Directorate Rules.

The amended regulation reads as follows:

G-7 Abuse, either verbal or physical, of referees (or other officials) will not be tolerated. A referee's report of any such action by a player or team official or spectator will result in severe disciplinary action. The individual reported on shall be immediately suspended in accordance with the Minor Directorate Rules. Associations will be responsible for disciplinary action for all spectators and enforcing code of conduct. The VIMLC Elected Executive reserves the right to sanction clubs (including but not limited to imposing fines, suspensions of players, officials or banning of parents or spectators). All disciplinary actions by associations and the commission are subject to appeals and must follow BCLA policies and timelines for any appeals.

The rationale for the motion:

Abuse of officials, players and volunteers is detrimental to our game.

xii. Motion made by Tim Frost, seconded by Scott Barillaro, Carried

This is a new motion

OR

- x The regulation currently reads as it appears on Page 13: (Please write out in full)
- J-5 Any association who is absent from the planning session (usually held in February but not limited to) will be fined \$100.00
- J-6 Any association who is not present at the March declaration/ tiering meeting will be fined \$150.00

The amended regulation reads as follows:

- J-5 Any association who is absent from the planning session (usually held in February but not limited to) will be fined \$1000.00
- J-6 Any association who is not present at the March declaration/ tiering meeting will be fined \$1500.00

The rationale for the motion:

Increase fine to prevent associations from missing critical meetings

xiii. Motion made by Tim Frost, seconded by Lisa Seel-Thompson, Carried

This	is a	new	motion	O	R

x The regulation currently reads as it appears on Page 1: (Please write out in full)

1.3 Each member association should be represented on the executive or provide a commission volunteer that is willing to fill any vacant positions.

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Each Member Association shall designate at least one of their members as a "Commissioner Volunteer" by February 1_{st} of each year. The VIMLC Elected Executive may change the duties of these volunteers as necessary through the year.

Each Member Association which does not supply a "Commissioner Volunteer" by February 1_{st} of each fiscal year shall be fined \$500. If the Member Association does supply a "Commissioner Volunteer" by March 1_{st} the said Member Association will receive a refund of \$175. If a commissioner volunteer, refuses the position or has to be removed the home association would be fined \$250. VIMLC commissioners will be appointed by the VIMLC Elected Executive from names supplied by the Members Associations or from names submitted to the Executive prior to March 1_{st}.

The rationale for the motion:

Adopting bylaw from LMMLC to allow us to have appropriate association representation on our VIMLC commissioner and other roles as required,

xiv. Motion made by Tim Fros	ost, seconded by Michele Vecqueray, Ca	arried
This is a new motion	OR	

x The regulation currently reads as it appears on Page 3: (Please write out in full)

All Executives and Representatives shall attend meetings unless the Chairperson has been previously notified. Failure to do so will result in fines as per Operating Policy.

The amended regulation reads as follows:

All Executives and Representatives shall attend meetings unless the Chairperson has been previously notified at least 24 hours in advance. Failure to do so will result in fines as per Operating Policy.

The rationale for the motion:

We need attendance at our meetings to run this organization effectively.

xv. Motion made by Tim Frost, seconded by Bryan Norby, Carried

x The regulation currently reads as it appears on Page 3: (Please write out in full)

VIMLC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

- a. Shall be held at least once in every calendar year and not more than 15 months after the adjournment of the previous Annual General Meeting.
- b. The Annual General Meeting will be held by the 30th of November.
- Shall be called by the Chairperson, or by a majority vote of the members at a meeting.
- d. All members will be given at least fourteen (14) days notice.
- e. The Executive (Elected Executive and Appointed Executive as defined in 2.1) and the Representatives (as defined in 1.2) shall have voting rights at these meetings.

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- f. Anyone wishing to nominate someone for a position on the elected executive as set out under BYLAW 4 The Executive, must send nominee's name to the chair and secretary of the VIMLC seven(7) days prior to the scheduled Annual General Meeting, so it can be added to the distribution of the annual General Meeting to all members. No nominations from the floor will be allowed.

The rationale for the motion:

Clarifying advance notice requirements for nominations for elected roles. This allows membership to know in advance of candidates and conduct reasonable due diligence on the suitability of candidates prior to elections.

E. Election of Board Members:

- i. Chairperson: one nomination, Tim Frost, Elected by acclamation
- ii. Secretary: one nomination, Krista Gregory, Elected by acclamation
- iii. Webmaster/Scheduler Liaison: one nomination, Stephanie Prizeman, Elected by acclamation
- iv. Female Coordinator: one nomination, Shane Mellish, Elected by acclamation Motion to destroy ballots made by Tim Frost, seconded by Krista Gregory carried

- 10. Next Meeting: Monday, January 8 at 7 pm
- **11. Motion to Adjourn** at 8:04 pm made by Doug Kampen, seconded by Krista Gregory, carried