



PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE

Tuesday, Jan 11th, 2021

Meeting Minutes – Women's & Youth

Call to Order 7:04pm

Roll Call

Attendees (38):

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| Brad Romano – Chair | Delta – Michael Miele |
| Cal Davies – 1 st Vice Chair | Langley – Gerald Wartak (Women's), Alex Vanichuk (Youth) |
| Angie Wolfe – Secretary | Mission – Jason Hughlett (Women's), Jason Lindh (Youth) |
| Lynda Callard – Treasurer/Registrar | New West – Julie Edgar |
| Mary Clare – Head Commissioner/U18 Commissioner | North Shore – Shannon Webber |
| Susan dos Santos – Referee Allocator | Poco – Kristen Sheidow |
| Roger Paterson – U9 Commissioner | Richmond – Greg Paterson |
| Pam Mason – U11 Commissioner | Ridge Meadows – Dave Samson (Women's), Tyson Craiggs (Youth) |
| Jackie White – U12 Commissioner | Surrey – Ian Tyerman (Women's), Jeff Glass (Youth) |
| Mike Ortutay – U13 T2 Commissioner | Valley – David Goulet, |
| Adanacs – Dennis Santucci | Vancouver – Alex Miller |
| Burnaby – Nick Liu (Women's), Simon Gee (Youth) | |
| Chilliwack – Logan Engel | |

Absent (9):

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| Stacy Paterson – 2 nd Vice Chair/U15W Commissioner | Melody Kurt – U13 T1/T3 Commissioner |
| Angie Reid – Head Umpire | Laurie Wortley – U15 T1 Commissioner |
| Roger Terhune – Past Chair | Victoria Hatch – U15 T2 Commissioner |
| Ryan Nose – BC Official's Group | Kathy Martinez – U19W Commissioner |
| Ceayon Johnston – U7/U8 Commissioner | |

Land Acknowledgment

The Pacific Coast Field Lacrosse League acknowledges that the sacred lands on which we play are the traditional territories of the Coast Salish peoples. We are grateful to participate in the Creator's game and we thank these nations; Squamish, Tsleil-Waututh, Semiahmoo, Musqueam, Katzie, Kwantlen, Kwikwetlem, Qayqayt, Tsawwassen and Stó:lō

Acceptance of the Dec 14th meeting

Motion to accept: Michael Miele

Seconded: Dave Samson

Women's Club Reports:

Adanacs:

- U8 team has advised that this weekend will be their last and then they will be done. Too many cancelled games, games are too short, players have lost interest
- Have been contacted by two parents of new umpires that have not umped a game yet this season. Would like to know why? Dennis is going to contact Angie Reid directly

Burnaby:

- Nothing to report

Chilliwack:

- Nothing to report

Langley:

- Nothing to report

Mission:

- Nothing to report

New West:

- Nothing to report

Port Coquitlam:

- Nothing to report

Ridge Meadows:

- Nothing to report

Surrey:

- Nothing to report

Executive Reports

Chair

- Unfortunate start to the Winter Season with the cancellation of League games. This weekend looking up with a little warmer weather. Please let Angie know by Thursday (Friday at the latest) if your fields will still be closed this weekend.
- Public Health
 - No special updates regarding Omicron. The League will continue to receive its guidance from the BCLA. At this time, there are no special restrictions on outdoor sports. This can change at any time as we have seen in the past but likely won't be any changes until the next PHO update on January 18th
- Provincials
 - There is a BCLA meeting tonight regarding Provincials plus a Field Directorate meeting tomorrow night. The current restriction on sports tournaments is set to expire prior to provincials. If there are any important updates, the host clubs will be informed and then I will send out something to the rest of the League reps. Please also ensure you are subscribed to the BCLA Community of Practice. Messages from the BCLA are sent out via the COP - chances are you'll hear it there first if anything changes.
- Abuse of Officials
 - Please remind your Head Coaches that the Field Directorate is paying close attention to Abuse of Officials penalties. Coaches are encouraged to forego commenting on the Officials during the game.
- Final Standings
 - In December at the League meeting, we discussed how to address the imbalance in the number of games that teams have played.
 - The Executive was asked to go back and review any current relevant policy options such as the BCLA Goal Differential Formula.
 - The Executive did spend time reviewing the policy and is recommending to the clubs that the end of season standings fall under League Policy Section O.02.
 - The Executive was previously wanting to address the game imbalance. However, the O.02 policy covers that teams may not all play the same number of games. As such, year-end standings will be based on points, and any tie breakers will be governed by Section O.02 b). Since there is current policy, it does not appear that a change is needed.

1st Vice chair

- Nothing to report but looking forward to the first Operations Committee meeting on Thursday

2nd Vice chair

- Absent, attending the BCLA Provincials meeting

Secretary

- Nothing to report

Treasurer/Registrar

- \$33,000 in PCFLL bank account
- PCFLL invoices for players fees and team registration will be sent out this week

Head Commissioner

- Nothing new has happened since last meeting, no games

Head Umpire

- Absent

Referee Allocator

- PCFLL Officials Committee has met and has 4 pages of notes so far to present come March
- Sadly, have lost another 4 seniors refs. One quit, two are snowbirds and the other has new school/work schedule

Youth Club Reports:

Adanacs:

- Nothing to report

Burnaby:

- Nothing to report

Chilliwack:

- Nothing to report

Delta:

- Nothing to report

Langley:

- Putting together a plan B in the event that February Provincials get cancelled. Have booked field times for March just in case

Mission:

- Nothing to report

New Westminster:

- Nothing to report

North Shore:

- Nothing to report

Port Coquitlam:

- Nothing to report

Richmond:

- Nothing to report

Ridge Meadows:

- Double header proposal, please see new business

Surrey:

- Nothing to report

Valley:

- Nothing to report

Vancouver:

- Nothing to report
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New Business

- Ridge executive has put together a proposal to have the divisions with 3 teams (U13 T1, U13 T3 & U19) playing double headers each week to avoid byes
 - The executive has considered this idea when putting the winter schedule together but did not find it feasible based on lack of referees and field time
 - League has scheduled a round robin for the U13 T3 teams for week 4 of winter schedule
 - Did not want to post games and have teams get excited about them, only to have them cancelled due to ref limitations
 - It would require games to be shortened to fit into limited field times. Would teams be willing to drive to Valley for a one hour game?
 - We are driving away players from league play into private programs due to lack of referees
 - Susan is willing to pencil in potential games and try to fill the game with referees and then allow the game to be posted if it becomes feasible
 - Ridge is concerned that Poco was moved down to Tier2. They only lost to Ridge by a couple of goals and the three team divisions wouldn't be an issue if they weren't moved
- Mission asks for clarity on how the standings are posted. U11 team has played 9 games but the standings say that they only have played 6
 - There are completed games that schedule shows have no result entered yet
 - Mary suggests that the team manager contact U11 Commissioner to find out if there are game sheets missing and resolve the situation through the Commissioner
- Chilliwack would like to point out that there are several U18 Chilliwack players that have not completed 50% of the season games and will not get to play in Provincials
 - Believes it is unfair to penalize these players for not being able to attend games that were cancelled due to the floods, road conditions and weather.
 - Mary explains that the 50% is based on the number of games that were played, not the entire number of games that were scheduled. Cannot guarantee that the players would have attended the cancelled games and, therefore, should not be given credit for them.
 - Mary suggests that if the league policy wants to be overturned for this season, it would need to be voted on
 - Brad mentions that he is unsure if it is a league policy or BCLA. Asks Logan to email him directly with the information and he will address it tomorrow at the Field Directorate meeting.

Adjournment 7:51pm

Motioned by: Lynda Callard

Seconded by: David Goulet