



PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE

2021 AGM Meeting Minutes

April 17th, 2021

Attendees (28):

Roger Terhune – Chair
Stacy Paterson – 2nd Vice Chair
Lynda Callard – Treasurer/Registrar
Angie Wolfe – Secretary
Angie Reid – Head Umpire
Jody Weatherby – Head Referee
Trish Keizer – Past Chair
Jackie White – U12 Commissioner
Cal Davies – U15 Commissioner
Adanacs – Dennis Santucci (Women's)
Burnaby – Brad Romano (Women's), Simon Gee (Youth)

Chilliwack – Tyler Crompton (Youth)
Delta – Greg Leong (Youth)
Langley – Alex Vanichuk (Youth), Gerald Wartek (Women's)
New West – Bill Tyler (Youth), Julie Edgar (Women's)
North Shore – Shannon Webber (Youth)
Port Coquitlam – Margot Gallant (Youth)
Ridge Meadows – Tyson Craiggs (Youth), Dave Samson (Womens)
Dennis Windsor (Observer)
Surrey – Jeff Glass (Women's), Ian Tyerman (Youth), Sean Reid
Valley – Leslie Reed (Youth)
Vancouver – Melody Kurt (Youth)

Absentees:

Kelly Scott – 1st Vice Chair/U13 Commissioner
Ceayon Johnston – U7/U8 Commissioner
Roger Paterson – U9 Commissioner
Pam Mason – U11 Commissioner
Karen Hertslet – U15 Commissioner

Mary Clare – U18 Commissioner
Mission
Richmond

Call to Order: 10:03am

Acceptance of the minutes from the last AGM:

- Motion: Lynda Callard
- Second: Stacy Paterson

Business arising from the minutes:

- None

Acceptance of the agenda:

- Motion: Lynda Callard
- Second: Stacy Paterson

Reports

Chair:

- Past year has been very challenging year
- It was a logistic nightmare but the saving grace was all the associations willingness to adapt and modify to adhere to all the health orders.
- The associations and volunteers did an incredible job. Succeeded in managing to play more games that anyone in the country.
- Overall enrolment was down slightly but we did our best to keep the kids on the field.

1st Vice-Chair: Report attached

- Ridge concurs with the report and we will need to look at new strategies to adapt to private lacrosse clubs. Will need to make some decisions in the near future on how to deal with loss of players to private programs

- Surrey believes there is a lot of room to work together with the private clubs to improve lacrosse across the board without the adversarial aspects.
- We must adhere to the policies in place within the BCLA structure but there is room to work together for improvement.
- Table discussion to the end of meeting so Ridge can explain what they did this season in conjunction with private clubs that could potentially benefit all clubs if we follow that model.

2nd Vice-Chair:

- Strange and different year with many starts and stops.
- The games that were played this season were enjoyable ones.
- Would like to promote a tiered women's league for 2022.

Treasurer/Registrar: Report attached

- Only down about 130 from 2019 which is great for a Covid year
- PCFLL paid approximately \$2600.00 for legal fees for lawsuit against Tyler Pace.
- Brad Hara donated back \$1000.00 cash from those legal fees and intends to donate another \$1000 next season.

Secretary: Report attached

Head Referee: Report attached

Head Umpire: Report attached

Commissioners Reports

Head Commissioner:

- All commissioners did the best they could given the circumstances

Women's U8: Report attached

Women's U12: Report attached

Women's U15: Report attached

Women's U19: Report attached

Youth U7: Report attached

Youth U9: Report attached

Youth U11: No report submitted

Youth U13: See 1st Vice Chair report

Youth U15: Report attached

Youth U18: Report attached

Operating Policy Amendments:

- See attached youth proposals
- No proposals were submitted to Women's Operating Policy

Election of PCFLL Executive:

As per PCFLL Operating Policy I: The Chairperson, 2nd Vice-Chairperson and Treasurer shall be elected for two (2) year terms in odd number years. The Vice-Chairperson and Secretary shall be elected in two (2) year terms in even-numbered years. The positions to be elected for 2020 are:

- Chair
 - Roger Terhune does not stand again for the position of Chair
 - Review submitted nominations

- Nomination for Brad Romano from Burnaby
- Nominations from the floor
 - None
- Nomination accepted – Ballot Cast – Carried
- **Brad Romano is named Chair for a two-year term**
- 1st Vice Chair
 - Kelly Scott has stepped down from the position of 1st Vice Chair
 - Review submitted nominations
 - Nomination for Cal Davies from Surrey
 - Nominations from the floor
 - None
 - Nomination accepted – Ballot Cast – Carried
 - **Cal Davies named 1st Vice Chair for a one-year term**
- 2nd Vice Chair
 - Stacy Paterson lets her name stand for 2nd Vice Chair
 - Review submitted nominations
 - None
 - Nominations from the floor
 - Lynda Callard nominates Stacy Paterson
 - Brad Romano seconds nomination
 - Nomination accepted – Ballot Cast – Carried
 - **Stacy Paterson named 2nd Vice Chair for a one-year term**
- Treasurer
 - Lynda Callard stands again for the position of Treasurer
 - Review submitted nominations
 - None
 - Nominations from the floor
 - Angie Wolfe nominates Lynda
 - Stacy Paterson second nomination
 - Nomination accepted – Ballot Cast – Carried
 - **Lynda Callard named Treasurer for a two-year term**

New Business

- Congratulations to Liam Hoogstraten from Valley as the 2021 PCFLL Bursary Winner
- Discussion on Development
 - Tyson Craiggs speaks to the use of private leagues helping community clubs develop
 - Programs tailored to make sure all the players get to benefit from pro player knowledge all age divisions and both youth and women's.
 - Players paid for this program separately. Clubs should discuss how much these coaches are paid so we are all consistently paying the same amount.
 - All coaches that came to Ridge, with the exception of Tyler Pace, have gone through a BCLA coaching clinic.
 - Suggested a summit between the League and private club owners to figure out a way to work together so we are all growing together.

Adjournment: @ 11:37am

- Motion: Angie Reid
- Seconded by: Lynda Callard

PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE
1st VICE CHAIR REPORT 2021
Prepared by: Kelly Scott

Hey everyone, as I told Roger.

I will not be back, time commitments just don't work for me anymore with work and life.

It was great working with you all and I wish you all the best in the coming season, it will be great to see the league get back to normal next year and see kids actually playing lax.

Unfortunately, the PCFLL will continue to struggle in a competitive and developmental aspect for all levels of players. With the narrow mind thinking that comes from the field directorate in allowing leagues to adjust and run in the best interests of the kids, associations and the game, field at the BCLA level will continue to struggle and weaken as the private sector leagues continue to grow, adjust and offer players a better avenue for development.

All the best in 2022

Kelly Scott

PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE
Income Statement
For the Period April 21, 2020 to April 17, 2021

REVENUE

Player Registration Fees	64,185.00
Interest Income	7.44
Regional Teams (Uncashed Refund Chq)	50.00
Appeals	100.00
Donation	<u>1,000.00</u>

TOTAL INCOME \$ 65,342.44

EXPENSES

Bursary	2,000.00
Commissioner Fees	2,600.00
Supplies & Miscellaneous	2,961.16
Ref/Ump Mentoring	630.00
Player Fees to BCLA	50,568.00

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 58,759.16

NET INCOME \$ 6,583.28

*** **Supplies & Miscellaneous**
\$100.00- Appeals Reimbursement
\$2,733.41- Lawyer Costs for Tyler Pace Case
\$127.75- Sympathy Flowers for Trish Keizer

PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE
Balance Sheet as at April 17, 2021

ASSETS

TD Canada Trust Chequing Account	\$ 35,286.87	
Prepaid Expense	<u>-</u>	
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>\$ 35,286.87</u>

LIABILITIES

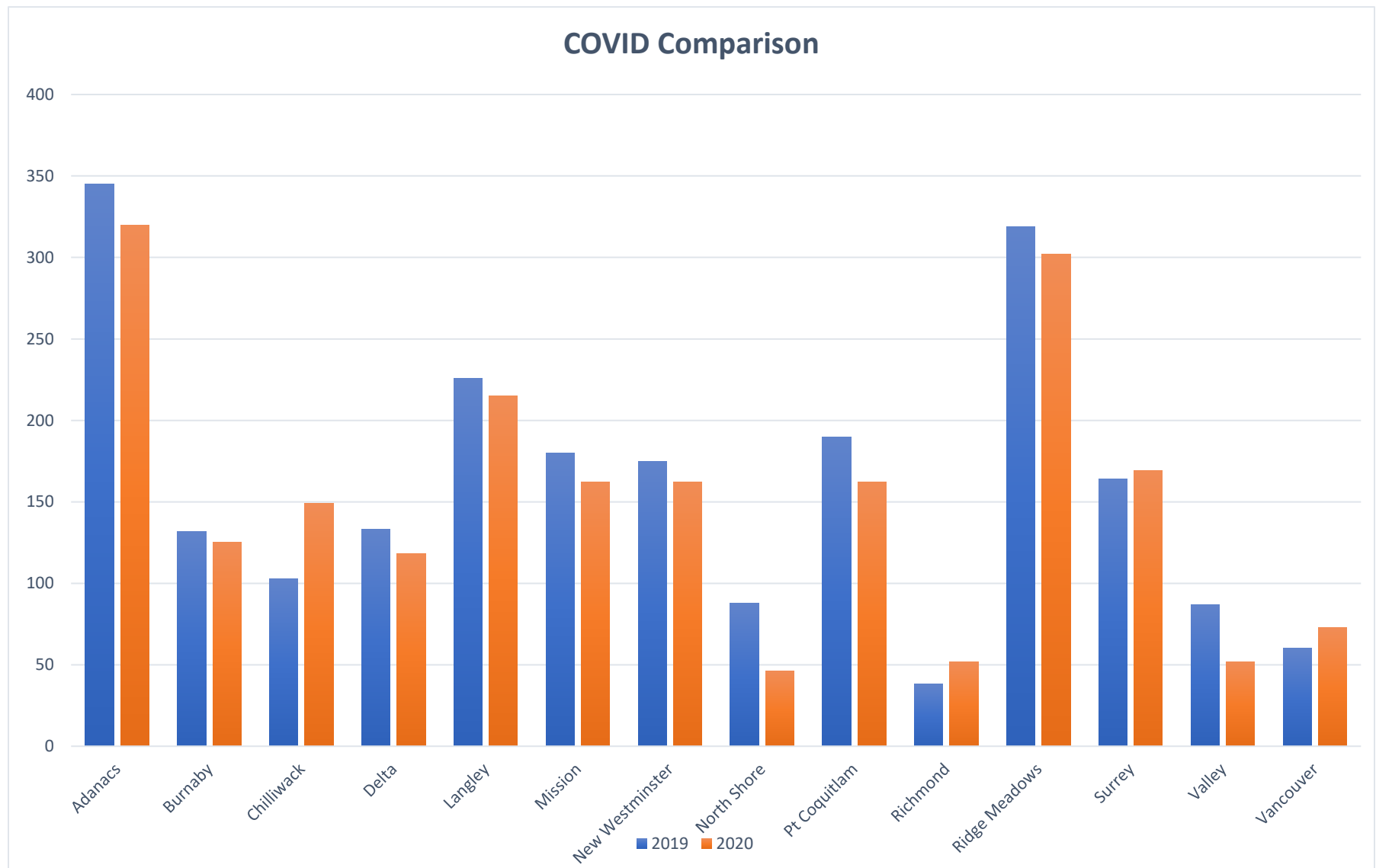
Commissioner Fees Payable	<u>1,400.00</u>	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		1,400.00

EQUITY

Retained Earnings		
Retained Earnings - Previous Year	\$ 27,303.59	
Net Income - Current Year	<u>6,583.28</u>	
TOTAL RETAINED EARNINGS		<u>\$ 33,886.87</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY		<u>\$ 35,286.87</u>

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

As you can see below the pandemic had very little affect on our registrations from the previous year. In 2019 we had a total of 2,240 children registered over the various associations and in 2020 we had 2,107. So really the pandemic only caused us to lose a minimal amount of 133 registrants.



PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE

SECRETARY'S REPORT 2021

Prepared by: Angie Wolfe

This is my third year as League Secretary and I must say that to say this year was the most challenging by far. As everyone knows, the public health orders saw us starting our season later than planned and riddled it with several stoppages. I fielded a mix of emails from members frustrated at the shut-downs and also from those questioning why we were trying to continue with a season under the circumstances. I sincerely appreciate everyone's patience and hard work in getting through this together.

This season, we began using the online release system. The feedback I have received from clubs has all been positive. I would suggest that we continue to use this system for future seasons if no one if opposed.

I am hopeful that 2022 will see our League return to normal play. Thank you everyone!

PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE
HEAD REFEREE REPORT 2021
Prepared by: Jody Weatherby

**Pacific Coast Field Lacrosse
RIC Report for 2020**

The 2020 season was unprecedented and shall go on record as the year of a worldwide pandemic, which brought the deadly disease and a world of uncertainty. We only managed to play six weeks on paper, but at the very last moment, week five was cancelled due to Covid 19 outbreaks. The last minute cancellation meant only five weeks of active play, but referees were assigned for six weeks.

The referees went through a significant change of learning by no longer being certified in a classroom setting. All the officials attended their levels on an online platform which was challenging for both instructors and students. As the season progressed in the short season, so did the Covid compliant rules. These new rules required lots of flexibility until we thought we got it right.

Some policies were totally out of our control as we had to adhere to Provincial Health Orders which meant officials could not enter other Health Authority Zones.

This order meant officials were stranded in their home zones and could not officiate at other associations.

Many officials decided to remove themselves from working games this year, mainly to protect elderly family members from contamination while others had to self isolate and enter into quarantine. These actions reduced the officials pool of referees which was challenging to fill games.

I want to thank all the referees for the patience, diligence and understanding, as the ever-fluctuating rules caused lots of frustration. Special shout out to Angie Wolfe for the thankless work she put into making a revolving schedule week in and week out.

Thanks,
Jody Weatherby
PCFLL RIC

PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE
HEAD UMPIRE REPORT 2021
Prepared by: Angie Reid

Head Umpire – Report 2020/2021 season

This year we were able to certify 52 umpires for the 2020/2021 season which was a great turnout. We had nine umpires aged 19+ which ensured we had enough adult umpires for U19 games and for mentoring the younger officials. This was in large part due to the fact many of our umpires did not go back to university and were able to umpire games. We hope to train more adult umpires next season because we know the more experienced umpires will be heading back to university.

The umpire certification clinics were held over Zoom which were a challenge but overall a success. It did mean there was a need for more mentorship on the field of play for the newer umpires which was a challenge.

Unfortunately due to restrictions and the lack of games, many of the umpires did not have a chance to officiate a game this season. There has been discussions on how we can keep the umpires we have motivated to come back next season and the CLA has mentioned creating instructional videos to assist with this. I am looking into working with more experienced officials in our associations to create our own training/instructional videos to keep them motivated and assist in their learning.

With all the restrictions imposed this season, I fear it is going to be a long road ahead in getting the same officials returning next season as well as recruiting new officials. Associations will need to start communicating with returning officials and potential new officials in early August 2021 to ensure we are ready for the season.

Overall, with all the challenges this season had, I look at this season as a success and look forward to get back to the new normal next season.

Angie Reid
Head Umpire – PCFLL
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PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE
U8 WOMENS **COMMISSIONER'S REPORT 2021**
Prepared by: Ceayon Johnston

2020/2021 PCFLL SEASON – U8 GIRLS COMMISSIONER'S FINAL REPORT

Composition of the Division

U8 Girls Division saw an increase in total player numbers from 20 players last season to 37 players this season. Players from Adanacs, Burnaby, Chilliwack, New Westminster and Ridge Meadows played in New Westminster and Maple Ridge.

Challenges

The season for U8 started later than usual with games beginning October 17, 2020. Games were played over 5 weekends with the last games played on November 14, 2020. Thereafter, games were suspended indefinitely to comply with the public health order of November 19, 2020.

Annual U8 Jamboree

The annual U8 Jamboree was cancelled due to the pandemic.

Discipline

There were no suspensions, banishments or expulsions over the course of the short season. There were also no issues arising from restrictions and rules implemented to control the spread of the virus. There was apparent compliance with the no spectators on the field rule.

Conclusion

I wish to extend my appreciation to the Team Managers, Coaches and parent volunteers for their energy and efforts to let young players learn and enjoy Field Lacrosse. All were very patient while the League and Directorate navigated the unknown territory of sport during a pandemic.

Ceayon Johnston
U8 Girls Commissioner PCFLL

PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE
U12 WOMENS **COMMISSIONER'S** REPORT 2021
Prepared by: Jackie White

2020/2021 PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE – U12 COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

The U12 Division of the PCFLL this season consisted of a total of 9 teams in 3 cohorts of 3. A total of 13 games were played before games were cancelled.

Unfortunately, most games were played prior to my becoming commissioner and as a result, I was unable to attend any games. There were no coach or player suspensions. From the game sheets, and feedback, the games appear to have gone smoothly, with most games having low penalties. All games sheets were eventually emailed but I did have to chase down a few at times. We did not require hard copies to be mailed.

Contract tracing was hit and miss, some teams were on top of it, others never ended up providing the requested information.

Given the cohort formula and the abrupt end to games, there were no final standings.

Jackie White, U12 Women's Commissioner

PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE
U15 WOMENS **COMMISSIONER'S REPORT 2021**
Prepared by: Karen Hertslet

Commissioner report – U15 Women's Field lacrosse

Covid-19 certainly made our Field Lacrosse a different experience this year. We decided to have 3 Cohorts of 4 teams each. Each team played 5 games before the season was shut down in mid November.

No suspensions were handed out and only 3 yellow cards occurred.

Provincials were cancelled for this season.

Hopefully we will be back to usual for the next season.

Thank you to the Executive for being a great group to work with.

Thank you to the manager's & coaches this season.

Karen Hertslet

U15 Female Field Commissioner

PCFLL

PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE
U19 WOMENS **COMMISSIONER'S** REPORT 2021
Prepared by: Stacy Paterson

2020-2021 PCFLL U19 Women's Commissioners Report

Thanks to everyone again for the help & guidance to make the season happen. COVID-19 brought unique & new challenges than just the normal U19W challenges this division faces every season.

Like all divisions, we had a very shortened season due to all the PHO restrictions.

There were no suspensions this season in this division.

I look forward to next season when we can get back to some semblance of normal.

Thank you!

Stacy Paterson
U19 Women's Commissioner

PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE U7 YOUTH COMMISSIONER'S REPORT 2021

Prepared by: Ceayon Johnston

2020/2021 PCFLL SEASON – U7 COMMISSIONER'S FINAL REPORT

Composition of the Division

Eleven U7 teams participated as follows:

Adanacs 1	Chilliwack	Mission 1	Ridge 2
Adanacs 2	Delta 1	Mission 2	Surrey
Burnaby	Delta 2	Ridge 1	

Challenges

The season for U7 started later than usual with games beginning October 11, 2020. Twenty-three games were played over 5 weekends. Games were suspended indefinitely to comply with the public health order of November 19, 2020. The last day of games was November 15, 2020.

Annual U7 Jamboree

The annual U7 Jamboree was cancelled due to the pandemic.

Discipline

There were no suspensions, banishments or expulsions over the course of the short season. There were also no issues arising from restrictions and rules implemented to control the spread of the virus. There was apparent compliance with the no spectators on the field rule.

Conclusion

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Ceayon Johnston
U7 Commissioner PCFLL

PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE U9 YOUTH **COMMISSIONER'S** REPORT 2021

Prepared by: Roger Paterson

PCFLL U9 Age Group 2020-21 Season Summary

During the 2020-21 Field Lacrosse season, we had 21 teams (19 last season) from 12 Associations; with six associations having two or more teams (five last season). The teams were spread across 6 somewhat geographically designated cohorts (3 @ 4 teams, 3 @ 3 teams):

- Coquitlam (3)
- New Westminster (1)
- Ridge Meadows (4)
- Burnaby (1)
- Delta (2)
- Langley (2)
- Port Coquitlam (2)
- Vancouver (0)
- Mission (2)
- Surrey (1)
- Chilliwack (1)
- Richmond (0)
- North Vancouver (1)
- Valley (1)

For the most part the majority of the teams were in the 8 to 13 players in size, there were very few teams with 16 or more players which required a variance to the maximum team size limit in place this year. Aside from the unusual season and associated organizational structure which resulted from the COVID-19 pandemic, the season began as per usual with coaches and referees getting used to the U9 incidental contact rules, no issues were really encountered after the first 2 -3 weeks of game play, although a general reminder was issued in the mid portion of the season. There were no notable player contact complaints filed against any of the teams or referees during the season.

With the smaller teams and the cohort structure it was found that it was difficult to gauge team strengths and the effectiveness of multi team balancing. For the most part the games were relatively competitive,

there were a couple of teams which struggled consistently during the season as is normal, but no issues were noted with regard to a drop in team enthusiasm. The number of blow out scores (which did not always reflect the competitiveness of the game) this season was not excessive. Had the season not been discontinued due to COVID-19 Health Orders, some re-structuring of the cohorts would have been undertaken during the Xmas break to try and tweak the competitive balance of some of the cohorts.

There were no suspendable infractions to players or coaches during the season this year

As to the week to week housekeeping issues with this Division the main one was game sheets, while game sheets were pretty much always provided in a timely matter there was one item in particular that appears to be difficult to solve: **Score Sheet Quality**. The quality of the score sheets was for the most part ok, but there were still issues around the filling out of the sheet, which is to be expected when you are dealing with parents and coaches that are generally new to field lacrosse. There should be more direction from the referees in assisting score keepers to fill out the game sheets properly (although I am pretty certain that many of the referees at this level didn't know how to fill it out either). Although a copy of a properly filled out game sheet was sent out to teams and Associations it was likely never regularly made available at the field. Many of the managers were also referred as well to the tutorial provided on the PCFLL website; this did help in some cases.

It appeared that about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the teams utilized goalies when a sufficient number of players were available to do so (i.e., goalies were optional this year) and the majority of teams opted to play on the full size U9 field when field space was available. One of the cohorts, made up of 3 associations, opted to play an "In-house" type format where all players from the cohort were invited to show up each week and teams were generated and supplemented based on the players who showed up. By all accounts this worked very well and ensured those players who wanted to play could maximize the number games they played this season; as a result no games were cancelled because of low player numbers. *Perhaps this combined "In-House" approach (and reduced player number format) might be utilized in the future from time in cases where we have a few Associations that lack sufficient U9 numbers to field a team and where the players are not amenable to release to a league team.*

All other issues were one off for this season and typically COVID related (i.e., contact tracing, unpredictable player absenteeism due to Health Order interpretations, travel between Health Region Zones etc.), hopefully next season will reflect a return to more "normal" game play

R. Paterson
U9 Commissioner

PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE
U15 YOUTH COMMISSIONER'S REPORT 2021
Prepared by: Cal Davies

U15 Commissioner Report

Disappointing that we were not able to play more Lacrosse this season but grateful that we were able to play at all. U15 teams were understanding of the situation but everyone was looking forward to an adjustment in the Cohorts or return to regular play which was unfortunately unable to happen.

Most teams were able to finish the season playing four games.

Cohort 1 was a competitive division lead by Ridge 1 with 4 wins.

Cohort 2 was another close division with Port Coquitlam leading at 3 wins

Cohort 3 and 4 were a little unbalanced. Ridge 2 and Burnaby lead Cohort 3 with 3 wins and a tie, Cohort 4 was lead by Valley with 3 wins.

Looking forward to a full season of Lacrosse in 2021

Cal Davies

PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE
U18 YOUTH **COMMISSIONER'S REPORT 2021**
Prepared by: Mary Clare

PCFLL U18 COMMISSIONERS REPORT 2020 – 2021 SEASON

We began the season with some modified rules from Viasport via the BCLA. Maximum roster size for U18 was 20 players, with a maximum of 20 players per game on the field plus 2 coaches, and only 1 parent per player allowed on the sidelines. There were no call-ups allowed this season.

Tracking was expedited efficiently by the teams involved. Game sheets were emailed or texted through as in previous years but the original copies along with the team lists were kept by team managers this year.

U18 (as all other divisions) were divided into cohorts for league play. This made the possibility of playdowns and provincials tentative at best unless the rules relaxed to allow cross cohort play. This did not happen. The BCLA cancelled provincials and the eventual increase in Co-Vid cases restricted play to within health boundaries (which necessitated adjusting the cohorts to stay in compliance) and most municipalities reduced spectators to zero.

We also had a number of teams that had exposure to Co-Vid during the course of the season which necessitated isolation for the team and cancelled games.

Referees were also caught up in the health boundary ruling and as a consequence we had a few games cancelled due to no refs available to officiate games.

With the continuing rise in cases through November games were cancelled by the BCLA and I fielded a lot of angry phone calls and emails from parents and managers in regard to cancelling games while soccer still continued to play. After the Christmas break we ended the season in a 'skills and drills' scenario. Most teams elected to stop play by Feb 15th (Family Day weekend and 'usual' Provincial weekend).

On a positive note, there were no suspensions at the U18 level this season.

Sincerely,

Mary Clare

U18 Commissioner



PROPOSED CHANGES TO OPERATING POLICY

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Proposed by Brad Romano – Burnaby Field Lacrosse Club

CURRENT REGULATION

E.01. Divisions

U18 Field Under 18 years

U15 Field Under 15 years

U13 Field Under 13 years

U11 Field Under 11 years

U9 Field Under 9 years

U7 Field Under 7 years (U7 players must be 5 years of age as of January 1 of the playing year)

U5 Field Under 5 years (strictly introductory and developmental; this will be a co-ed division.

Players from this age division are not permitted to play up to U7 youth or U8 women's). All ages are determined as of January 1st of the playing year.

PROPOSED AMENDED REGULATION

E.01. Divisions

Playing ages for the PCFLL are governed by the BCLA Field Lacrosse Operating Policy for all playing divisions

RATIONALE

To align with BCLA policy

Motion to discuss:

- Motioned: Angie Wolfe
- Seconded: Brad Romano

Discussion:

- None

VOTE: Amendment Passed



Proposed by Brad Romano – Burnaby Field Lacrosse Club

CURRENT REGULATION

E.03. Declaring Teams

- a) In all divisions U11 and up, teams in each association must be tiered
- b) U11 teams will be established Blue, Red and White tiers as per policy
- c) U13 and U15 teams will be established Tier 1, 2 and 3
- d) U18 teams will be established Tier 1 or 2 and a Tier 3 may be created after tiering
- e) Participation in each tier level will be based on an association's registration

1 team	Tier 1 or Tier 2
2 teams	1 – Tier 1 & 1 – Tier 2 1 – Tier 1 or 1 – Tier 2 and 1 – Tier 3
3 teams	1 – Tier 1 and 1 – Tier 2 and 1 – Tier 3 2 – Tier 2 and 1 – Tier 3
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5 teams	2 – Tier 1 and 1 – Tier 2 and 1 – Tier 3 4 – Tier 1 and 1 – Tier 2 2 – Tier 1 and 3 – Tier 2 3 – Tier 1 and 1 – Tier 2 and 1 – Tier 3 2 – Tier 1 and 2 – Tier 2 and 1 – Tier 3
6 teams	5 – Tier 1 and 1 – Tier 2 4 – Tier 1 and 2 – Tier 2 4 – Tier 1 and 1 – Tier 2 and 1 – Tier 3 3 – Tier 1 and 2 – Tier 2 and 1 – Tier 3

Any association declaring two (2) or more Tier 1 teams in U13, U15 and U18 must advise at the declaration meeting if all teams are balanced or unbalanced. U11 and below must be balanced.

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RATIONALE

This information is redundant to section E.02.

Motion to discuss:

- Motioned: Sean Reid
- Seconded: Tyson Craiggs

Discussion:

- Concern that this amendment will affect ability to declare teams
- Will not change any declarations, is just a repetition of E.02.

VOTE: Amendment Passed



Proposed by Brad Romano – Burnaby Field Lacrosse Club

NEW REGULATION

E.04. Tiering

While associations must declare teams as per Section E.03. Declaring Teams, an association may request, in writing, a change of their team's starting tier prior to the creation of the regular fall or winter season as per Section F.01. Playing Season. The PCFLL Executive will review any requests and place teams in the tier best suited for their team's level of play.

RATIONALE

Moves tiering info into Section E, reduces some of the redundant phrasing that exists in the current verbage.

Motion to discuss:

- Motioned: Bill Tyler
- Seconded: Brad Romano

Discussion:

- Concern that amendment states request must be in writing when historically, these discussions have been had in person at PCFLL meetings
- Although the discussions can be had, Brad suggests having the requests documented just clarifies things for everyone

VOTE: Amendment Passed



Proposed by Brad Romano – Burnaby Field Lacrosse Club

NEW REGULATION

E.05. Re-Tiering

a) Teams can be re-tiered at any time by the PCFLL Executive. Points do not transfer with the team. The team will be given the average of the tier they are entering at that time.

b) It may be agreed upon by majority vote of the member associations that a Tier 3 may be established where one did not exist at the beginning of the tiering period. **Teams that are moved into Tier 3 will not be eligible to declare for Provincial Championships.**

c) For U11 only, at any time during the tiering period, the regular fall, or the regular winter season, the Commissioner may recommend team movement between tiers. Such movement will be approved by a majority vote of the associations.

RATIONALE

Some of the language in the existing F.05. Re-Tiering was ambiguous as to responsibility; referred to the process prior to establishing a Tier 3 at all divisions; and did not establish how changes could be codified. The new E.05. clarifies where majority votes are required and that a Tier 3 may be established during the season if not done during tiering.

Motion to discuss:

- Motioned: Lynda Callard
- Seconded: Simon Gee

Discussion:

- Concern that this amendment affects where teams declare their teams based on skill.
- Team declarations are already bound by Regulation E.03. This only give the ability for the league to establish Tier 3 during tiering break.
- Why are these policies being moved from Section F to Section E?
- Was done to offer more clarity without having to re-number the whole document.
- Suggested that a friendly adjustment be made to the proposed amendment to clarify that Tier 3 is not eligible for provincials
- Reworded in E.05.b. as above in red
- Trish suggests it would be better to create a whole new tiering section that encompasses all these E changes.
- Cannot make that change without creating new proposed changes that would have had to be sent out to all with the agenda.

VOTE: Amendment Defeated



Proposed by Brad Romano – Burnaby Field Lacrosse Club

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RATIONALE

Removes the paragraph as it has been made redundant by new section E.04

Motion to discuss

Motioned: Angie Wolfe

Seconded: Simon Gee

Discussion:

- None

NO VOTE: AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN



Proposed by Brad Romano – Burnaby Field Lacrosse Club

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RATIONALE

Remove this regulation as it has been replaced by new regulation E.05

NO VOTE: AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN



Proposed by Angie Wolfe – PCFLL Secretary

CURRENT REGULATION

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RATIONALE

To create a non-refundable fee to cut down on frivolous appeals. Appeal fee should be used to compensate the 3 member Appeals Committee \$25 each for their time with the remaining \$25 retained by the PCFLL.

Motion to discuss:

- Motioned: Lynda Callard
- Seconded: Trish Keizer

Discuss:

- Concern that legitimate appeals are being penalized under this proposal
- Does the number of appeals really justify this proposal?
- Suggestion to increase the amount of the appeal but still make it refundable or give 30 to return the appeals fee

VOTE: AMENDMENT DEFEATED