

### PACIFIC COAST FIELD LACROSSE LEAGUE Tuesday, Dec 13th, 2022 Meeting Minutes - Women's & Youth

Chilliwack - Logan Engel

Langley – Gerald Wartak

Delta - Michael Miele

Mission – Jason Lindh

#### Call to Order 7:06pm

#### **Roll Call**

#### Attendees (25):

Brad Romano - Chair Cal Davies – 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair Stacy Paterson – 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair Angie Wolfe - Secretary

Susan dos Santos – Youth Officials Allocator Angie Reid - Women's Officials Allocator Ceayon Johnston – U7/U8 Commissioner Jackie White - U12 Commissioner

Mike Ortutay – U13 Commissioner

Ryan Nose – BCLA Vice Chair Field Officials

Adanacs - Bradley Foster Burnaby - Jackie White

New West – Don OCampo North Shore - Kim Kovacic Port Coquitlam - Erica McKeddie Richmond - Greg Paterson

Ridge Meadows – Robb Alexander, Jaime Yerbury

Surrey – Jeff Glass, Ian Tyerman

Valley – Karen Cameron Vancouver - Alex Miller

#### Absent (7):

Lynda Callard – Treasurer/Registrar Mary Clare - Head Commissioner Nicole Kokoska – Director at Large Roger Paterson - U9 Commissioner

Pam Mason - U11 Commissioner Victoria Hatch - U15W Commissioner Kathy Martinez – U19 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 Nov 8th meeting minutes

Motion to accept: Logan Engel Seconded: Bradley Foster

#### Women's Club Reports:

None submitted

#### **Chair Report:**

#### Field Directorate update:

Provincials Declarations are completed and structure for Youth is set.

Currently there are issues with:

- U11: not enough field time to host all the teams that have declared. Working to see if more supply is possible over the next few weeks.
  - Poco offers some field time if they can potentially host with another club?

- U12/U19 provincials and U8 jamboree will be in Ridge Feb 9-12
- U15s are not on the Provincials schedule, and we are looking for a weekend of field time on the last weekend of February. Kellie Ohlmann has sent out an email and any interested club can let her know.
  - Not enough field time for all 13 teams

#### PCFLL update:

- Weather
  - Weather has caused cancellation of December games causing our final weekend this weekend to be busier than we had hoped.
  - We do no aim to fully cancelled weekend of games but the timing left us no options, especially with the forecast as it was.
  - Just over half our games were played this Sunday leaving us with a sizeable deficit of TBR's to be played.
  - Snow in the forecast for this final weekend. Same process will apply; If it comes early and fields are closed on Friday, games will be cancelled on those fields. If the snow falls on the weekend, please update the spreadsheet that we have used the past couple of weeks as soon as you can confirm with your city. We will try to communicate out as often as we can.
  - o It is up to the home team to notify everyone if their field are closed over the weekend.
  - If Susan can manage to schedule refs for fields that open Saturday by dinner time, the game can go ahead
  - Poco mentions there was a lot of confusion regarding whether or not the cancelled games from Dec 3/4 need to be played or not. They do not.
  - If games are postponed Dec 10/11 they need to be TBRd. If they cannot be played prior to final Dec 18<sup>th</sup> weekend, "postponed" will become "cancelled".
  - The League is not going to fine teams for games that were not able to be played. We understand that unscheduled games are not ideal.
  - Standings are based on win percentage so that no team has an advantage or disadvantage numerically.
- Due to some unforeseen circumstances, the U9 Jamboree will not be held in December. We are still open
  to someone hosting an event for them if possible, however, weekends are limited due to provincials and
  playoffs.
- Policy Changes
  - o Time to start reviewing Policies for changes to be submitted for review by all the members.
  - Look at what is working and what is not for your club.
  - We will have the forms up in the new year for Policy submissions specifically so that the Executive can work with you on the wording and intent if need be.
  - Anyone is interested in working with Brad on continuing to improve the overall document and cleaning up different sections, please reach out to by email. Does not have to be the club reps that assist, if anyone from your club is interested.
- Would like to start working on applying for a gaming grant as a league to provide more opportunities within the league with those funds. If you have idea, please email Brad
- Playoff brackets will be posted on the league website soon after tonight's meeting. Please ensure your teams review them and understand what the formats are.
- U11 and below do not have playoffs and will continue with scheduled games as per the respective Commissioners.
- Player and Team Fee invoices will be sent out in the new year. BCLA numbers were received today.
- Brad, Angie, Cal, Stacy and Lynda want to wish everyone a safe holiday season and all the best for the new year.
- Special thanks to Susan Dos Santos and Angie Reid for all of their volunteer hours week in and week out in order to ensure Officials coverage and mentors.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair:

Nothing to report

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair:

Nothing to report

#### Secretary:

Nothing to report

#### **Treasurer:**

• Absent, no report submitted

#### **Head Commissioner:**

Absent, no report submitted

#### **Youth Officials Allocator:**

- With weather and cancellations, communication is key
- Have been receiving very positive feedback on mentoring and younger refs are learning fast with mentor help

#### **Head Female Officials:**

• Just a reminding when cancelling games, please text or email Angie Reid. Had umps show up Saturday for a game that had been cancelled Friday but Angie R. was not notified.

#### **BCLA Vice Chair of Field Officials:**

- Please make sure that your field is properly maintained.
- Lights are burnt out, nets are beyond disrepair. Officials can repair small holes in nets but are not prepared to restring the entire net. Please fix issues as soon as possible.

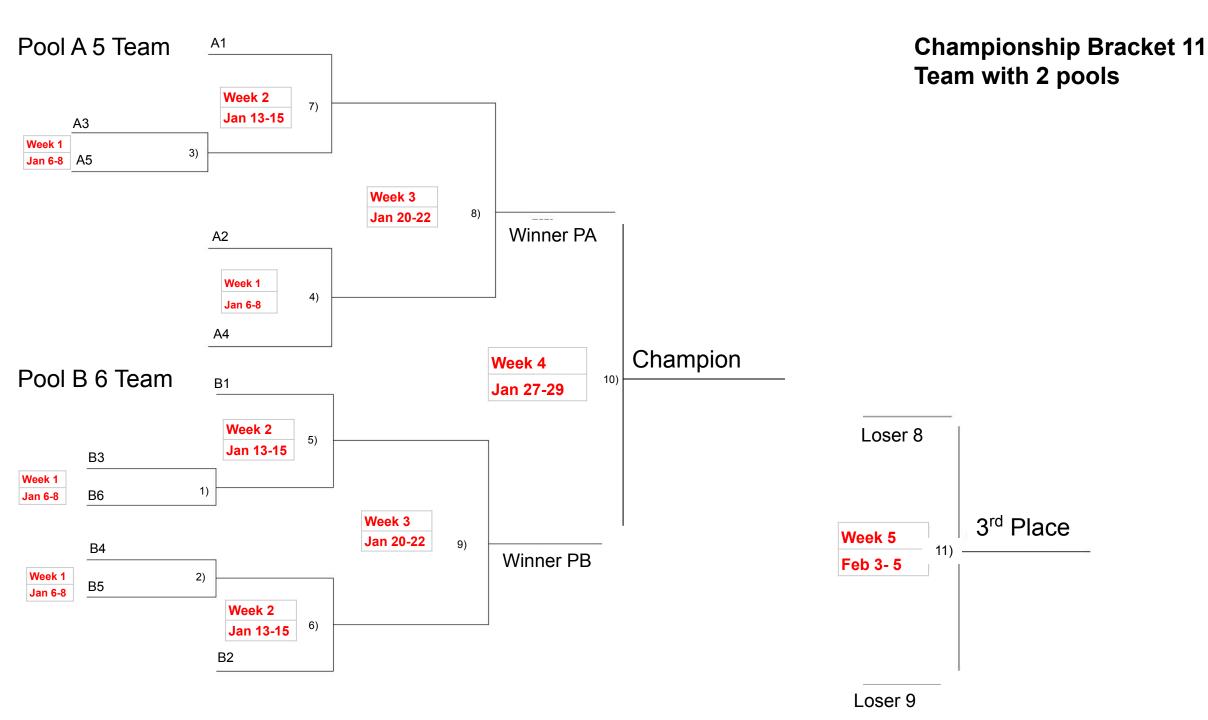
#### **Meeting Discussion:**

- U7/U9 jamborees
  - We have no real application process
  - o Could we create incentives for clubs to host? What is holding clubs back?
  - Adanacs have jamboree "blueprints" they are willing to share is anyone new would like the knowledge
  - Delta would like to know if U7 can be hosted on one field as that is all they have
    - Yes it can be. Format is flexible.
    - Could be round robin style, shorter games etc
    - Delta will look into possibly hosting in the future
  - Adanacs will be hosting U9 jamboree on Dec 18
- Both Valley and Chilliwack apologize for their nets. Both clubs have been vandalized recently with nets being cut
- Provincials Discussion
  - For many year, Provincials was hosted by the league using available fields
  - Moved to a club's as hosts but in recent years it's become a challenge and we find ourselves struggling to find hosts last minute
  - Field Director has decided that they will set specific dates for provincials to be held and applications will accepted
  - o If no hosts come forward, provincials will likely be cancelled
  - What do provincials mean to you? Good deal or not?
    - Delta says provincials is a big deal but with travel teams pulling players away, it's become more of a challenge. Would be nice to travel for provincials, not always in Lower Mainland

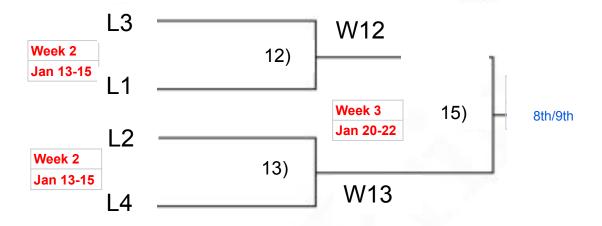
- Poco says for smaller clubs the top tier players are getting several tournaments with travel teams. It's hard to motivate players after Christmas becomes a challenge and big gaps of no games causes loss of interest
- o Brad asks for clubs to think about provincials and we can chat on it in the future
- Playoff Bracket Presentation (see attached presentation)
  - We have previously discussed the format at October meeting, this is the presentation of the actual brackets that will be used for playoffs
  - o Standings at the end of the fall season will dictate your placement in the playoff brackets
  - o We need to wrap of playoffs in a tight time frame as we need 2 weeks prior to provincials
  - Playoffs are only for U13-U18 youth and U12-U19 women's. Younger divisions will continue with regular schedule
  - PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR TEAMS ARE AWARE of the playoff brackets and how they will work. If anyone need clarification, please reach out to

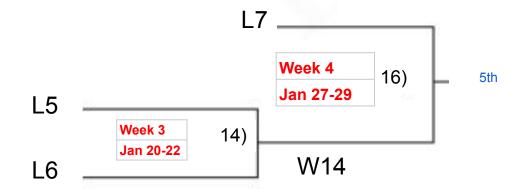
#### Adjournment 8:18 pm

Motioned by: Logan Engel Seconded by: Ian Tyerman



#### Consolation Bracket



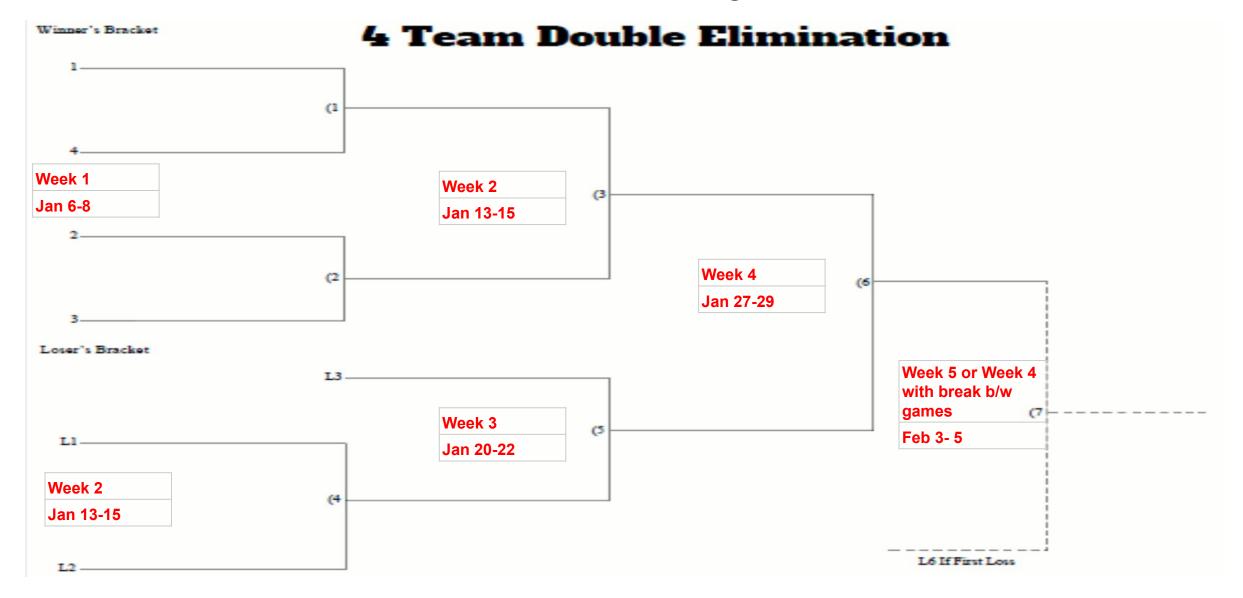




# Consolation Bracket remaining 9 teams (from 11 pool)



# 4 Team Pool - Double Elimination - 2 game minimum



## **5 Team Double Elimination**

