

Lower Mainland meeting - August 12 - Call to order 7:00pm

Attendance:

Beth McLucas (chair), Pete Frey (treasurer/zone 4) Pam Mason (secretary), Mary Clare (zone 5), Burnaby, Coquitlam, Chilliwack, Delta, Langley, Mission, North Shore, Port Coquitlam, Ridge Meadows, Richmond, Surrey, Abbotsford, New Westminster, Vancouver, Semiahmoo, Jody Weatherby (officials) Rob Arden (coaches), Shawn, Surrey, Shawn, Rob Arden (Coaches)

Absent: Chilliwack (excused), Shawn House (female)

Treasurer's Report:

Approval: Pete, Beth

Bank Balance: 18493.46

Port Moody outstanding fines - not in good standing

Zone Reports - Nothing to report - next meeting August 23 please let them know if there is anything that you want brought up

Coaches - AGM September 7th

Get changes to Rochelle, any changes will be on website

Officials - Not attending

New Business:

Girls discussion, is there any thought of doing a tiering, such as similar to field a tier 1 and tier 2 or like the boys "B" or "C" where there is two different tiers. Not fun for girls in a developmental association to play against a association set with teams that are set.

Sean has said that this can be discussed at the female meeting in January and decided if they want to do a tiered division for the females.

Seems to be an issue of girls when there is balancing and some parents are talking about quitting in Coquitlam. Ridge has the issue with both boys and girls. Girls teams could be split into a blue/green.

Over the past two years there has been more interest in tiering, which could be due to team BC for girls showing that it is more important. Looking at last year it

would be impossible to split at the midget level as they were all very close. In junior you could have done it with two divisions.

We could empower Shawn with the presidents to make the decision with the presidents and reps for the upcoming season. Send Shawn an email and see if the meeting can be earlier. Also at the female meeting most ideas have been done and not shot down and the female is growing

Other item was the Novice - tiering it for the rest of the province. Think that we should have it the same for us in Novice as the rest of the province. If a tiering of A1 and A2 gets voted down at province we should go back to advance. Last year it was voted out of order. As it didn't address every section that it would be changed was called out of order. Can send it to Angie to get her to tell you what it was missing at for it to be out of order. And then it would be discussed at MD meeting

Crosby is an all star tournament - and is sanctioned as A, B or C. Beth will bring it up at the next Minor directorate and if they are bringing the rules that way to the the directorate it can not be allowed.

Lacrosse balls: - Chris is no longer involved in lacrosse so won't be handling the ordering going forward. He will still look after the shipping through his company. Ridge has agreed to take on the ordering process of the lacrosse balls for next year

Changes to Operating policy:

Pete: change the rule: to add an additional rule to allow 1.5 hours between games. For tournaments it is an intense number of games which is why it is in those rules. If it got passed it would be under ineligible game. - Associations are not in agreement as it is necessary to call up at times for provincials qualifications, or to be able to put a team on the floor.

Pete: change for allowing the minor directorate to move teams around for provincials, will put a proposal to put it in its own section.

Beth: change 4.07A - if an A player is going to be playing on a higher division B or C team only 4 players per game (looking to make it easier for smaller associations who don't have an A1 team)

Change 12.05 - maximum of 4 A players after the rosters are set can not come to provincials with B or C team for provincial's team outside their registered players

*Call-up sheets have to be written on the game notes as well as the game sheets.
Will need to discuss at our meeting having sheets*

Delta, Tried to run skills camp for all divisions and were told that they could not be allowed to run it during the provincials although it was open to all age groups. It was a 4 day camp with half on the field and half in the box. It was all shot down and were told that it was not allowed to be put on. Will check into and a few things that as to why it was shot down.

Ridge would like to take a look at the offense defence rule. It is way to soft on how a coach is penalized when it is done. Bring up to Zone director. There is no suspension no fine, there is nothing to deter it. Who is going to monitor it. Some commissioners don't know what OD is. But now feel that the majority of them don't know what OD is. Coaches association was only called once this year about it. There has to be something that deters it so that it doesn't happen.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:34 pm

NEXT MEETING September 23th 7pm (attendance mandatory- BCLA changes discussed)