

Lower Mainland meeting – August 12 2018 – Call to order 7:01 pm

Attendance: -

Beth McLucas (chair)	- present
Pam Mason (secretary)	- present
Lynda Callard (Treasurer)	- absent
Gord Miller (zone 3)	- absent
Mike O'Connor (zone 4)	- absent
Mary Clare (zone 5)	- absent
Dianne Blair (Female)	- present
Jeff MacAulay (Coaches)	- present
Mike Van de leur (officials)	- present
Abbotsford	- absent
Burnaby	- present
Coquitlam	- Absent
Chilliwack	- present
Delta	- absent
Langley	- present
Mission	- present
New Westminster	- present
North Shore	- present
Port Coquitlam	- present
Port Moody	- present
Richmond	- present
Ridge Meadows	- present
Semiahmoo	- present
Surrey	- present
Sunshine Coast	- absent
Vancouver	- present

Approval of minutes: Tom and Mike

Treasurer's Report: no report

Bank Balance

Zone Reports

- Next meeting is August 18th to discuss changes for policy

Female Report - no report

Coaches – nothing reported

Officials – nothing reported

New Business:

- Items brought up was to move the junior to use the senior nets or moving female junior to Woman's lacrosse
- Should we allow junior girls to play for Junior A or B mixed. As we do not allow minor to cross over from leagues.
 - Girls are coming back being more aggressive
 - Girls are getting hurt and are unable to play on their own team
 - Should limit to 19 and over to be allowed to play with the "Junior boys" league
- Looking at changing the team sizes to match the rule book of 20 registered players per team. And then not allowing oversized teams.
- Was talk about putting forward no C provincials
 - Allow clubs to have a year-end C tournament
 - This would force teams to declare and play at B more often
 - It would also be eliminating year experience formula
 - This would allow all of the A's at one event and all of the B's
- Tykes – should we look at changing to 3 on 3 or keep it at 5 on 5
 - Touches are much more and participation
 - No pass rule but is promoted
 - Coaches are on the floor
 - Or switch it to 5 on 5 half way through the season
 - Everyone was playing different rules, need to be consistent and if the commissioner does know then can't enforce it and follow the rules
 - There have been different rules to tyke and if you don't have the pass rule you get one or two kids that don't pass and other players don't get developed
 - Development practices based on kids skill levels, and get coaches out to learn how to coach as well
 - Doing Tyke in house you could make your rules of the games and is more flexible and the players need to be on the game sheet.
 - There is ways to develop tyke and when you go to a tournament you have to follow the rules of the game
 - Transition isn't being developed currently when you are first starting out
- Question regarding A players playing up to B and being qualified
- Scheduler would like to see long break between league and playoff schedules
 - Everyone was supported of knocking a couple of games out of the season in that association
 - It would be mean shorter seasons and
 - Discussion around this. And how to plan for it
- Parent abuse of officials
 - Would it make a difference to have parents take respect in sport
 - Make sure that getting the name of the parent that is abusive of the referee
 - Get the coach to give the name of the person and don't stop the clock

- Had someone in the stand and if someone didn't respect the game they were given a lollypop
- This is to curb the behaviour
- It's not the referee bad call, it the swearing and the disrespect of the game
- Coquitlam had a discipline committee that deals with parents and has a hearing if there is an issue brought up by the commissioner
- Game should be stopped for parents that are out of hand
- Team movement after teiring where there is no interlocking play if a team gets moved up then the points get set back to zero after the tiering. And then one doesn't get placed in the correct spot.
 - There are plusses and minuses for both system
- Releases – were discussed and nothing was worked out
 - Using example – 9 players and by the time there was releases there were only three teams that had room and then none of the boys played
 - Should we be looking at something to do if an association has a team and a half to allow the team to be viable
 - At the end of the day we want everyone to play and need to work
 - There still needs to have integrity with the system
 - A possibility could be to discuss with neighbouring association to pool the teams and possibly bring a deal to the declaration meeting
 - Important to try and move them as groups
 - You need to know your numbers and what your potential team players
- If you do not have an a1 team and you want to do a zone team to go into a tournament you can . with application to the minor directorate you can attend a tournament as an A1 team . it is policy 4.8. and will be asking that the commission chair must be notified.
 - Under special circumstances can get A2 teams approved.

Motion to adjourn at 9:30pm

NEXT MEETING – September TBA at 7pm