

Lower Mainland meeting – February 27 2019 – Call to order 7:04 pm

Attendance: -

Beth McLucas (chair)	- present
Pam Mason (secretary)	- present
Lynda Callard ( Treasurer)	- present
Gord Miller (zone 3)	- present
Mike O'Connor (zone 4)	- absent
Mary Clare (zone 5)	- present
Jeff MacAulay (Coaches)	- absent
Doug Wright (officials)	- present
Abbotsford	- present
Burnaby	- present
Coquitlam	- present
Chilliwack	- present
Delta	- present
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:** Rita and Gord Miller

**Treasurer's Report:** Same as last month

**Updated budget has been requested due to the charge on the players fees**

**Bring Cheques for the player numbers and teams to the March meeting**

**Bank Balance:**

**Zone Reports:**

- Goalie exemptions the same as previously – have pictures of what does not fit not what fits, send to Gord McIntosh
- Clinics are getting set up now, can not do two levels in the same year

- There was discussion from the coached association that the clubs must discipline their coaches on abuse of officials or can be fined
- There are no official ceremonies at the provincials any more
- Island approved to have their teams play at place and push for the Novice
- Lower mainland was taken to a vote to have their teams play at place and push
- Tournament page will say if follows island rules or otherwise, same with tyke teams

### **Female Report**

- Discussion on combining teams – but has been put on hold
- If there are 7 to 8 players then should be willing to combine but one association will need to release
- Would need to combine with one associations for girls
- Could it be different for each age group for the associations
  - Le Langley/Surrey for Midget Langley/Abbotsford for Bantam
- Female needs to be a completely separate discussion
- Females voted to keep the ceremonies

### **Coaches –**

- Clinics out, don't wait they will fill up fast
- There is no level 2 yet in the lowermainland
- Coaches that did not attend clinic last year but were on form 100 will not be permitted on the bench until they complete a clinic this year, there is a huge list of coaches and it will be sent out to association
- Coaches that do not attend clinics that they sign up for will still be billed, but will still need to attend another one to be on the bench

### **Officials –**

- Doug representing for Mike
- Letter out on Monday to the head referee and some presidents
  - Took the place of a meeting before the clinics began
- Meeting planned for March 14<sup>th</sup>
  - preseason training
  - onfloor training
- Clinics will be over by then last one will be on March 10<sup>th</sup> finish early due to spring break
- Can discuss additional clinics if necessary – will be a catch all clinic in Mid-May for referees coming back from school

- Allocators are struggling to find referees from Midget and Bantam – to the extent that it is possible to see if you can work out so that your Midget referees are available on your allocated nights.
- Hosting all of the minor nationals – and hosting two provincials in the lowermainlands
- Never get enough applications for these events and the process is very simple for them to apply
- Another head referee meeting in the Middle of May to discuss issues and to bring forward the applications for provincials and nationals
- Will need someone that can help with on floor training but the head referee can be administrative
- Recruit from other sports such as basketball and hockey
- Abuse of officials – have no new initiatives, coaches have asked officials to be a little more transparent to the officials – clubs need to discipline their officials and coaches

### **New Business:**

- Registration numbers
  - Don't include your age down or prospective releases
  - Email release to Beth for the one or two players
  - Don't email the merging possibility's
  - Policy for playing down was read policy 4.06 part two
  - Play down players can also apply to attend provincials
- Female meeting
  - Met and minutes were sent out to all of the reps
- Tournaments
  - Can be viewed on March 7<sup>th</sup> and will go live March 14<sup>th</sup>
  - When you are applying for tournaments please make sure that the coordinators are not applying for all of the tournaments and then the managers also apply for the tournaments
  - Tournament coordinators that they do not have to take the first teams that apply, don't have to do first come first serve
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- Carry over suspensions – waiting for the updated list
- Female teams
- Team size – 20
- Clubs joining together
  - the policy is under structure as commission chair
  - Will loose players if the releases have to take place especially for midget age players
  - And especially at 20 being the number and could have a big impact on the other associations

- Should be something that we have – to allow players to join to make an additional team –
- Can take it to the minor directorate if we choose to allow teams to join together
- We can make agreements to release all of the players to one associations
- For boys it is to make an extra team- not make a stronger one team
- To build joint teams we will give arguments allow this to happen
  
- T-shirts for parents to stop ref abuse (Vancouver)
  - Committee of four people – have 20 t-shirts with a slogan on them
  - Suggestion is “it’s just a game” or “security”
  - Want to give two t-shirts to each team to patrol the games
  - Safety vest also work
  - Possibly have sign posted on the official box. –
  - Referee is someone’s son or daughter as well
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Motion to adjourn at 8:30 pm - Chris

NEXT MEETING – Tuesday March 12 2019 7pm Copeland Arena - Declarations