

Lower Mainland AGM –November 28, 2017 – Call to order 7:01 pm

Attendance: -

Beth McLucas (chair)	- present
Pam Mason (secretary)	- present
Lynda Callard (Treasurer)	- present
Gord Miller (zone 3)	- present
Mike O'Connor (zone 4)	- present
Mary Clare (zone 5)	- absent
Dianne Blair (Female)	- present
Jody Weatherby (officials)	- present
Jeff MacAulay (Coaches)	- 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	- present
Vancouver	- present

Adam Smith – Fundraising presentation

A Village Fundraising – hand out was given to all in attendance on their program and function

- Either association or team level
- Software that is free – one stop solution for fundraising
- Referral marketing or rebate marketing is the current function
- Can set up the rebate marketing in a couple minutes and can pick the stores that you want to use and anyone that uses your page will send the rebates to you
- Goal is to go into communities to get local businesses and get referral fees to earn money back to your team.
- People have to take a picture of their receipt currently to get the points

- In the future looking to get it to link to debit or credit cards and automatically get the money back to your group
- Association will earn money just by people going shopping
- Future also looking at doing clothing drives
- Cost is only on the back end and is a 6% fee if you remove your funds and that is an all in cost.
- Click through your page to the various sites
- You also have an on-line store that you can sell items from them. There is no additional cost ie: shirts, sponsorship, tickets, etc
- Starts to act as a fundraising management tool
- The average rebates is about 5% return
- Gift cards are currently plastic gift card and purchases each month
- Looking at getting on with egift cards but they are waiting for us to get some traction

Approval of minutes from 2016 AGM – Sean (surrey) Rita (Coquitlam)

Coaches – reminder of the no door people

- Reps for the provincials are needed – at least two per event and most are local this year
- Reminder suspensions carry from minor to senior

Officials – Jody stepped down as the lower mainland rep and Wilson is looking for a replacement to attend and represent the officials

Executive Reports – motion to accept as circulated – Jeff (Mission), Gord Miller (zone 3)

Treasurers Report

- motion to accept report as circulated – Jeff (mission) - carried
- motion to accept budget as circulated – Jeff (mission) - carried

Proposed Changes

1. Motioned by Jeff (mission) second by Sean (Surrey) –

Article II –LMMLC Regular Meetings

New:

- (vii) Any Association who allows an aged down or released player prior to being properly aged down or released to play in any games including exhibition games, shall be subject to a \$100 fine per player, per game.

Ammendment to motion – Jeff second Diane Blair- Carried

(vii) Any Association who allows an aged down player prior to being properly aged down to play in any games including exhibition games, shall be subject to a \$100 fine per player, per game.

If passed vii will now become viii

Rationale:

It's unfair to punish a coach for something he doesn't have control over. Associations are the ones who are responsible to give the team lists to coaches, and a coach wouldn't know who was aged down or released.

2. Motioned By Garrett (Coquitlam) second Jeff (Mission) - Carried

V-6 OFFICERS AND DUTIES

- (b) Female Director
 - (i) Responsible to the LMMLC Chair & BCLA Female Box chair.
 - (ii) To oversee all aspects of female box lacrosse in the LMMLC.
 - (iii) To act as commissioner when no commissioner is available.
 - (v) To be given a vote on the LMMLC.
 - (vi) To be given a one-year term.
- (vii) To be part of development/promotion

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Rationale: Housekeeping V2 says 2 year term.

3. Motioned By: Rita second Jeff - Carried

A-9 Points will be awarded for league games played as follows:

- 2 points – win
- 1 point – tie
- 0 points – loss

An additional one point will be awarded to each team that has 10 or less penalty minutes in a league game (win/tie/loss). These additional points do not count towards league standings. The LMMLC will present a Fair Play award to the team with the most bonus points in each league (Novice and up). In the event of a tie in points, the award will go to the team with the fewest total penalty minutes in league games.

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Rationale: we removed this last year.

4. Motioned by Rita (Coquitlam) second Brent (Port Moody) - Carried

Section D - Teams and Player Movement

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Motion to amend: Tom and second Jeff - Carried

All teams declared must have a minimum of 10 registered players and entered in the BCLA databank prior to declaration meeting for Novice and up including female.

Rationale: Teams and clubs can't rely on releases to make their teams viable, so having a min of 12 players registered without releases teams can survive.

5. Motioned By Jeff second Rita - Carried

D-4 In divisions Midget, Bantam, PeeWee and Novice, teams in each Association must be tiered. In Midget, Bantam, PeeWee and Novice teams will be established in A1, A2, B or C levels as per Policy D-4.

CHANGE:

D-4 (i) ***In divisions (Mixed) Midget, Bantam, PeeWee and Novice, teams in each Association must be tiered. In (Mixed) Bantam, PeeWee and Novice teams will be established in A1, A2, B or C levels as per Policy D-4, In (Mixed) Midget teams will be established in A1, A2, or B.***

Amendment: Tom second Jeff - Carried

D-4, In (Mixed) Midget teams will be established in A1, A2, or B and may have a C level after tiering

Rationale:

Over the past number of years we haven't had Midget C and clubs shouldn't be allowed to declare C at this level.

6. Motioned by – Kelly (Ridge) second Rich (New West) – out of order as per operating policy 5.05- going against BCLA

D- 4 CHANGE:

Exceptions to this must be ruled on by the Commission prior to any teams being formed. Tyke may be tiered. Mini-Tyke must not be tiered.

Teams and numbers of players in each division are declared as per above. Player numbers must not include any expected released players in total. A correct declaration is not to win the division but to play competitively and to have an enjoyable season. Declarations should be sent to Chair 5 days prior to declaration meeting so all declarations can be prepared and sent to all club reps prior to the declaration meeting in March. Failure to send declaration teams and number of players by the set date will result in clubs being fined \$100 every day they are late

Rationale:

This allows clubs to follow a format whereby Tyke teams are tiered into like-skilled teams, which benefits all skill levels. The advanced players get to play with advanced players, and the beginner or developing players get a chance to play the game without having to sit back and watch the advanced players carry the flow of the games. Our game has come a long way and the players are getting better at a younger age. Beginner lacrosse players are still joining the game at this age. Lots of hard work goes into recruiting these players, and it is discouraging for them to have to play with kids who have played for 3-4 seasons already, likewise, it is discouraging for players who have played for a number of years, but simply have yet to develop into the advanced levels of the game for the age group.

7. Motioned by Laura (Sunshine) second Rita - Defeated

D-4 CHANGE

Number of teams Team Declarations

1 team

1-A1 or 1-A2 or 1-B

2 teams

1-A1 or 1-A2 and 1-B

1-A1 or 1-A2 and 1-C

1-A1 and 1-A2

3 teams

1-A1 and 1-A2 and 1-B

1-A1 and 1-A2 and 1-C

1-A1 and 2-B

1-A1 and 1-B and 1-C

4 teams

1-A1 and 1-A2 and 2-B

1-A1 and 1-A2 and 1-B and 1-C

2-A1 and 1-A2 and 1-B

2-A1 and 1-B and 1-C

1-A1 and 2-A2 and 1-B

1-A1 and 2-B and 1-C

5 teams

1-A1 and 1-A2 and 2-B and 1-C

1-A1 and 2-A2 and 2-B

2-A1 and 1-A2 and 2-B

2-A1 and 1-A2 and 1-B and 1-C

2-A1 and 2-A2 and 1-B

2-A1 and 2-A2 and 1-C

1-A1 and 1-A2 and 2-B and 1-C

1-A1 and 2-B and 2-C

6 teams

1-A1 and 2-A2 and 2-B and 1-C

2-A1 and 1-A2 and 1-B and 2-C

2-A1 and 2-B and 2-C

3-A1 and 1-A2 and 1-B and 1-C

3-A1 and 2-B and 1-C

7 teams

2-A1 and 2-A2 and 2-B and 1-C

2-A1 and 2-A2 and 1-B and 2-C

2-A1 and 1-A2 and 2-B and 2-C

3-A1 and 1-A2 and 2-B and 1-C

3-A1 and 1-A2 and 1-B and 2-C

8 teams

3-A1 and 2-A2 and 2-B and 1-C
3-A1 and 2-A2 and 1-B and 2-C
3-A1 and 1-A2 and 2-B and 2-C
2-A1 and 3-A2 and 2-B and 1-C
2-A1 and 2-A2 and 2-B and 2-C
2-A1 and 2-A2 and 3-B and 1-C

9 teams

3-A1 and 2-A2 and 2-B and 2-C
3-A1 and 1-A2 and 3-B and 2-C
2-A1 and 3-A2 and 2-B and 2-C
2-A1 and 3-A2 and 3-B and 1-C
2-A1 and 2-A2 and 3-B and 2-C
2-A1 and 2-A2 and 2-B and 3-C

10 teams

3-A1 and 3-A2 and 2-B and 2-C
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Rationale:

This allows larger clubs to better develop players at the A2 level, rather than forcing players to play at a level beyond their level, just because their club is larger. This would eliminate associations from capping registration to avoid the 6-team rule of having to put out 2 A1 teams, and an A2 team, and give the club the discretion of putting out 2 A1 teams if they happen to have a strong group of skilled players in an age grouping. Having seen this policy in action a couple seasons ago in 2016, it was detrimental to an entire group of players from our club, and we lost a number of players as a result of the season they had to play. Our second A1 team was in way over their heads, and our A2 team was as well.

8. Motioned by Rita second Garret - Carried

NEW

- D-4 (ii) For female Peewee, Bantam and Midget only; 12 teams need to be declared and viable before tiering can take place. A minimum of 4 teams must declare at tier 1 to make tier 1 viable.

Rationale: we need a minimum of 4 teams to make tier 1 work, also having 12 teams declared before splitting helps keep both tiers viable.

9. Motioned by: Rita second Jeff - Carried

D-4 Paragraph 7 under teams declared.

The first half season league play should finish by mid May. The exact date is to be determined at the Declaration meeting. Mini-Tyke and Tyke teams would be exempt from this season split. Each team from Novice and above will play a minimum of six scheduled league games by this date. There will be no rescheduling of any of these games into the second half of season play. All first half season games must be played within the time lines allowed.

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The first half season league play should finish by mid May. The exact date is to be determined at the Declaration meeting. Mini-Tyke and Tyke teams would be exempt from this season split. Each team from Novice and above (including Female) will play a minimum of six scheduled league games by this date. There will be no rescheduling of any of these games into the second half of season play. All first half season games must be played within the time lines allowed.

Rationale: As we look at tiering in female this needs to happen to allow team movement.

10. Motioned by Garret second Rita - Carried

- D-5 Associations having two (2) or more teams in any division and calibre must balance all teams at the beginning of the each season with the exception of multiple A1 teams. Associations may declare unbalanced A1 teams with Commission approval. If at the meeting of the Commissioners and LMMLC Executive to discuss team movement it is found that an Association teams are unbalanced, that Association, at the discretion of the LMMLC Executive and Commissioners, may be fined \$500. Failure to pay the fine by next regularly scheduled meeting of the Commission will result in the Association being not in good standing in the Commission.

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(ii) Association teams who get tiered from 1 division to another and already have a team within that divisions, must rebalance these teams as per BCLA policy 5.05, prior to the start of games after tiering break. Failure to do so will result in these teams being removed from league play.

Rationale: as per BCLA policy all teams in 1 division need to be balanced. We have this as an unwritten rule, but feel it should be in policy.

11. Motioned by Rita and Garret - Carried

D-11 NEW ADD

(f) For a goalie who has played a total of seven (7) or more league, playoff, or sanctioned tournament games or combination of, in any division or calibre higher than the one in which he/she is registered, must for the remainder of the year play for a higher division or calibre in which he/she played his/her seventh (7) game.

If passed the old (f) becomes (g) – housekeeping already in BCLA policy

12. Motioned Rita second Garret - Carried

H-5 Suspensions can be served during league play, playoff games, Provincial Championship games and BCLA sanctioned tournament games only. Suspensions can only be served with the team that the suspended player is registered with. The coach suspension must be served with the team where the suspension occurred. **Players can be given suspensions from an exhibition game.**

All suspensions imposed by a Commissioner must run one after another with the player NOT playing between suspensions and the suspension becomes effective immediately when a coach or team official is notified. **Automatic suspensions (LMMLC Section G-2 & G-4 and the Minor Directorate Disciplinary Rules) do not require notifications and are to be served immediately.**

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Rationale: This is in the BCLA but coaches don't look there for this policy it makes it more defined.

13. Motioned By – withdrawn out of order – midget C was not removed

Section I

I-2 In Midget, Bantam, PeeWee and Novice where "C" leagues are formed, no Association may declare a "C" calibre team with more average years playing experience per player than two years for Novice and PeeWee, three years for Bantam, four years for Midget, times the number of registered players on that team. This rule does not apply to teams that are moved down to the "C" division by their Commission. (Example: Peewee 15 players on a team – total number of years of experience is 24 years – $(15-3) \times 2 = 24$).

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Rationale: As we don't have a midget C division.

14. Motioned By Garret second Rita - Carried

NEW Add

If below passes this will become L and the old L will become M and M will become N

Section L – Associations Name/Logo & Uniform

The following is the name, logo and colours for each association within the LMMLC league.

Any association or their teams who wish to change their name, logo or colours must get permission from their executive. The president of the association and team who wish to change their name, logo or colours will bring this request to the LMMLC chair to be presented at our next LMMLC meeting.

Failure to do this will result in the association being fined \$1000.00 and teams removed from the league.

Any association who wish to change their name, logo or colours for their whole association, must make their request to the LMMLC chair to be presented at our next meeting where all the associations get to vote on this request.

ASSOCIATION	NAME	COLOURS	LOGO
Abbotsford	Warriors	Maroon, Gold and Black	
Burnaby	Lakers	Kelly Green Black & White	
Chilliwack	Mustangs	Green, Black, Gold & White	
Coquitlam	Adanacs	Purple, Gold & White	
Delta	Islanders	Red, Black and White	
Langley	Thunder	Blue, White & Black	
Mission	Sasquatch	Black & Green	
New Westminster	Salmonbellies	Red, White & Blue	
North Shore	Eagles	Red, White & Blue	
Port Coquitlam	Saints	Yellow, Black & White	
Port Moody	Thunder	Black, Red & white	
Richmond	Road Runners	Orange & Black	
Ridge Meadows	Burrards	Blue, White & Red	
Semiahmoo	Rock	Orange, Black & White	
Surrey	Rebels	Orange, Blue and White	
Sunshine Coast	Rapids	Blue & White	
Vancouver	Burrards	Teal & Black or teal & white	

Rationale: Putting this in policy stops associations and teams changing their name, logo, or colours without permission and using some other associations designs.

Election of Officers – as per policy these were the only names brought forward

Secretary casts one vote per each position.

Motion to destroy ballet – Tom and Rita

- Vice Chair – Nomination Mary Clare
- Secretary – Nomination Pam Mason
- Zone 3 Rep – Nomination Gord Miller
- Zone 5 Rep – Nomination Mary Clare

New Business

- Dates for meetings 2018 – will send out the list of the datee
- Season for 2018 – in attached handout
- Provincials 2018
 - Bantam – July 5-8 Richmond
 - Female – July 12-15 Cowichan Valley
 - Pee Wee – July 12-15 Coquitlam
 - Midget – July 26-29 Burnaby
- Summer games
 - Cowichan Valley – July 19-22
- Tyke Rules 2018
 - Sent out the rules via email and they have been approved and officials will be informed in the clinics
 - From the coaches please ensure that the coaches of the tyke teams know the rules
- Carry over Suspensions
 - Sent out today – make sure to check the list and anyone that may now be with your club serves their suspension
- Tyke level and discussion around it
 - Associations can hold clinics
 - First year kids are at a disadvantage for development
 - Wants to look at playing strength vs strength
 - Good way to develop kids in tyke is to have clinics to teach them body contact vs checking
 - What was done with Poco with the 3 on 3 was very successful and something to look at for in house groups.
- Referees need to look at getting a mentorship program or a training session in the tiering
- Reminder that Referee fees have gone up

Motion to adjourn at 922pm

NEXT MEETING – Tuesday, January 2018 at 7pm - New Westminster