

Lower Mainland meeting - April 14 - Call to order 7:02 pm

Attendance:

Beth McLucas (chair), Mary Clare (zone 5), Pam Mason (secretary), Mike O'Connor (zone 4), Gord McIntosh (females), Jody Weatherby (officials), Abbotsford, Burnaby, Langley, Mission, New Westminster, Delta, Port Coquitlam, Richmond, Port Moody, Gord Miller (zone 3), Rob Arden (coaches), Tracey Dolbec (treasurer), North Delta, Ridge Meadows, Coquitlam, Chilliwack

Absent: North Shore, Surrey, Sunshine Coast

Approval of minutes: Jeff, Rob Arden

Treasurer's Report:

Approval: Rob, Gord

Bank Balance \$10,478.19 few cheques total \$2,400

Team Fees - Coquitlam, Langley, North Shore, Port Moody, Vancouver

Zone Reports - Balls are in only got notification with codes and will give info for picking them up.

Female - junior teams Coquitlam still has a spot

Coaches - will post on COP about certification, clinics are filling up

- Coaches can go onto website or call Dave showers
- Players would have to open doors if no level one

Officials - Jody's email:

With regrets, I won't be able to make the meeting as we are short referees and I have to work the floor Tuesday.

Here is my quick report.

- The minor referee clinics are now completed.
- The head referee meeting is now completed.
- We now have all the zones covered by a zone coordinator (we had no one for zone 5)

I have now refereed 4 exhibition games. In each and every game that I refereed, I went to coaches for the pre game and asked if they were aware of the new rules. Not on coach was aware of any new rules which means they were never told.

Here are copies of slides that were shown to all head referees and then I sent them to each and every head referee.

We all know the goal keepers rule ...no measurements....this is not new.

The fighting rule is very complicated and is too much to explain in writing. It really does not apply all the much in the minor program unless it is one those crazy, insane, chaotic, going ballistic, intentional hunt the player down to beat the crap out of him...situations. If anyone wants a detailed explanation ...just ask me.

The big one that effects the game is when the ball goes out of bounds after hitting the goal keeper or pipes. See the last slide.

I hope the slides help and you please make sure your coaches in your association read this and are aware.

If they need more help or instruction ...the head referee knows of these changes or they can ask me.

Thanks, Jody
Lower Mainland Zone Coordinator

New Business:

Directories are here, pick them up before you leave

Dropping teams or changing team declarations- cannot be done so close to the season after the declarations. Teams can be added at the tiering break

Changes can be made until the commissioners meeting which is about 2 weeks prior to the season start. Once the schedules are started changes cannot be made to declarations or the number of teams until tiering is complete

C teams - what the BCLA and the MD were trying to do was incorrect so this year they will have to take a year off of each player this year. Linda has been doing it that way for years to have brand new as zero years.

Constitution bylaws and operating policies need to be sent to Beth so that she can send them to BCLA. Gregg Toll goes through them.

Team BC boys is this Thursday, Female May 7

Gaming deadline is May 31st - is a hard deadline

Lacrosse on the move, provincial teams can apply for a grant if they are travelling. Can also apply for traveling tournaments. You do not get the money until after the provincials.

Deadline for registration paper work is May 15th and club were fined if not in on time and will be fined again.

Operating Policy - a club register will supply rosters to commissioner by May 7 to ensure that they are in the data base.

2017 Nationals all divisions are open if anyone wants to host contact Rochelle to put in an application

2016 provincials - start thinking about if you want to host, as it will be a busy year, they want all provincials here in the lower mainland

Carryover suspensions - there is one addition - president already knows.

Now getting emails saying that the player served it at his last game can he now play, if you are asking now, it will not be approved.

Ask your B teams if they get dropped to C will they travel to Prince George for the provincials. So they have an idea if there will be a C provincials for Midgets.

Females - any girls playing boys cannot be called up to a boys team they cannot cross over to Female to Male.

Competitive Novice will be working on over the next little while, will have team registration, individual registration, and coach registration. It has been busy. Will email the information.

Tyke issue- three years ago voted that tyke would not to travel outside of zone. Do we still want to keep at one game per week. We did vote in February to have one game per week. Having in house can utilize the floor time more efficient. Leave it as is. We will bring up as a discussion for next year

Commissioners are complaining that they are not getting the team information, they have been told to contact the presidents.

Beth: make a motion to send flowers or donation from the LMMLC to Rochelle's family for the passing of her mother.

Glenn is suggesting that we look at having just A division for the provincials and have all three divisions at the same place, same time every year, different locations, have championships at the B and C rather than a provincial. The provincials should be the best not have everyone go. Have a commission cup for B and C. Tom, most of our players are at the B level and give them a sense of accomplishment, most of our teams are B teams, how many of our teams are A teams. Provincials is a showcase of the best of the best. Also get rid of A1 and A2 and only have A. Think that taking the character away from the game.

The A teams are playing against each other why are they counting towards your provincials points. Everyone is in the same boat, and then there could be an A2 team that is moved down to B.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45pm

NEXT MEETING - Tuesday May 12th New Westminster