



## B.C. LACROSSE OFFICIALS TECHNICAL SUPPORT GROUP

### 2021 SPECIAL SESSION via Zoom

Saturday, September 11, 2021 – 1:00 PM

### AGENDA

Meeting started - 1:01pm

Regrets: Sydney Hara, Andrew Corbould

Attendees: 34 = 26 voting members and 8 observers

Anderson	Cam	BCLOG - Clinician	Louie	Wilson	BCLOG - Vice Chair Minor Box
Baldrige	Craig	Senior referee	Nose	Ryan	BCLOG - Vice Chair Men's Field
Baxter	Bryan	<b>OBSERVER</b> -BCLA	Quigley	Dennis	<b>Observer</b> - BCLA
Boyer	Tyler	Zone 6 BCLOG Minor Rep	Reid	Angie	Surrey - Box Head Ref./Head Umpire
Brien	Lee	BCLOG - Chair	Smith	Jarrett	Delta Minor Lacrosse
Cook	Rob	JDF	Smith	Adam	<b>Observer</b> - Langley Minor Lacrosse
Crompton	Tyler	<b>Observer</b> - Chilliwack Hawk Field	Smith	Joseph	Senior Field Referee
Dos Santos	Susan	<b>Obs.</b> - Surrey - Field Head Referee	Snow	Meghan	Zone 3 BCLOG Minor Rep
Dymtruk	Sarah	<b>Observer</b> - Nanaimo Lacrosse Assoc	Syrotuck	Jason	Peninsula Lacrosse Assoc
Elder	Brock	Alberni Valley	Taylor	Dylan	BCLOA - Referee
Foulds	Terry	BCLOG - MCC - Minor Box	Toll	Greg	BCLA VP Operations
Gee	Simon	Observer - Burnaby Field	Tyre	Wes	RIC - Vancouver Island Field
Gilliam	Cody	Burnaby Minor	Watson	Andy	BCLOG - Sr Learning Facilitator
Goulet	David	WLA - RIC	Weatherby	Jody	BCLOG - Senior Box Allocator
Jaramillo	Wuilbert	<b>Observer</b> - Kelowna Minor	Webber	Trevor	<b>Observer</b> - Burnaby Field
Lehman	Sean	BCLOG - Vice Chair Senior Box	White	Ryan	Saanich
Leies	Tyson	Pac Rim Field	Wright	Doug	BCLOG - Director at large

Several observers who are guests are not eligible to vote as they are not a registered official.

Dennis Quigley does not have a vote as VP for Coaches/Officials – change needed at BCLA AGM.

Agenda M/S Angie Reid/Dylan Taylor Carried

### OFFICIALS SPECIAL SESSION

1. **Introduction** – zoom call, please use hand up feature
  - a. Introduction of executive members
2. **Minutes of the September 10, 2020 BCLOG Special Session**
  - a. M/S/C- Cam Comeau/Tyler Boyer
3. **Reports – on website in special session section**
  - a. **Chair** (Lee Brien)
    - i. Working within everchanging landscape was difficult
    - ii. Good to see game play come July and referees on the floor
    - iii. Virtual clinics held – but ineffective in supporting referee development
      1. Field clinics will be in-person in next few weeks
  - b. **Directorate at Large** (Doug Wright)
    - i.
  - c. **Vice Chair - Senior Box** (Sean Lehman)
    - i. **Nothing to add**
  - d. **Vice Chair – Minor Box** (Wilson Louie)
    1. Minor Directorate met throughout the COVID process
    2. Decision to not have provincials was reversed by BCLA Board
    3. Looking forward to next year
    - ii. Zone 3 BCLOG Rep – Meghan Snow
      1. Happy to see some semblance of a season



- iii. Zone 4 BCLOG Rep – Jarrett Smith
  - 1. Appreciate driving done by officials to cover games
- iv. Zone 5 BCLOG Rep -Tyler Boyer
  - 1. Thanks to those who helped out
- v. Zone 6 BCLOG Rep
- vi. Zone 8 BCLOG Rep
- e. **Vice Chair – Men’s Field** (Ryan Nose)
  - i. Start/stop until shut down
  - ii. Thanks to Jodie Weatherby who is stepping back from Pacific Coast
  - iii. Minor field clinics start tomorrow
  - iv. Games starting on September 18<sup>th</sup>
- f. **Vice Chair – Women’s Field** (Sydney Hara)
- g. **BCLA Vice President Technical Programs** (Dennis Quigley)
  - i. Thanks to Lee and crew who set up clinics
  - ii. Thanks also to Dave Showers in the office for his work
- h. **BCLA Technical Director** (Dave Showers) – nothing to add
  - i. Able to offer 25 clinics online – appreciate work of clinicians
  - ii. Thanks to referees, officials and umpires for all their efforts

#### Acceptance of reports - M/S/C Joe Smith/Cody Gilliam

#### 4. Operating Policy Proposed Changes

- a. None proposed

#### 5. Election of Officers (two-year terms)

- i. Brian Baxter (observer for BCLOTSG) will run election as Lee’s position is up for election
- ii. Dave and Deb in office will run any elections via online poll
- iii. A description of each position shared onscreen
- iv. Observers removed to waiting room during election polling
- v. Greg Toll assisted with process

#### a. Chair (two-year term)

- i. Lee Brien
- ii. Andy Watson

**Election** – Andy Watson elected

Expression of appreciation to Lee Brien for his eight years of service as the Chair to the BC Lacrosse Officials Association.

#### b. Vice Chair –Women’s Field (two-year term)

- i. Angie Reid - acclaimed

#### c. Secretary (two-year term)

- i. Andrew Corbould - acclaimed

#### d. Director at Large (one-year term)

- i. Doug Wright – acclaimed

#### Destroy the ballots – M/S/C Greg Toll/Dylan Taylor



## 6. New Business

- a. Dennis Quigley – next steps in implementing the 3-man system
  - i. Discussion about push for the 3-man system (3 referee/person language should be used)
    1. Lee would recommend that the executive continue to push this forward
    2. Doug – main problem is the number of officials who are going to be available to officiate. Takes time to develop officials (2-4 years) before they can be put into games
      - a. Need to look from bottom up, start at PeeWee level and dramatically expand the number of officials
      - b. We are consistently short of officials so it make sthe 3-man system impractical in many areas
      - c. WLA using the 3-man system resulted in too many officials being pushed up to far/too fast
        - i. Pulled officials form the other senior leagues
      - d. Support the system but we need more referees
    - ii. Dennis – Coaches supported 3-man system in today’s meeting
    - iii. Tyson – need to pull in parents and coaches to increase discipline to reduce referee abuse and numbers may go up
    - iv. Meaghan – official abuse at the minor level from managers/coaches and fans – need to increase suspensions
      1. Best games to referee came earlier this season when the fans weren’t allowed
    - v. Sean – did have discussion prior to games at Junior A about trying it this year but couldn’t be due to lack of numbers
      1. Stated in my report we won’t have enough officials to cover games if leagues impose 3-man system
      2. Other sports are also short on officials
    - vi. Joe – hard to bring up the numbers unless we start at the bottom
      1. Impact of other jobs that pay more than refereeing – should we be looking to increase fees?
      2. Abuse of officials is impacting kids staying
    - vii. Ideally, we’d like to do it but number of officials dictates an inability
    - viii. Doug – are minor clubs in supportive of increasing referee costs by 50% to begin the development of officials in this system??
      1. Lee – last 2 years of putting the idea out there, some bigger associations were for it, but varied by association
    - ix. Andy – can we collect evidence from all areas of the province to determine resource level.
      1. Will be a challenge in other provinces too.
  - b. Referee abuse – Wilson – can we revisit JOCAP around abuse
    - i. Actions of referee abusers need to be dealt with
    - ii. Rob Arden has worked hard with coaches, but referee is already gone and won’t return to officiate
      1. Retroactive discipline is not working
    - iii. Lee - we need to help referees make the abuse call
      1. Can’t be an after the fact call
    - iv. Joe – younger officials are intimidated without support from older officials or adults
      1. Role of the Head Referee to support officials – training needed

## 7. Motion for Adjournment at 1:58 pm - Greg Toll