



BC Lacrosse Officials Association

2011 Special Session Minutes September 10, 2011 – Douglas College, New Westminster

In Attendance: Lee Brien, Gil Lowe, Heather Foulds, Terry Foulds, Sean Lehman, Nick Thomas, Keith Gagne, Wilson Louie, Barry Kelly, Jody Weatherby, Ryan Nose, Ryan Mulligan, Braden Wilkins, Keith Williams, Andrea Jones, Connor Lies, Doug Wright, Chris Comeault, Riley Williamson, Bill Mosdell, Craig Baldrige, Terry Kirstiuk Kyle Shanks, Mike Everett, Perry McCulloch and Kody Moleschi.

1. **Introductions.** The meeting was called to order 11:05 AM with Chair Doug Wright presiding. Doug introduced the executive members in attendance and welcomes everyone!

2. **2010 Special Session Minutes.** *It was moved by Sean Lehman, seconded by Wilson Louie that the minutes from the 2010 BCLOA Special Session be adopted as circulated. CARRIED.*

3. **Reports**

- a) Chair – **Report attached**
- b) Vice Chair, Minor –. **Report attached**
- c) Vice Chair, Senior –**Report attached**
- d) Vice Chair, Men’s Field – **Report attached**
- e) Vice Chair Women’s Field – **Report attached**
- f) BCLA Technical Director – **Report attached.**
- g) Minor Zone Coordinators:
- h) Zone 6 - **Report attached**
- i) Minor Provincial Referee In Chief’s:
 - i.) Peewee - **Report attached**
 - ii.) Bantam - **Report attached**
 - iii) Midget - **Report attached.**
- j) Senior Operations:
 - i.) Intermediate Provincials - **Report attached.**
 - ii.) Lower Mainland Allocator - **Report attached.**

It was moved by Barry Kelly, seconded by Kyle Shanks that all reports be accepted as submitted. CARRIED.

5. **Operating Policy – Proposed Amendments**

It was moved by Sean Lehman, seconded by Wilson Louie that APPENDIX FOUR: SELECTION POLICY - REFEREES TO PLAYOFFS, PROVINCIALS AND NATIONALS be added to the BCLOA Operating Policy that would read:

APPENDIX FOUR: SELECTION POLICY REFEREES TO SENIOR BOX PLAYOFFS, PROVINCIALS AND NATIONALS

Selection Policy

1. A candidate must be an active member in good standing of the BC Lacrosse Officials Association as of May 1 of the current playing year.

2. (a) A candidate for Intermediate, Junior B, Senior C Playoff and Provincials must have attained a CLA Level 3 or greater, must have officiated 10% of league games and must receive two (2) favorable evaluation during the league from an evaluator recognized by the Selection Committee.
- b) A candidate for Junior A and Senior B Playoff must have attained a CLA Level 4 or greater, must have officiated 10% of league games and must receive two (2) favorable evaluation during the League from an evaluator recognized by the BCLOA Selection Committee.
- c) A candidate for Founder's Cup must have attained a CLA Level 4 or greater, must be an active part of the Junior B League Playoffs and Provincials, and must receive two (2) favorable evaluations during the Playoffs and Provincials from the RIC at Provincials or an evaluator recognized by the Selection Committee. A candidate for President's and Minto Cup must have attained a CLA Level 4 or greater, must be an active part of the Senior B or Junior A Playoffs, and must receive two (2) favourable evaluations during the Playoffs from an evaluator recognized by the Selection Committee.
3. No candidate may be an on floor official at two nationals in one year. Founders Cup candidates must not have officiated at no more than two Founders Cup
4. All candidates must be active members within the BCLOA and CLA Officiating Programs.
5. Successful applicants will receive an invitation by the BCLOA Vice-Chair - Senior.
6. All candidates must meet all examination requirements as set out by the BCLOA and CLA Officiating Committees.
7. All candidates must meet all evaluation requirements as set out by the BCLOA and CLA Officiating Committees.
8. All candidates must meet all fitness requirements as set out by the BCLOA and CLA Officiating Committees.
9. All candidates must meet all uniform requirements as set out by the BCLOA and CLA Officiating Committees.
10. Candidates for Provincials and Nationals must be available for any games during the tournament.

Selection Committee

1. The selection committee will be comprised of the following members:
 - a. BCLOA Vice-Chair - Senior
 - b. Two or more members are to be appointed by the BCLOA Vice-Chair - Senior. The BCLOA Vice-Chair - Senior shall, at his/her discretion, increase or decrease the number of committee members as required.
2. No members of the selection committee shall be a candidate for a national appointment.
3. The BCLOA Vice-Chair - Senior shall be the Chair of the Selection Committee. The BCLOA Vice Chair - Senior will only cast a vote in the event of a tie in voting.
4. The selection committee will publish a list of recognized evaluators.
5. The selection committee may consult with league commissioners regarding candidates.
6. The selection committee may consult with the RIC's for the respective Provincial Championships
7. The selection committee's decision shall be final.
8. The selection committee does not select RIC's.

Selection Criteria

1. The Selection committee will utilize the following criteria in arriving at their decision:
 - a. Past performance and evaluations at BCLA and CLA sanctioned events

- b. Past or present contributions to the NOCP program
- c. Evaluation Grade
- d. Exam Grade
- e. League Commissioner Feedback

Application Process

1. All interested candidates are to submit a completed application and two (2) favorable evaluations to the BCLOA Selection Committee no later than the date(s) as laid out in the time line below.
2. The selection committee will review each application and make their recommendations to the BCLOA Vice-Chair - Senior who will then send out the appropriate invitations.

Selection Procedure

The selection procedure will begin after the application deadline.

1. The candidates will be ranked according to the criteria outlined above. The top candidate(s) will be selected to work the respective playoff, provincial, and/or national. Where there is a tie in the final rankings the following criteria will be used to rank the referees
 - a. On-Floor Evaluations – 50%
 - b. NOCP Exam- 30%
 - c. Contributions to the BCLOA Officiating Program – 20%

In addition to the selected referees, alternate referees will be selected to act as back up referees in the event that the nominated officials are not able to fulfill their obligations, or if additional referees are requested.

2. Based on the number of officials required, the successful officials will be notified by telephone or email by the BCLOA Vice Chair - Senior.
3. Officials will be asked to sign a contract agreeing to the terms and conditions of the offer to officiate at the Provincial/National Championship and to abide by the terms set out in the contract.

Selection Time Lines:

Date <i>(Current playing year)</i>	Action Item
April 30	Selection Policy and Application sent out to BCLOA members
June 1	Deadline for submission of Playoff, Provincials and National Applications from interested candidates.
June 20	Deadline for submission of two (2) Evaluations from candidates who have applied.
June 26	Selection Committee meets to review and discusses applications.
June 28	Selection Committee to Forward Recommendations to the BCLOA Vice-Chair – Senior.
June 30	BCLOA Vice Chair - Senior to send invitations to successful applicants.
July 10	Receive responses from successful applicants
July 15	Submit nominations into the CLA

MOTION CARRIED WITH AMENDMENTS.

This motion also affects: Regulation: 3.04 (a) – Page 113; Regulation: 5.01 – Page 116

It was moved by Terry Foulds, seconded by Keith Williams to Amend REGULATION 3: ORGANIZATION, 3.04 (a) Vice Chair – Senior that would read:

3.01 The duties of the Vice Chairs are as follows:

a) Vice Chair - Senior

Will liaise with all member groups to ensure that there is proper recruitment, training and continual excellence in officiating. Will liaise with the Chair and perform all duties that are assigned, including evaluating and grading all Senior officials, with assistance from the assigned evaluators. The position and duties of the Senior Allocator will fall under the leadership of the Vice Chair - Senior. Will assist the Vice Chair - Minor in the training of Minor level officials who show skills and knowledge so that they are encouraged to graduate to the Senior level when the qualifications defined in Appendix One are met. Will provide a monthly written summary to the BCLOA Chair by the third Monday of each month (January - September). Will act as a liaison regarding CLA issues, and will inform BCLOA members of officiating issues through written communication. *Will appoint a selection committee as per APPENDIX FOUR, and will ensure the criteria is followed as noted.*

MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Kyle Shanks, seconded by Braden Wilkins to Replace REGULATION 3: ORGANIZATION, 3.04 (k) Minor Clinicians that would read:

3.04 k) Minor Clinicians

Appointed for a term of one year by the Vice Chair-Minor in conjunction with the Chair, Secretary, Master Course Clinicians and Head Referee from zone where clinics are held. Must currently hold a Level 3 or higher certification with at least five years of box lacrosse officiating experience, have experience as a head referee or assistant head referee and be a member in good standing with the BCLA and BCLOA. Must demonstrate a high degree of professionalism and maturity both on and off the floor. Must be certified annually as a clinician by a Master Course Clinician in a clinician training session. Responsible for conducting referee training clinics and subsequent certification of referees. Responsible for assisting the Master Learning Facilitator with the updating of course materials for referee instruction. Responsible for assisting Minor Zone Co-ordinators with evaluations and supervision of minor officials.

MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Craig Baldrige, seconded by Keith Gagne to replace REGULATION 5: GAME ASSIGNMENT GUIDELINES, 5.02 that would read:

5.01 Criteria and Selection Guidelines for Senior Box Officials to officiate in league post-season playdowns, provincials and national championships will be followed by the BCLOA Executive Committee as outlined in APPENDIX FOUR: SELECTION POLICY - REFEREES TO PLAYOFFS, PROVINCIALS AND NATIONALS.

This motion also affects Regulation: 3.04 (a) – Page 113

MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Kyle Shanks, seconded by Gord Patrick to amend REGULATION 5: GAME ASSIGNMENT GUIDELINES, 5.03 currently reads:

5.03 An official shall not referee a sibling, parent or immediate relation involved in a game at all levels except in extenuating circumstances, and agreed to by both teams. Both coaches must sign the top of the scoresheet to verify agreement prior to the start of the game.

Note: Exemption for Field Lacrosse due to low numbers of officials. Will be reviewed on a yearly basis.

Remove the Note from **REGULATION 5: GAME ASSIGNMENT GUIDELINES, 5.03.**

MOTION DEFEATED

It was moved by Terry Foulds, seconded by Sean Lehman to amend REGULATION 5: GAME ASSIGNMENT GUIDELINES, 5.03 that would read:

5.06 All officials game assignments in all senior directorate lacrosse games shall be allocated by the BCLOA Senior Allocator. This will include all exhibition, league and playoff games. *All official game assignments in all Senior Directorate Provincial games shall be allocated by that Championship's Referee in Chief.*

MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Terry Foulds, seconded by Sean Lehman to amend REGULATION 11: DRESS AND EQUIPMENT, 11.03 that would read:

11.03 Field: The official uniform of the Canadian Field Lacrosse Referees shall consist of:

Men's Field Referee Uniform

- a black hat with white piping
- a black and white striped sweater (long or short sleeves)
- *solid black golf-style shorts with beltloops (draw string shorts not acceptable) with black ankle high socks or black foul weather pants with black socks*
- a black belt
- black shoes
- whistle (and a spare)
- an official scorecard
- two yellow flags
- pencil and eraser
- coin
- 30 second timer (or watch: digital or analog with a second hand)
- tape measure
- string
- rule book

Note: For National/International Championships, referee must still follow the CLA Field Lacrosse Referee Uniform standards.

MOTION CARRIED WITH AMENDMENTS

It was moved by Sean Lehman, seconded by Keith Gagne to adopt the following as the official logo of the BC Lacrosse Officials Association.



MOTION CARRIED with opposition noted from Doug Wright and Gil Lowe.

6. Elections of Officers

a) Chair (two year term) –

Nominations: Doug Wright and Terry Foulds

Doug Wright lets his name stand

Secretary casts 1 ballot

Elected: Doug Wright

b) Vice Women's Field (two year term) –

Nominations: Andrea Jones

Andrea Jones let his name stand

Secretary casts 1 ballot

Elected: Andrea Jones

c) Secretary (two year term) –

Nominations: Lee Brien and Heather Foulds.

Lee Brien lets his name stand.

Secretary casts 1 ballot

Elected: Lee Brien

Motion to destroy ballots. Moved by Terry Foulds, seconded by Kyle Shanks. **Motion carried.**

7. New Business

a) Joint Officials/Coaches Committee

- Barry Kelly and Perry McCullough volunteer to sit on the committee

b) Video Project for Minor and Senior Box Clinics

- largest portion of work is watching the raw video

- any interested volunteers to contact Doug Wright or Kyle Shanks

8. Adjournment. *It was moved by Craig Baldrige, seconded by Sean Lehman that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting adjourned at 1:20 PM.*