Chair Christine Pollock called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

Paul Delmont was introduced by Christine and he gave us a run down on the upcoming NLL weekend at Langley Events Centre. As well as the exhibition game on December 8 between Colorado and Calgary, the weekend will include practices and clinics (coaches and players) scheduled for December 7 to 9. Contact information is available on the BCLA web site.

Proposed amendments to the Senior Directorate Operating Policy were discussed and clarification was given as required.

At 8:00 PM, the meeting recessed, to reconvene at 9:00 A.M. Saturday, October 13, 2012.
1. Chair, Christine Pollock called the meeting to order at 9:05 A.M.

2. There are 66 voting delegates in attendance. This total includes three BCLA members, one BCLOA representative and one BCLCA representative.

3. It was moved by Jim Ross, seconded by Bill Dawes that the minutes of the 2011 Special Session be accepted as circulated.

   CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

   a. There was no business arising.

5. Registrar

   a. Gloria Siegner is not returning as Registrar. Judy Regier has taken on the task of Senior Registrar.

6. League Reports

   b. Terry Foulds reported that Quesnel joined the Prince George Senior C League in 2012, giving them a six team league.

It was moved by Gene Regier, seconded by Rod Wood to accept the reports as presented.

   CARRIED

On behalf of the Executive and members of the Senior Directorate, Bill Dawes thanked Christine for her past service to the Senior Directorate.

7. Proposed Amendments

   Moved by Judy Regier and seconded by Bill Dawes to amend REGULATION 5: PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – GENERAL 5.12 to read:

   5.12 If a club or team withdraws during the scheduled playing season, the League Commissioner shall prepare a list of player personnel available to other clubs as a result of the withdrawal, and shall circulate the list to all member clubs. No player may sign with another club or team until the list has been circulated and rights assigned by the league. The scheduled playing season will include all league scheduled games plus any post season play.

   In the event of a team withdrawing outside the scheduled playing season, the players of that team shall become the property of the league to be included in a dispersal draft as set up by the league. Outside the scheduled playing season will be the period from January 1st or the date of acceptance of the team application, whichever is applicable, until the beginning of league play.

   CARRIED
Moved by Judy Regier and seconded by Joe Wong to amend REGULATION 6: INTER-LEAGUE USE OF PLAYERS 6.01 to read:

6.01 Where an agreement exists between a Junior league Commissioner and a Junior age player who should be, because of his ability, playing permanently in the Western Lacrosse Association, such a player should be permitted to play regularly in the Western Lacrosse Association with the consent of the player, his Junior coach or manager, and the Commissioner and Senior Directorate elected members.

Where an agreement exists between an Intermediate player and Intermediate League Commissioner that such a player should, because of his ability, be playing permanently in a Junior league, such player should be permitted to play regularly in the Junior league with the consent of the player, Intermediate coach or manager, League Commissioner and the Senior Directorate elected members.

CARRIED

Moved by Rod Wood and seconded by Louise Whitelaw to amend REGULATION 5: PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – GENERAL Applicable to Senior Leagues Only 5.21 to read:

5.21 At a meeting called for the purpose, an Entry Draft will be held as follows:
Senior A on or before March 1
Senior B may hold a draft on or before March 15.
Senior C at the discretion of the league commissioner, but no later than one (1) month prior to the commencement of the league play.

Junior A may hold a draft at the discretion of the League Governors on or before March 15.
Junior B may hold a draft at the discretion of the League Governors on or before March 15.

(a) The mechanics of draft for each Senior League category will be determined by the Commissioner and the League Governors in that category. Each Senior A Team may draft to bring its total of players, both "protected" and "drafted" to a maximum of thirty-five (35).

Players eligible for the Protected List are those who have signed registration certificates with that team in the previous year, who have been acquired by trade, or who were properly drafted in the last draft.

(b) At a meeting called for the purpose, any Junior League may hold a Free Agent Draft for that League to be held on or before March 15.

The mechanics of draft for each category will be determined by the League Governors, must be detailed in their League Agreement and must be ratified by the Governing Body (BCLA Executive) before being implemented by any and all leagues in the Junior Categories. Each Team may draft to bring its total of players, both “protected” and “drafted” to a maximum set by the League.

Players eligible for the Protected List are those who:
have signed registration certificates with that club in the previous year
meet the BCLA residency requirements
have been acquired by trade
who were properly drafted.

Players not drafted are unrestricted free agents and may try out and sign with any team.
A drafted Intermediate age player who is still attending high school or who meets the residency requirements, may elect to play with a Lower Category Team within their residency boundaries. The Team that drafted the player will still hold that player’s rights in the higher League.

The rights of drafted players are held by the Drafting Team up to one (1) year (covering the first year of eligibility). If the drafted player has not signed a registration certificate with the Team that drafted him/her by the end of the first year, then the player has the right to move to another team of his/her choice. If he/she is signed by another team, then compensation must be paid by the signing team to the team who originally drafted him/her. The compensation to be paid shall be comprised of a monetary payment, a trade or a draft choice. If the teams cannot agree on the compensation and there are no guidelines to resolve this in the League Agreement, then it shall be arbitrated by the League Commissioner.

Amended by Ernie Meyer, seconded by Doug Zack by adding

Interimicate A may hold a draft at the discretion of the League Governors on or before March 15.

Intermediate B may hold a draft at the discretion of the League Governors on or before March 15.

CARRIED

Moved by Terry Foulds, seconded by Joe Willmott to amend the first sentence of (b) by deleting Junior and replacing it with Senior, to read:

(b) At a meeting called for the purpose, any Senior League may hold a Free Agent Draft for that League to be held on or before March 15.

CARRIED

Moved by Rod Wood, seconded by Louise Whitelaw to accept the main motion as amended to read:

5.21 At a meeting called for the purpose, an Entry Draft will be held as follows:

Senior A on or before March 1
Senior B may hold a draft on or before March 15.
Senior C at the discretion of the league commissioner, but no later than one (1) month prior to the commencement of the league play.

Junior A may hold a draft at the discretion of the League Governors on or before March 15.

Junior B may hold a draft at the discretion of the League Governors on or before March 15.

Intermediate A may hold a draft at the discretion of the League Governors on or before March 15.

Intermediate B may hold a draft at the discretion of the League Governors on or before March 15.

(a) The mechanics of draft for each Senior League category will be determined by the Commissioner and the League Governors in that category. Each Senior A Team may draft to bring its total of players, both "protected" and "drafted" to a maximum of thirty-five (35).

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Players eligible for the Protected List are those who:

- have signed registration certificates with that club in the previous year
- meet the BCLA residency requirements
- have been acquired by trade
- who were properly drafted.

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CARRIED

8. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

a. Terry Kirstiuk was elected by acclimation for a two year term as Vice Chair – the Secretary cast a ballot
b. Harold Corbett was elected by acclimation for a two year term as Chair – the Secretary cast a ballot.

It was moved by Rod Wood and seconded by Bev Hoffmann to destroy the ballots.

9. NEW BUSINESS

a. We must all be aware of the section in the Operating Policy: General 14. Doping Control Program.

b. CLA Approved Nets
   i. As of January 2013 all nets must be CLA approved.
   ii. To date there are no suppliers in BC.
   iii. Joe Wong, Senior Vice Chair of the BCLOA stated if the deadline remains at January 2013, they would not go on the floor if the nets in use were not CLA approved. The reason being if someone is injured and the nets are not approved consequences could be huge.

Motion by Bill Dawes to adjourn at 10:20 A.M.