



**BC LACROSSE FIELD DIRECTORATE
2014 SPECIAL SESSION
Saturday, April 12, 2014
Executive Hotel, 4201 Lougheed, Burnaby, BC**

In Attendance: Dirk Rachfall, Barb Calve, Ron McQuarrie, Tyson Leies, Naomi Walser, Wes Landels, Ryan Nose, Toni Lowe, Mary Clare, Andrea Jones, Reynold Comeault, Ceayon Johnston, Rick Higgs, Beth McLucas, Randy Radonich, Trevor Webber, Brad Hara, Angie Schwan, Trish Keizer, Tammy McDougall, Darren Flintoff, Chris Sheridan, Charlene Jordan-Jones, Carol Soenen, Dean Sutton, Sue Kinna, Darcy Rhodes, Jody Weatherby, Kim Taylor, Chris Comeault, Al Schonewille, Daren Fridge, Scott Liebich, Doug Clark, Cathie Jeffrey, Sherie Isbister, Bill Barwise, Ron Williams, Tim Hawke, Kia Hamilton, David Goulet, Rochelle Winterton (BCLA Executive Director)

1. **Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order at 10:09 AM, with Chair Dirk Rachfall presiding.
2. **Attendance\Accreditation and Introduction.** Dirk welcomed the group. There was a total of 32 out of a possible 68 voting delegates in attendance.
3. **Approval of April 20, 2013 Field Directorate Special Session Minutes and Agenda.**
It was moved by Brad Hara, seconded by Trevor Webber that the minutes of the 2013 Field Directorate Special Session be adopted as circulated. CARRIED.
It was moved by Brad Hara, seconded by Rick Higgs that the Agenda be accepted as presented. CARRIED.
4. **Business Arising from Minutes.** There was no business arising.
5. **Reports**
 - a) Chair- (Dirk Rachfall)
 - b) Vice Chair- Youth Field- (Wes Landels)
 - c) Pacific Coast Field Lacrosse League Chair (Beth McLucas)
 - d) Vancouver Island Youth Field Lacrosse League Chair (Rick Higgs)
 - e) Okanagan Youth Field Lacrosse Chair (Clint Alexander)
 - f) Prince George Field Lacrosse (Bill Barwise)
-2014 U19 Provincials /Womens's Field U15/U12 Tournament Report (Trish Keizer)
-2014 U16/U14/U12 Tiers 1/2 Provincial Report (Dirk Rachfall/Beth McLucas)
 - g) Vice Chair- Men's Field- (Toni Lowe)
-Canada Wes Field Lacrosse League (Mary Clare)
-Victoria Men's Field Lacrosse League (Barry Kelly)
 - h) Vice Chair- Women's Field- (Ceayon Johnston)
 - i) BCLA Field Registrar- (Karen Peterson)
 - j) BCLCA Vice Chair- Men's Field- (Tyson Leies)
 - k) BCLCA Vice Chair- Women's Field- (Naomi Walser)
 - l) Team BC- Field Lacrosse Program- (Rey Comeault)
 - m) BCLOA Vice Chair – Men's Field- (Ryan Nose)
 - n) BCLOA Vice Chair- Women's Field- (Andrea Jones)

It was moved by Brad Hara, seconded by Beth McLucas that the reports be accepted as presented. CARRIED.

6. Operating Policy Proposed Amendments.

It was moved by Beth McLucas, seconded by Ron Williams to:

Amend REGULATION 2: PLAYING DIVISIONS, 2.01 that would read:

2.01 The Field Lacrosse Directorate shall govern, promote and supervise competition for league play and the Provincial Finals in the following divisions:

Senior Men's	Open
Junior U19 Field	Under 19 years
Midget Field	Under 16 years
Bantam Field	Under 14 years
PeeWee Field	Under 12 years
Novice Field	Under 10 years
Tyke Field	Under 8 years
Mini-Tyke Field	Under 6 years <i>and at least 4 years old</i>
Senior Women's	Open
Junior Women's	Under 19
Youth Women's	Under 15
<i>Youth Women's</i>	<i>Under 12</i>

CARRIED.

It was moved by Brad Hara, seconded by Trevor Webber to:

Add new REGULATION 4: PROOF OF AGE, 4.01-4.03 that would read:

The control of all league competition shall be vested in the league.

The control of inter-league, inter-provincial competition and provincial championship play shall be vested in the Field Directorate who may establish a league to govern such play.

4.01 *The Field Directorate shall establish leagues to govern youth lacrosse league and playoff competition.*

4.02 *These leagues should consist of:*

- (a) Chair*
- (b) Vice Chair*
- (c) Secretary*
- (d) Treasurer*
- (e) Registrar*

4.03 *Membership in a league is comprised of the league executive, commissioners and associations that fall within the boundaries of the league.*

Renumber regulations.

It was further moved to amend this motion by Beth McLucas, seconded by Toni Lowe to add as a new Regulation 2: Commission Structure and League Governance, Regulations 2.01, 2.02 and 2.03 that would read:

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Amendment and original motion CARRIED. Renumber regulations.

It was moved by Trevor Webber, seconded by Tyson Leies to:

Remove "0" at the end of REGULATION 12: YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS, 12.09 Eligibility, 1st paragraph:

12.09 Eligibility

To be eligible to play in a provincial championship tournament, a team must have played a minimum of eight league, sanctioned tournament games, or playoff games, or combination of, during the current year as a team. Exceptions will be reviewed by the Field Directorate.

CARRIED.

It was moved by Trevor Webber, seconded by Tyson Leies to:

Amend REGULATION 13: YOUTH PLAYING RULES, 13.02 to read:

13.02 The Field Directorate will instruct member associations they must adhere to the *ILF* rules, CLA rules and policy, and to the BCLA Field Directorate Operating Policy as written.

When traveling out of BCLA governed areas, teams must adhere to host governing rules as well as the BCLA Policies.

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CARRIED.

It was moved by Trevor Webber, seconded by Brad Hara to:

Add new REGULATION 13: YOUTH PLAYING RULES, 13.05 that would read:

13.05 *Team standing in scheduled leagues shall be determined as follows:*

- A win shall count for two points*
- All draws or tied games, one point to each team*

Re-number 13.05-13.06.

CARRIED.

It was moved by Brad Hara, seconded by Beth McLucas, and moved to amend by Trevor Webber, seconded by Bill Barwise to:

Amend REGULATION 13: YOUTH PLAYING RULES, 13.05, "tie" section that would read:

In the event of a tie in points in BCLA sanctioned tournaments, play downs or Provincials; final standings shall be determined as follows:

- (a) Two teams tied, the winner of game, or games between the two teams advances.*
- (b) If the two teams are still tied, and they did not oppose each other, the team with the fewest goals against shall be the winner providing they have played an equal amount of games.*
- (c) Three or more teams tied, if one team has defeated the other teams, with which it is tied after round robin play, that team shall advance. If this is not possible, the team with the least goals against between the teams, regardless of common opponents shall be declared the winner.*

Note: If teams are still tied and cannot be separated by goals against, the following will be used, in order, until one method results in a winner being identified:

- 1. Least personal penalty minutes between tied teams.*
- 2. Man-Up goals.*
- 3. Names drawn.*

The original and amended motion were CARRIED.

It was moved by Brad Hara, seconded by Trevor Webber to:

Amend REGULATION 13: YOUTH PLAYING RULES, 13.08 that would read:

13.08 In the age groups of *U10* and below, no player shall play more than one-half of the game at the positions of Attack or Big Stick.

CARRIED.

It was moved by Brad Hara, seconded by Trevor Webber, and moved to amend by Doug Clark, seconded by Bill Barwise to:

Add new REGULATION 16: YOUTH TEAM SIZE, 16.03 that would read:

16.03 *Associations may not cap or waitlist any player until they have reached a roster size of 23.*

The original and amended motion were CARRIED.

It was moved by Brad Hara, seconded by Trevor Webber, and moved to amend by Brad Hara and Tammy McDougall to:

Add new REGULATION 17: YOUTH TEAM DISBANDING, 17.02 that would read:

17.02 *Associations/teams must resubmit their team declarations if they have received disbanded players after the declaration date (15.06). If an association/team does not resubmit after receiving a disbanded player, it may result in that player being ineligible for Provincials. Timeframe to be determined by the Field Directorate.*

The original and amended motion were CARRIED.

It was moved by Mary Clare, seconded by Brad Hara, and moved to amend by Trevor Webber, seconded by Darren Flintoff to:

Amend REGULATION 18: YOUTH PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION, 18.05 that would read:

- 18.05 (a) The Club/Association must submit one copy of each player's BCLA-approved, completed Youth Field registration form along with a team list generated from the on-line database and required fees to the BCLA Office by October 31 of each playing year (Sept-Aug).
- (b) Additional Youth Field players may be added up to November 30 upon approval of the League Commissioner and League Executive. ***Any players added at this time upon approval must be cleared by the League Registrar, BCLA Registrar, or designate prior to the player's first practice or game.***

The original and amended motion were CARRIED.

It was moved by Trevor Webber, seconded by Rick Higgs, and moved to amend by Doug Clark, seconded by Rick Higgs to:

REGULATION 18: YOUTH PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION, 18.07 (b) that would read:

- (b) Any team found guilty of playing an unregistered player during a regularly scheduled game (***league, tournament, exhibition and provincial***) shall forfeit all games won during which said player was a participant. ***The home association will be fined \$250 if a player has played is found to be unregistered, defined as registered in the BCLA player database and all required, completed registration forms in the hands of the League Registrar (prior to Oct 30 deadline) or BCLA Registrar (after the Oct 30 deadline).***

The original and amended motion were CARRIED.

It was moved by Beth McLucas, seconded by Rick Higgs to

Amend REGULATION 20: SUSPENSIONS, 20.09 that would read:

- 20.09 A suspended player may only serve the suspension during games played by the team the player is officially registered with. ***If the player's regular season is over and the player still has games to serve, the player will not be permitted to travel with any team until all games have been served. Extenuating circumstances will be reviewed by the Field Directorate.***

It was moved by Randy Radonich, seconded by Dean Sutton that this motion be tabled. CARRIED.

It was moved by Brad Hara, seconded by Trevor Webber to:

Amend APPENDIX A: BCLA FIELD DIRECTORATE POSITION AND ZONE DEFENCE RULES, 2. currently reads:

2. If any Zone/Association Coaching Coordinator, League Commissioner, BCLCA Executive Member, or Field Directorate Executive, clearly determines a coach is in violation of section 13.08 or 13.09 they are to ***advise*** by phone or electronic means the VP of Youth Field Lacrosse for the BCLCA. The VP Youth Field Lacrosse will formally advise the Association Coaching Coordinator/Head Coach and/or President of the incident and it will be their responsibility to ensure that the Coach has been warned and the first infraction has been recorded.

CARRIED.

It was moved by Brad Hara, seconded by Mary Clare to:

Amend REGULATION 35: SENIOR TIMELINE that would read:

TBA Last date for registering Men's players (*to be decided by the Field Directorate at the beginning of each season depending on playing season*)

TBA Provincial Declaration Forms due to BCLA Office (*to be decided by Field Directorate at the beginning of the season depending on when Easter falls*)

CARRIED.

It was moved by Brad Hara, seconded by Beth McLucas and moved to amend by Trevor Webber, seconded by Mary Clare to:

Amend the number of the following Regulations:

- Change **REGULATION 18: YOUTH PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION** to **REGULATION 3: YOUTH PLAYER AND COACH REGISTRATION.**
- Change **REGULATION 13: YOUTH PLAYING RULES** to **REGULATION 4: YOUTH PLAYING RULES.**
- Change **REGULATION 3: PLAYING UP** to **REGULATION 5: PLAYING UP.**
- Renumber the balance of the **REGULATIONS 2-35.**

CARRIED.

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7. **Election of Officers.** Elections were conducted by Ron McQuarrie , BCLA VP Development.
- a) **CHAIR (for 2- Year Term)** -Dirk Rachfall was nominated Barb Calve and won by acclamation –Secretary cast ballot
- b) **-VICE CHAIR- Women's Field (for 2 Year Term)**-Sue Kinna and Ceayon Johnston were nominated- Sue Kinna was elected after vote was taken, a thank-you to Ceayon for her time and efforts made while serving her term. Welcome to Sue.
-SECRETARY (for 2 Year Term)-Barb Calve was nominated and won by acclamation- Secretary to cast ballot.

It was moved by Randy Radonich, seconded by Beth McLucas that the ballots be destroyed.
CARRIED.

8. **Provincial Championships.** It was nice to be able to move the youth to later timeslots. But we are still having issues with box tryouts and putting pressure on players whether to tryout or come to provincials, we have moved Provincials ahead a month to try and alleviate this problem but still sitting there. The conveyors reports are attached.

9. **Nationals.** Rey Comeault – Report attached.

10. **New Business.**

- a) Adanacs Field lacrosse would like to put on another Coaches Symposium like they had
- b) Dirk will be attending the SAGM at the end of June and likely the age divisions are would change just the divisions, (housekeeping).
- c) The Field Directorate is looking at having three U15 Regional Teams (no restricted to players that didn't make such teams as Team BC but are still very talented prospects to be seen for different school/scholarship opportunities.

11. **Motion to Adjourn.** *It was moved by Brad Hara that the meeting be adjourned.* The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 PM.