

BC Lacrosse Coaches Group
2025 Special Session
Monday, 12 January 2026 – 7:30 PM

In Attendance

Members

Bert Fong	Surrey	Liam Hoogstraten	Abbotsford
Chris Brickwood	Surrey	Mark Luongo	Burnaby
Chris Phillips	Kelowna	Michael O'Connor	Zone 5 Coordinator
Curt Morwick	Juan de Fuca	Mike Newton	BCLCG - Secretary
Domenico Sia	Zone 8 Coordinator	Rich Catton	New Westminster
Gord Cooper	Ridge Meadows	Rob Arden	BCLCG - VC-Minor
Jeff MacAulay	Zone 3/4 Coordinator	Russ Auger	BCLA - VP Tech Prog.
Jesse Kemp	Nanaimo	Ryan Clarke	Burnaby
Jessica Nakashimada	Kamloops	Scott Russell	Burnaby
Keifer Flynn	Ridge Meadows	Scott Stapleford	North Shore
Kelly (Jamie) Bellamy	Prince George	Shawn Donahue	BCLCG - VC-Field
Kelly Fines	BCLCG - Island	Tayner Marks	North Island
Kevin Lunnie	New Westminster	Travis Gillespie	BCLCG - Chair
Krista Hass	Vancouver	Wayne Maskall	Burnaby

Observers

Bryan Baxter	Facilitator
Dave Showers	BCLA - Technical Dir.
Gerry Van Beek	BCLA - President
Terry Mosdell	BCLA - VP Development

28 voting members

Majority vote is 15

Introduction

The regular annual Special Session of the BC Lacrosse Coaches Group was held on Monday the 12th of January, 2026 at 7:34 PM. The Vice Chair – Minor Box was in the chair and the Secretary was present. The minutes of the last meeting were circulated and approved as read.

Reports

Chair (Travis Gillespie) – report received and placed on file.

Vice Chair – Minor Box (Rob Arden) - report received and placed on file.

Vice Chair – Senior Box (Dan Chetner) - report received and placed on file.

Vice Chair – Men's Field (Shawn Donahue) - report received and placed on file.

Vice Chair – Women's Field (Gord Cooper) - report received and placed on file.

BCLA Team BC Technical Co-ordinator – Box (Lucas Greene) - report received and placed on file.

BCLA Team BC Technical Co-ordinator – Field (Mitchel Cavallarin) - report received and placed on file.

BCLA Master Learning Facilitator – Box, Field (Terry Mosdell) - report received and placed on file.

BCLA Vice President Technical Programs (Russ Auger) - report received and placed on file.

BCLA Technical Director (Dave Showers) - report received and placed on file.

Discipline Hearings

Look into possibility of having a BCLA disciplinary group vs. the coaches group handling discipline.

Provincial and National Championships

Box Nationals (Minor) will be in Halifax

Mann Cup will be out east

Provincial tournament hosts and dates are listed on the BCLA website

Operating Policy – Proposed Motions

It was moved by Gord Cooper to make the following amendment:

REGULATION 1: MEMBERSHIP, 1.04 currently reads:

1.04 All members of the BCLCG are entitled to:

- Insurance coverage as per Section 6 of the BCLA General Operating Policy.
- Voting privileges at the BCLCG Special Session.
- ~~Online Newsletters (TBA).~~
- All applicable coaching material and upcoming training opportunities.

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The motion was adopted.

It was moved by Rob Arden to make the following amendment:

REGULATION 1: MEMBERSHIP, 1.05 currently reads:

1.05 All minor associations (box and field) will be represented by a Coaching Co-ordinator or delegate who shall attend each scheduled minor coaches meetings. Failure to attend such scheduled meeting will result in a fine. ~~For zones outside of the Lower Mainland (exceeding 6 hours driving time), they may be represented at the scheduled coaches meetings by the BCLCG minor zone or field league representative.~~

Fine Guidelines as follows:

1st meeting missed \$25.00

2nd meeting missed \$35.00

3rd meeting missed \$60.00

Additional Meetings missed \$60.00

Special Session missed \$100.00 fine

NOTE: This is per BCLA fiscal year. Any fines not paid could result in an association being declared “not in good standing”.

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Meetings can now be run online, via Zoom/Teams.

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The motion was adopted.

It was moved by Rob Arden to make the following amendment:

REGULATION 11: COACHES CERTIFICATION, 11.01 (b) (i) currently reads:

11.01 (b) (i) Completed Form 100B's for Minor Team Coaches Lacrosse complete with payment must be received by the BCLA Office prior to 4:00 PM on May 1 of each playing year. Associations failing to meet this deadline will be notified the first working day following the deadline submission. The BCLA Office shall notify the following positions and personnel: Association President, Association Coaching Co-ordinator, Zone Coaching Coordinator, Minor Directorate Chair and the BCLCG Vice Chair – Minor, by fax, phone or other electronic means of the delinquent associations.

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The motion was adopted.

It was moved by Rob Arden to make the following amendment:

REGULATION 11: COACHES CERTIFICATION, 11.01 (b) (iii) currently reads:

11.01 (b) (iii) Forms must be reviewed to ensure all coaches have met the minimum standards outlined on the Form 100B five working days following the deadline date of May 1st. The BCLA office and the BCLCG V-P of **Minors** will conduct this verification.

Delinquent lists will be forwarded to the presidents and coaching co-ordinators of all associations, the Chair of the Minor Directorate, BCLCG Chair, BCLCG VP Minor.

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The motion was adopted.

It was moved by Rob Arden to make the following amendment:

REGULATION 11: COACHES CERTIFICATION, 11.03 (b) (i) currently reads:

11.03 (b) (i) Completed Form 100M/W's for team coaches registered in the Field Directorate complete with payment must be received by the BCLA Office on or before 4:00 PM on May 1 for Senior Women's Field and October 1 for Men's/Youth and Women's Field each playing year as indicated in BCLCG Regulation 1.02 (a). The BCLA Office shall inform the Field Directorate Chair, League Commissioners, Club/Team/Association Presidents, BCLCG Chair and Vice Chair – Field no later than the first working day after the deadline date by fax, phone or any other electronic means of the delinquent clubs/teams.

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The motion was adopted.

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Delinquent lists will be forwarded to the Presidents of the Club/Team/Association, Field Directorate Chair, applicable Commissioner, BCLCG Chair and Vice Chair – Field.

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The motion was adopted.

It was moved by Rob Arden to make the following amendment:

REGULATION 11: COACHES CERTIFICATION, 11.03 (c) currently reads:

11.03 (c) The minimum standard outlined on the current Form 100's must be met by the deadline date for the submission of the form in the playing year immediately following the year training was obtained and the "Trained" standard was awarded. Competitive Introduction Coaches must be trained within sixty (60) days of taking the course. Coaches failing to complete all required evaluations to reach their respective minimum standard will appear on a suspension list.

Delinquent lists will be forwarded to the Presidents of the Club/Team/Association, Field Directorate Chair, applicable Commissioner, BCLCG Chair and Vice Chair – Field.

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Delinquent lists will be forwarded to the Presidents of the Club/Team/Association, Field Directorate Chair, applicable Commissioner, BCLCG Chair, Vice Chair – Field and Vice Chair – Women's Field.

The motion was adopted.

It was moved by Rob Arden to make the following amendment:

REGULATION 11: COACHES CERTIFICATION, 11.04 (a) currently reads:

11.04 (a) Head coaches of teams registered with the Minor Directorate are responsible for all bench personnel. This includes conduct and their respective minimum standard of training or certification if applicable.

Amend REGULATION 11: COACHES CERTIFICATION, 11.04 (a) that would read:

11.04 (a) Head coaches of teams registered with the Minor Directorate, Senior Directorate and Field Directorate are responsible for all bench/field personnel. This includes conduct and their respective minimum standard of training or certification if applicable.

The motion was adopted.

It was moved by Rob Arden to make the following amendment:

REGULATION 11: COACHES CERTIFICATION, 11.04 (d) currently reads:

11.04 (d) All bench personnel must appear on the Form 100B.

Amend REGULATION 11: COACHES CERTIFICATION, 11.04 (d) that would read:

11.04 (d) All bench personnel must appear on the Form 100B, Form 100M or Form 100W depending on the discipline.

The motion was adopted.

It was moved by Rob Arden to make the following amendment:

REGULATION 11: COACHES CERTIFICATION, 11.06 currently reads:

11.06 The BCLCG with the assistance of the BCLA Technical Director will be responsible for the Coaching Development program which includes, Training, Certification, Evaluation of Coaches, Recruitment, training and evaluation of Facilitators and all Coaching development programs and projects"

The BCLCG with the assistance of the Technical Director shall be responsible for ensuring all deadlines are adhered to and that delinquent Coaches, assistant coaches ~~or-door personnel~~ are placed on a "Suspension" list and passed to the correct administrative body for immediate action.

Amend REGULATION 11: COACHES CERTIFICATION, 11.06 that would read:

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The motion was adopted.

It was moved by Rob Arden to make the following amendment:

REGULATION 13: AMENDMENTS, 13 OTHER currently reads:

OTHER (passed at the BCLCG 2014 Special Session): When an Association registers a coach for a certification clinic, and the said coach does not attend the coaching clinic, the BCLA has the right to recover ~~the cost of the access code from the coach's association.~~

Amend REGULATION 13: AMENDMENTS, 13 OTHER that would read:

OTHER: When an Association registers a coach for a certification clinic, and the said coach does not attend the coaching clinic, the BCLA has the right to recover **any costs.**

The motion was adopted.

It was moved by Mike O'Connor to make the following amendment:

REGULATION 5: CONDUCT, 5.06 currently reads:

5.06 The suspension is to be served with the team the coach is currently registered with on a Form 100 ~~where the suspension happened~~ and carries over throughout the discipline (i.e., minor box, senior box, youth field and senior field), unless the consequence of 5.07 is applicable.

Amend REGULATION 5: CONDUCT, 5.06 that would read:

5.06 The suspension is to be served with the team the coach is currently registered with on a Form 100 and carries over throughout the discipline (i.e., minor box, senior box, youth field and senior field), unless the consequence of 5.07 is applicable. **Or the season ends prior to the full suspension being served, in such a case the coach must serve the remained of the suspension the following season regardless of which team they are coaching. If they are coaching more than one team, the coach must indicate which team they will serve the suspension with. i.e. Coach has a U13 and U15 team, they must select which team they will serve remainder of suspension with, they cannot split remaining suspensions over two teams.**

The motion was adopted.

It was moved by Mike O'Connor to make the following amendment:

REGULATION 7: BENCH RULES, 7.03 (a) 1) currently reads:

7.03 (a) All bench personnel must meet the following requirements to participate in any BCLA sanctioned games.

1) All Coaches must have successfully completed ~~the minimum requirements~~ outlined in the current Form 100B, Form 100M and/or Form 100W in the division of which they participate, by the deadline set by the BCLCG (May 15 – Senior Box; May 1 – Minor Box/Senior Women's Field; October 1 - Field).

Amend REGULATION 7: BENCH RULES, 7.03 (a) 1) that would read:

7.03 (a) All bench personnel must meet the following requirements to participate in any BCLA sanctioned games.

1) All Coaches must have completed the required online modules with the agreement of completing a course during the season if needed, as outlined in the current Form 100B, Form 100M and/or Form 100W in the division of which they participate, by the deadline set by the BCLCG (May 15 – Senior Box; May 1 – Minor Box/Senior Women’s Field; October 1 - Field).

The motion was adopted.

It was moved by Shawn Donahue to make the following amendment:

~~REGULATION 9: PROVINCIAL TEAMS, 9 that currently reads:~~

~~9.01 The Team BC Committee will be comprised of the BCLA Vice President—Performance Programs, BCLA Vice President—Operations, the BCLCG Chair, the BCLCG Vice Chair—Minor, the BCLCG Vice Chair—Field, BCLOG Vice Chair—Minor, BCLOG Vice Chair—Field, BCLA Technical Director, BCLA~~

~~Regional Coaches, the Minor Directorate Chair and the Field Directorate Chair.~~

~~9.02 Regional Coaches are directly responsible to the BCLA Technical Director, and shall liaise with the~~

~~Team BC Committee to:~~

~~(a) Recruit, and where necessary, provide training for coaching staff for all BC Provincial Team Programs.~~

~~(b) Set the schedules and obtain facilities required for all evaluation and selection camps.~~

~~(c) Ensure the Zone Co-ordinators are provided with all technical support required to meet all Directorate requirements outlined in the Minor and Field Directorate Operating Policies.~~

~~(d) Ensure that coaches possess the minimum requirements outlined on the applicable Form 100; that coaches are not on the current suspension list; and that coaches possess excellent conduct and ethical records.~~

~~(e) Put in place the procedures for selection of the coaching staff required for all Provincial Team programs.~~

~~9.03 The Team BC Committee shall appoint a person called the Team BC Technical Co-ordinator who will be responsible for the technical support required to operate the BCLA Provincial Programs. This technical support shall include:~~

~~–Recruitment of coaches, athletes and qualified bench personnel~~

~~–Selection and evaluation of athletes, coaches and bench personnel~~

~~–Administrative support as it pertains to the technical support provided~~

~~–Responsible to liaise with the Team BC Committee in setting dates and sites for all program required camps.~~

~~9.04 The Team BC Technical Co-ordinator will liaise directly with the respective Directorate responsible for their respective Provincial Team programs to ensure that all technical support requirements are met. This includes assisting the Directorate with all administrative tasks as they pertain to the technical support.~~

~~9.05 The Team BC Technical Co-ordinator is responsible to provide a written report to the Team BC Committee at each BCLCG Special Session and respective Directorate Special Sessions (Field, Box).~~

The motion was adopted.

Election of Officers

Secretary (2-year term)

Open

Vice-Chair – Senior Box (2-year term)

Dan Chetner by acclimation

Vice-Chair – Men's Field Lacrosse (2-year term)

Mike Newton by acclimation

New Business

We're always looking to improve ways of scheduling courses and adding more facilitators in outlying areas.

The meeting adjourned at 8:21 pm.

Mike Newton

BCLCG Secretary