



**Minutes of the
2015 BCLA Annual General Meeting
Saturday, October 17, 2015
Whistler Conference Centre, Whistler, BC**

1. Welcome/Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 1:06 PM with President Sohen Gill presiding. Sohen introduced the BCLA Executive and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Approval of Minutes of the October 18, 2014 Annual General Meeting. *It was moved by Brad Hara, seconded by Terry Foulds that the minutes of the B.C. Lacrosse Association 2014 Annual General Meeting be adopted as circulated. CARRIED*

3. Business Arising from Previous Minutes. None

4. 2015-2020 BCLA Strategic Plan. Drew Mitchell, Facilitator presented the new plan to the members.

Sohen Gill introduced AJ Johma, CLA Director – National Championships to the membership.

5. Executive Reports - All reports contained in the 2015 BCLA Annual Report.

a) President and CLA Report: Sohen Gill

b) Treasurer: David Soul

It was moved by Joe Wong, seconded by Dave Wilkie to accept the 2015 BCLA Financial Report and all Financial Information as circulated in the Annual Report. CARRIED.

c) Secretary: Myrna Cable

d) Vice President - Administration: Don Scott

e) Vice President - Operations: Greg Toll

f) Vice President - Performance Programs: Ron McQuarrie

g) Vice President - Development: Terry Mosdell

h) Director at Large: David Jenkins

i) Executive Director: Rochelle Winterton

It was moved by Tracy Marriott, seconded by Harold Corbett to accept all reports as circulated in the Annual Report. CARRIED

6. Directorate/Technical Support Group Reports:

a) Senior Directorate (Harold Corbett) – Elections were held and the following positions were filled for a 2 year term: Vice Chair Seniors: Bridget Hughes, Secretary: Judy Regier. Harold reported that the meetings went well.

b) Minor Directorate (Angie Schwan) – Elections were held and the following positions were filled for a 2 year term: Vice Chair Minor: Pam Mason, Vice Chair Female Box: Gord McIntosh. Angie reported that the meetings went well. An addition of a Female Box Co-ordinator has been added to Executive at the Commission level and was approved.

c) Field Directorate (Dirk Rachfall) - as circulated in the 2015 Annual Report. Their Special Session was held in April. Elections were held and the following positions were filled: Vice Chair Men's Field 2 year term – Mary Clare, Vice Chair Youth Field 2 year term – Beth McLucas, Secretary 1 year term – Tricia Rachfall by acclamation. Dirk thanked Rick Higgs, Andrea Jones, Toni Lowe,

Wes Landels, Barb Calve and Tyson Leies for the time and effort they offered while on the Directorate. He welcomed Karen Blake, Glen Bzowy, Kenneth Gallinger, Tammy McDougal, Beth McLucas, Mary Clare and Tricia Rachfall. Dirk reported a major change has been approved to the age divisions; as a result, the U18's have doubled in the number of teams. For U15's, they have implemented a Regional team program to expose more players to varied competition, travel and coaching. For U11's, following the LTAD we are hosting a province wide tournament, open to all U11 teams, no qualification required. In Men's, there has been an increase in the number of teams on the Lower Mainland and some teams have been established on Vancouver Island. In Women's, the number of U12 and U15 teams have doubled in the Lower Mainland and for the first time there are teams on Vancouver Island.

d) BC Lacrosse Coaches Technical Support Group: (Russ Sheppard) - as circulated in the 2015 Annual Report. Their Special Session was held September 12, 2015. Elections were held and the following positions were filled for 2 year terms: Chair: Russ Sheppard, Vice Chair Senior Box: Kelly Scott, Vice Chair Minor Box: Rob Arden, Vice Chair Field: Glen Bzowy, Vice Chair Women's Field: Karen Blake, Secretary: Dan Wray.

e) BC Lacrosse Officials Technical Support Group: (Lee Brien) - as circulated in the 2015 Annual Report. Their Special Session was held September 12, 2015. Elections were held and the following positions were filled for 2 year terms: Chair: Lee Brien, Vice Chair Women's Field: Vacant, Secretary: Andrew Corbould

7. Credentials Report: Myrna Cable

There were 340 possible votes and there were 234 voting delegates attending this AGM. The breakdown is as follows:

Executive	8	out of a possible	9
Coaches	6	out of a possible	14
Officials	12	out of a possible	22
Seniors	68	out of a possible	99
Minors	109	out of a possible	128
Field	31	out of a possible	62
Vol Tech	0	out of a possible	6
Total	234	out of a possible	340

*It was moved by Brian Corbett, seconded by Jim Ross to accept all reports as circulated.
CARRIED*

8. Proposed Amendments

BCLA Constitution and By-Laws

It was moved by Brian Corbett, seconded by Brad Hara that the Treasurer position be removed and change the VP Administration title in BY-LAW NUMBER V: OFFICERS, 1. that would read:

- The officers of the Association shall be:
 - President
 - Immediate Past President
 - Vice President Performance Programs

Vice President Development
Vice President Operations
Vice President Administration and Finance
Vice President Technical Programs
Secretary
Director at Large

CARRIED

It was moved by Ed Moffat, seconded by Joe Wong that BY-LAW NUMBER V: OFFICERS, 1 be amended to read:

Amend BY-LAW NUMBER V: OFFICERS, 1. that would read:

3. The President, Vice President Development, Vice President Technical Programs and the Vice President **Administration and Finance** shall be elected for two year terms in even-numbered years. The Vice President Operations, Vice President Performance Programs, and the Secretary shall be elected to two year terms in odd-numbered years. The Director at Large will be elected annually for a one-year term. The term of the Immediate Past President will be limited to two years.

CARRIED

It was moved by Harold Corbett, seconded by Dave Wilkie that BY-LAW NUMBER V: OFFICERS, 5 be amended to read:

3. The President, Vice President Development, Vice President Technical Programs and the Vice President Planning/Administration shall be elected for two year terms in even-numbered years. The Vice President Operations, Vice President Performance Programs, the Secretary **and the Director at Large** shall be elected to two year terms in odd-numbered years. The term of the Immediate Past President will be limited to two years.

CARRIED

It was moved by Tracy Marriott, seconded by Lisa Scott that BY-LAW NUMBER VI: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, 6 be amended to read:

6. **The Vice President Administration and Finance** – responsible for overseeing office, membership services, maintaining Operating Policy and Constitution, short and long term planning. **Also responsible for providing oversight and counsel for all of the financial practices of the organization; to ensure that the financial records of the Association are audited by an auditor appointed by the Executive; and to ensure that a report, which includes a budget for the coming year, is provided at every Annual Meeting of the Association.**

CARRIED

It was moved by Linda Cretney, seconded by Rod Wood to remove BY-LAW NUMBER VI: DUTIES OF OFFICERS, 8 in its entirety:

8. **The Treasurer – it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all monies paid into the Association and to deposit the same in a bank designated by the Executive; to present all bills**

or claims against the Association to the Executive and see the same are promptly paid; to collect all dues, fees or monies owing to the Association and to give receipts therefore; to keep an accurate record of all monies received and disbursed; to have the books of the Association audited by an auditor appointed by the Executive; and to make a report, which includes a budget for the coming year, at every Annual Meeting of the Association; and to perform such other duties as may be designated by the Executive.

CARRIED

It was moved by Sean Walmsley, seconded by Paul Rowbotham that BY-LAW NUMBER VIII: THE EXECUTIVE, 4 be amended to read:

4. Deeds, transfers, licenses, contracts and engagements on behalf of the Association shall be signed by either the Secretary or the **Vice President – Administration and Finance**, and the Seal of the Association shall be affixed to such documents as require the same in the presence of either the President or a Vice President, and by either the Secretary or the **Vice President – Administration and Finance**.

CARRIED

It was moved by Tracy Marriott, seconded by Janel Coakley to make the following changes to the BCLA CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS:

That all references to the Vice President Administration/Planning be changed to Vice President Administration and Finance.

CARRIED

It was moved by Doug Wright, seconded by Dave Goulet that BY-LAW NUMBER X: DIRECTORATES/TECHNICAL SUPPORT GROUPS, 5 be amended to read:

5. (a) The BCLOTSG executive shall consist of the Chair, the Secretary, Immediate Past Chair, **Director at Large** and four vice chairmen representing Minor Box lacrosse, Senior Box lacrosse, Women's lacrosse and Men's Field lacrosse.

CARRIED

It was moved by Doug Wright, seconded by Linda Cretney that BY-LAW NUMBER X: DIRECTORATES/TECHNICAL SUPPORT GROUPS, 5. (6) be amended to read:

- (g) The BCLOTSG Vice Chair and Secretary positions shall be elected by secret ballot at the Special Session, for two-year terms. **The Directorate at Large shall be elected for a one-year term.** The Vice Chairs for Minor, Senior and Field will be elected in even numbered years. The Vice Chair Women's Field and Secretary will be elected in odd numbered years. In the event that there is but a single nominee for the office, the Secretary shall cast one vote for such nominee. Should the positions not be filled at the Special Session, it will be the duty of the BCLOTSG Chair to recruit and appoint a member to the open positions.

CARRIED

It was moved by Doug Wright, seconded by Tracy Marriott that BY-LAW NUMBER X: DIRECTORATES/TECHNICAL SUPPORT GROUPS, 5. (h) be amended to read:

- (h) The voting delegates selected to attend the Association's Annual General Meeting shall be appointed by the BC Lacrosse Officials Technical Support Group Executive (consisting of the Chair, Secretary and Vice Chairs, **Immediate Past Chair and Director at Large**). At the Association's Annual General Meeting, referees may seat an accredited delegate for every Minor District Commission, plus accredited delegates for Senior referees as follows:

Up to 8 delegates for the BCLOTSG Executive Committee

1 delegate for each active minor zone (i.e., up to 8 delegates)

2 delegates for Lower Mainland Senior

1 delegate for Island Senior

1 delegate for Southern Interior Senior

1 delegate for Northern Interior Senior

1 delegate for Island Field

1 delegate for Lower Mainland Field

All members must be in good standing.

CARRIED

BCLA General Operating Policy

It was moved by Scott Brown, seconded by Harold Corbett that REGULATION 3, FINANCING is amended to read:

- 3.01 The signing officers of the Association shall be the President, **the Vice President – Administration and Finance**, Executive Director, Secretary and one other executive member as designated by the executive. All financial transactions shall be signed by two of the signing officers, one of whom should be the **Vice President – Administration and Finance** or the President.
- 3.02 At a meeting prior to the Annual Meeting, the Executive shall appoint a Budget Committee which shall have representation from the Directorates and be chaired by the **Vice President – Administration and Finance**.
- 3.03 The Budget Committee shall prepare a budget for the Administrative and Service functions of the Association and shall assist the Directorates in preparing budgets for Programs and Development for the coming year.
- 3.04 Based upon the budgets prepared, the **Vice President – Administration and Finance** shall recommend to the Annual Meeting the registration fees required for the coming year as outlined in **Appendix B: BC Lacrosse Registration Fees**.
- 3.05 Any changes in registration fees must be made by a resolution in accordance with By-Law XX, Section 3.
- 3.06 Any financial sponsorship secured by the BCLA shall not determine the location(s) of any Minor Provincials.

CARRIED

It was moved by Judy Regier, seconded by Nadia Olheiser that REGULATION 4. EXPENSES be amended to read:

Amend REGULATION 4. EXPENSES currently reads:

- 4.01 Payment of expenses other than travel outlined below shall only be made on the authority of a purchase order issued by the **Vice President – Administration and Finance** prior to incurring the expense.
- 4.02 To facilitate the general operation of the Association, the **Vice President – Administration and Finance** may issue a general order to cover certain expenses specifically provided for as budgetary items.

CARRIED

It was moved by James Lego, seconded by Doug Wright that REGULATION 5. TRAVEL be amended to read:

- 5.01 (v) In exceptional circumstances, actual costs incurred over the allowed amounts may be paid at the discretion of the **Vice President – Administration and Finance**.

CARRIED

It was moved by Bridget Hughes, seconded by Sean Walmsley that APPENDIX A: BCLA APPEALS PROCESS, 5. be amended to read:

Withdrawal or settlement of application

5. The applicant must inform the Appeal Board if all or part of the issue has been settled. Upon receipt of settlement the Appeal Board must inform all parties that the application **has been altered or withdrawn**.

It was moved by Greg Toll, seconded by Bridget Hughes that APPENDIX A: BCLA APPEALS PROCESS, 6 be amended to read:

Service of documents

6. The applicant must provide to the BCLA **Office** written notice by fax, email and/or mail no later than seventy-two (72) hours **after receipt of the Appeal Committee's decision**. If notice is provided by fax and/or email, the payment in the amount of \$250.00 must be received by BCLA **Office** within seventy-two (72) hours of the **initial** written notice.

It was moved by Greg Toll, seconded by Bridget Hughes to amend the proposed policy change APPENDIX A: BCLA APPEALS PROCESS, 6 to read

Service of documents

7. The applicant must provide to the BCLA **Office** written notice by fax, email and/or mail no later than seventy-two (72) hours **after receipt of the decision**. If notice is provided by fax and/or email, the payment in the amount of \$250.00 must be received by BCLA **Office** within seventy-two (72) hours of the **initial** written notice.

AMENDMENT CARRIED.

AMENDED MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Bridget Hughes, seconded by Greg Toll that APPENDIX A: BCLA APPEALS PROCESS, 18 be amended to read:

Summary Dismissal

18. At any time once an application has been filed, the **Chair, Vice President – Administration, Senior and/or Minor Directorate Chair** may dismiss all or part of it if the Appeal Board determines that:
- a) the application is not within the jurisdiction of the board;
 - b) the application was not filed within the applicable time limit; and
 - c) the application was made in bad faith or filed for an improper purpose or motive.

It was moved by Bridget Hughes, seconded by Ed Moffat to amend the proposed policy change APPENDIX A: BCLA APPEALS PROCESS, 18 to read:

Summary Dismissal

18. At any time once an application has been filed, the **Chair, Vice President – Administration, Senior, Minor Directorate Chair and/or Field Directorate** may dismiss all or part of it if the Appeal Board determines that:
- d) the application is not within the jurisdiction of the board;
 - e) the application was not filed within the applicable time limit; and
 - f) the application was made in bad faith or filed for an improper purpose or motive.

**AMENDMENT CARRIED
AMENDED MOTION CARRIED**

It was moved by Angie Schwan, seconded by Ron McQuarrie that APPENDIX B: 2015-2016 FEE SCHEDULE be amended to read:

That, for the 2016 Box Lacrosse season and the 2016-2017 Field Lacrosse season, the BCLA player registration fees be increased by \$2.00 in each division as follows:

APPENDIX B: 2015-2016 FEE SCHEDULE

SENIOR AND MINOR BOX LACROSSE PLAYER REGISTRATION – 2016 Season

	TEAM FEE	INSURANCE	REGISTRATION
Senior A	\$250	\$385	\$55/Player
Senior B	\$150	\$385	\$55
Senior C	\$150	\$385	Year 1 \$15 Year 2 \$25 Year 3 \$55
Junior A	\$150	\$220	\$51
Junior B	\$100	\$220	\$51
Juvenile	\$100	\$220	\$29
Intermediate A	\$100	\$176	\$47
Intermediate B	\$100	\$176	\$47
Midget/Junior (Minor/Female)			\$45
Bantam (Minor/Female)			\$45
PeeWee (Minor/Female)			\$45
Novice (Minor/Female)			\$44
Tyke			\$44
Mini-Tyke			\$41
Female Box Lacrosse Recreational			\$15
Minor Box (First year associations)			\$15
Minor Box (Second year associations)			\$25

FIELD LACROSSE PLAYER REGISTRATION – 2016-2017 Season

	REGISTRATION
	<u>2016-2017</u>
Senior	\$51
Youth	\$46
Girls Field Lacrosse (House League – U19 and Below)	\$15
Youth Field/Girls Field (first year associations)	\$15
Youth Field/Girls Field (second year associations)	\$25

CARRIED

9. Election of Officers:**Election of Officers by position:**

1. Vice President – Operations (2 year term) Greg Toll by acclamation. Secretary will cast one vote.
2. Vice President – Technical Programs (1 year term) Dennis Quigley by acclamation. Secretary will cast one vote.
3. Vice President – Performance Programs (2 year term)
 - Ron McQuarrie nominated from Nomination Committee
 - Tyson Leies from the floorBallots were issued; Tyson Leies was elected.
4. Secretary (2 year term) Myrna Cable by acclamation. Secretary will cast one vote.
5. Treasurer position was not elected as per prior policy changes.
6. Director at Large (2 year term) David Jenkins by acclamation. Secretary will cast a vote.

It was moved by Dave Bailuck, seconded by Stacey Hemmerling to destroy the ballots.
CARRIED

10. New Business:

- Terry Mosdell provided information regarding the 2016 Americas Masters Games will be held in Vancouver, August 27-September 4, 2016. Masters Field Lacrosse will be part of the event. For more information contact Terry Mosdell or Greg Toll.

11. **Adjournment:** *It was moved by Greg Toll to adjourn the meeting.* The meeting adjourned at 2:20 PM.