

**Vancouver Island Minor Field Lacrosse Commission**

**General Meeting Sunday January 11, 2009**

**Ladysmith Recreational Centre 5:00PM**

**Attendees:**

Sam Hofer	Island Chair		
Rick Higgs	vice Chair/U-14 Commissioner/Pac Rim		
Tammy McDougall	Secretary/Nanaimo		
Brande Terris	Treasurer		
Baron Frech	Head Coach/Nanaimo		
Paula West-Patrick	Register/Pac Rim		
Stan Bates	U-12 Commissioner/Vic-Field		
Peter Moskovicz	U-10 Commissioner/Mid-Island		
Barb Calve	Field Directorate	Tyson Leies	Pac Rim President
Debbie Cawthorne	Nanaimo	Chris Jackson	Pac Rim
Gord Cawthorne	Nanaimo	Rob Cook	Vic-Field
Tracy Mason	North Island	Keith Hagedorn	Vic-Field
Leanne Wilson	North Island		

**Call Meeting to Order:** 5:10PM Sam Hofer

**Adoption of Previous Minutes:** Rob Cook, Brande Terris, **M/S/C**

**Addition and Adoption of Agenda:** Brande Terris, Paula West-Patrick **M/S/C**

**Business arising from the minutes** (old minutes): None

**Correspondence:** none

**Financial Report:** Brande Terris

Received payments from just about everyone, there is still a few cheques that haven't been cashed. A few associations have sent in bills for their new refs, Motion to pay bills and CBO costs, Paula West-Patrick, Rick Higgs M/S/C \$3474.29 in bank

**Head Coach:** Baron Frech: No Report, all is going well, make sure all Associations have sent in their form 100's

**Head Official:** Wilson Louie, absent, sent in report via Rob Cook. Refs showing up not properly dressed or have all the proper equipment

Motion to cancel the \$50.00 per new ref and implement the Island to supply, hat whistle, 2 flags and scorecard to new refs, Rob Cook, Tyson Leies, **M/S/C**

**Commissioners Reports:**

U-10 Peter Moskovicz-went pretty well. Would recommend jamboree style, some teams didn't have enough players at times

U-12 Stan Bates-went well until play-offs. Tier 1 haven't finished play-offs, both teams will go. Tier 2 Nanaimo and Campbell River are going to Provincials. In the Future would like to see one parent from each team doing the score keeping and time keeping

U-14 Rick Higgs- Season started Sept 21-08 December 7<sup>th</sup> ended the tier 2's, December 14-08 ended the tier 1's. Tournaments interfered in the schedule. Rick felt the quality of play was jeopardized in order to get the games in. Nanaimo & Mid-Island are going for the tier 2's. Victoria & Pac-Rim are going for the Tier 1's.

U-16 Dan Linnen-Absent

U-19 Dan Linnen-Absent

**Association Reports**

**Mid-Island**

U-14's going to provincials, last month sent out e-mail offering 10% discount if registered early. Trying for a U-10, U-12, & U-14 teams for next season.

**Nanaimo-**

Sending 3 teams to the Provincials, would like to see the U-16's & 19's play on different days, feels that is the only way we can keep a team going. Will be trying

next season to get time on the artificial turf on a week night for the U-19's to play their games, working on next season's registration

### **North Island**

During discussion on schedules I would like to put forward that the NIFL U19 team would like to play a couple of Island U16 teams to prepare for provincials. We are available starting the Jan. 24th weekend but we need to give our players lots of notice (2 weeks) for games due to work schedules and commitments. Pac Rim U16 seems keen to play us and I have asked them to meet us in Nanaimo and am waiting for a response. (I can book a field through the city of Nanaimo on most Sat., need ref support). We have travelled for most of our games, our last home game was Oct. 4th (3 months ago!) and we haven't played since mid November so we need a couple of games and appreciate the islands support. In addition: North Island is happy that we have been able to hold together a U19 team in this challenging age group and season with a lack of games and only 2 teams on the island. It has been difficult. For future seasons, planning is needed to see how we can retain and continue to provide this age group of players the opportunity to play field lacrosse on the island.

### **Oceanside-Absent**

#### **Pac Rim,**

All was good; U-10 season went well. U-14 tier 1 team still needs to play their last game. Four teams going to Provincials, U-16 tier 1's went to the Seattle Tournament and won silver. Christmas jamboree was cancelled. Refs not happy, too many coaches yelling at them. Bought 125 new jerseys, sponsorship program went well. Waiting for fields to open up again.

#### **Vic Field-**

U-10 went well, huge success, U-12 tier 1, U-14 tier 1 U-16 tier 2 & U-19 tier 2 all going to Provincials

### **New Business:**

A couple of teams still need to complete the play-offs; it is up to teams to schedule games between now and provincials.

Trophy's, Kathy Cook has priced up a couple of different ones, Tyson will look into prices for a cup style, Kathy will also look into prices from different suppliers, Tyson will also look into sponsorship for the trophies, to see if we can get business to buy the trophies.

Website, approx. 3500 hits per year with in B.C looking for a new program to be able to update the news, a company in Victoria willing to do the updates, Tyson will look into prices.

Korea, BCLA is looking for a coach to take a U-19 team to Korea for a tournament, anyone interested, please contact BCLA.

Pac Rim is not happy with the way the U-16 tier 2 play-offs went. They feel that their team didn't get a fair chance. They have gone to BCLA regarding this. Island has stated that everyone knew when play-offs were going to happen; Pac Rim feels the commissioner screwed up. Commissioner was absence during discussion. Complaint has gone to BCLA, they will rule on what the outcome will be.

**Meeting Adjourned** 7:35pm, Sam Hofer, Tammy McDougall

**Next Meeting:** TBA