



Minutes of the Ontario Lacrosse Association
Board of Directors Meeting – December 11, 2008

Attendance

John Doherty	President
Chuck Miller	Past President
Terry Lloyd	V.P. Field
Doug Luey	V.P. Major
Rick Phillips	V.P. Coaching
Marion Ladouceur	V.P. Minor
Kevin MacPherson	V.P. Officiating
Mary Sticca	V.P. Promotion
Wendy Cuthbert	V.P. Development
Stan Cockerton	Executive Director
Ron MacSpadyen	Marketing Director
Tyler Dalton	Promotions Director

Regrets

Chris Driscoll	Technical Director
George MacDonald	V.P. Finance

Previous Minutes

MOTION (Phillips, Ladouceur)

“To approve the minutes dated October 8th, 2008 of the Board of Directors Meeting as presented”

CARRIED

VP Major Report

1. Orillia Junior A and Barrie Junior B Transfer

MOTION (Luey, MacPherson)

“To approve the transfer of the Orillia Junior A club to Barrie and the Barrie Junior B club to Orillia pending Junior B approval”

CARRIED

2. Goal Nets

Doug Luey asked if there are any manufacturers that currently make nets that adhere to the standards coming in 2012. Many teams need to purchase new nets and would like to avoid buying them twice. Ron mentioned a few places that are making them now.

3. Major Series and Senior B Player Agreement

Doug told the Board that there is an agreement in place between both leagues. The only thing left is for Jim Brady to sign it.

4. Junior C

Doug told the Board that Kingston, Clarington and Toronto Stars all applied for teams. Only Kingston and Clarington were accepted by the league. Whitby has two separate groups putting in applications for a team as well. Doug was advised by the group that they become one group or no application be considered from Whitby. Also, Doug mentioned that there maybe a group of teams in Zone 5 that wish to play in Junior C as well. He said that after a meeting on Sunday he will know more about that situation.

5. Akwesasne Junior B

Doug mentioned a few things that have happened recently with the club and was looking for guidance on what to do next. Doug will have Dave Vernon ask whether or not their club will operate in 2009.

VP Development Report

1. Women's Box Lacrosse Operating Policy

Wendy Cuthbert showed the Board a copy of the Women's Box Lacrosse Operating Policy. It has been approved by the Women's council but still needs to be approved by the Board. Wendy said it can wait until January so everyone has a chance to look over it.

2. New Women's Box Commissioner

Wendy told the Board that Stephanie Simpson was elected the new Women's Box Commissioner.

MOTION (Cuthbert, Ladouceur)

"To approve the Zone 9 Referee Program as a pilot project for the 2009 season and will be reviewed next year"

CARRIED

3. Girls' Program

Wendy put forth a motion to make the Girls' Box Lacrosse Program fully operational.

MOTION (Cuthbert, Ladouceur)

"To make the Girls' Box Lacrosse Program fully operational"

TABLED

Motion was tabled and will be discussed further in January.

4. Team Ontario

It was discussed that all teams that play in National competitions and represent Ontario need to follow the same guidelines.

MOTION (Phillips, Lloyd)

"To create a uniform template for all provincial teams that represent Ontario to follow, which will be placed under the VP Development's portfolio"

CARRIED

5. Field Provincial Teams

MOTION (Lloyd, Phillips)

"That the 2009 Provincial Boys Field teams will be All-Star Teams"

CARRIED

Marketing Director Report

1. New Magazine

Ron MacSpadyen told the Board that most things are in place for the new Ontario Lacrosse magazine to start up in the New Year. He mentioned that it is a tough task to start. He showed the Board a list of things that they could help with for the magazine. First issue is scheduled to release around the same time as the Semi-Annual.

2. Minto Cup/Midget Nationals

Ron went over a few things with the Minto Cup and Midget Nationals. Right now Brampton needs a second floor to host both events together. The goal is to have Midget games on the main pad at Powerade Centre with the last game of the day being a Minto Cup game.

MOTION (Lloyd, MacPherson)

"For Chuck Miller to drive the Brampton Minto Cup committee to a decision on what will happen with the Midget Nationals and the extra floor needed for the event"

CARRIED

3. Festival Model

Ron went over the Festival Model with the Board. He discussed a couple of changes that have been made since the last meeting and why they were made. Wendy brought up a conflict of bantam provincials and nationals being scheduled at the same time. John suggested that Wendy, Ron and Marion get together to discuss if this issue can be resolved.

VP Officiating Report

1. MR 9.04

Kevin MacPherson put forth a motion that pertained to referees officiating in winter leagues. The change is so that referees will be certified to officiate in the winter leagues without having to wait for a referee clinic to be recertified in the new calendar year.

MOTION (MacPherson, Phillips)

“To change MR 9.04 to read as presented in attachment and to be brought forth as an amendment in November at the AGM”

CARRIED

VP Coaching Report

1. CLA Change to Coaching Program

Rick Phillips quickly highlighted a couple changes to the Coaching program that will be need to be in place for the 2009 season. Rick mentioned he would have more information on the subject at the January meetings.

MOTION (MacPherson, Phillips)

“To adjourn meeting”

CARRIED