



Minutes of the Ontario Lacrosse Association
Board of Directors Meeting – January 29, 2012

Attendance

John Doherty	President
Frank Lawrence	V.P. Officiating
Jim Bomhof	V.P. Major
George MacDonald	V.P. Finance
Rick Phillips	V.P. Coaching
Lynn Orth	V.P. Promotion
Joe Hiltz	V.P. Field
Marion Ladouceur	V.P. Minor
Stan Cockerton	Executive Director
Ron MacSpadyen	Marketing Director
Tyler Dalton	Promotions Director

Regrets

Chuck Miller	Past President
Don Edgerton	V.P. Development

President's Report

1. Previous Minutes

MOTION (Lawrence, MacDonald)

"To approve the minutes dated December 8, 2011 of the Board of Directors Meeting as amended"

CARRIED

VP Finance Report

1. Auditors

George MacDonald told the Board we received a letter from our auditors. It outlined a few minor issues they would like us to pay more attention to and correct in the future.

MOTION (MacDonald, Ladouceur)

"To accept the management letter from the auditors"

CARRIED

2. Outstanding Accounts

Stan Cockerton told the Board that we have clubs who still owe money. He asked Jim and Marion to follow up with these clubs and report back at the next meeting in February.

VP Junior to Major Report

1. Innisfil Jr C

Jim Bomhof told the Board that Innisfil Junior C would like to play half of their regular season games in Newmarket. They have a letter of support from Newmarket Junior B and this has been approved by the Junior C council.

MOTION (Bomhof, Lawrence)

"To approve half of Innisfil Junior C's 2012 regular season home games to be played in Newmarket"

CARRIED

2. Draft List

Jim mentioned the situation that came up with the Draft list at the Major Series draft. A few teams were missing from the list. Jim asked what the current procedure is. Peter would make a query in an Excel file and would print the list based on that. Currently no one double checks the list. The office will review what happened this year.

3. Commissioners Meeting

Jim mentioned that there will be a Commissioners meeting coming up at the end of the month. No date is set at the moment.

VP Minor Report

1. Coaching Certification for Paperweight

The Board discussed what the OLA standards for coaching certification should be for paperweight teams.

MOTION (Ladouceur, Phillips)

"That paperweight teams require one certified coach and one certified trainer on the bench"

CARRIED

2. Girls Box Committee

Marion told the Board that she would like to dissolve the Girls Box Committee. Once that is done she would like to appoint a liaison for Girls Box Lacrosse on the Minor Council. The committee is in support of this. The liaison would be a voting member of the Minor Council.

MOTION (Ladouceur, Orth)

"To dissolve the Girls Box Committee"

CARRIED

MOTION (Ladouceur, Bomhof)

"To approve the a new position on the Minor Council of Girls Box Liaison"

CARRIED

3. Women's Box Lacrosse League

Marion told the Board that the Women's Box league would like to be removed from pilot status. They would also like their Policy paper approved. Submitted with their policy was an amendment with regards to stick-checking. They also have a new team they are looking to have approved. They also have a provincial date to be approved.

MOTION (Ladouceur, Bomhof)

"To remove the Women's Box Lacrosse League from pilot status"

CARRIED

MOTION (Ladouceur, Bomhof)

"To allow the stick checking rule as outlined and that players must wear certified helmets, facemasks, gloves and arm pads"

CARRIED

MOTION (Hiltz, MacDonald)

"To approve the Women's Box Lacrosse League's policy paper as amended"

CARRIED

MOTION (Bomhof, Phillips)

"To approve the Women's Box Lacrosse League franchise Clarington Clovers"

CARRIED

MOTION (Orth, Hiltz)

"To approve the provincial date selected by the Women's Box Lacrosse League"

CARRIED

4. Money

The Board discussed what to do with the money the OLA gave to help Women's box lacrosse. The signing authorities for this account may need to be contacted.

MOTION (Ladouceur, Hiltz)

"To allow the Women's Box Lacrosse League to keep the \$1,000 from the OLA and distribute the other amounts back to where it came"

CARRIED

5. Huntsville

Marion gave the Board the back story to an incident that happened this past season in Huntsville. There was a hearing in September 2011 and they accepted their discipline. Because of this the City of Huntsville won't grant the same amount of floor time because of fewer tournaments. Huntsville's council had drastic turnover at their AGM. They are asking our Board to change their punishment.

MOTION (Phillips, Lawrence)

"To reinstate Huntsville's tournament dates"

CARRIED

Marion will notify Huntsville and copy Fiona.

6. AGM Hospitality

Marion asked Stan to follow up with Mary Sticca about the hospitality room at the AGM.

7. Team Ontario Applications

On behalf of Don Edgerton, Marion told the Board that no coaching applications have been received for Bantam Girls.

8. Quest for Gold Committee

MOTION (Ladouceur, Bomhof)

"To approve the Quest for Gold committee of Don Edgerton, Dave Vernon and Lynn Orth"

CARRIED

9. Team Ontario Coordinator

MOTION (Ladouceur, Bomhof)

"To approve Lisa Alton as the Team Ontario Coordinator under the supervision of Don Edgerton"

CARRIED

VP Field Report

1. Tyke Field

MOTION (Hiltz, Orth)

"To extend the pilot status of Tyke field lacrosse for one more year"

CARRIED

2. Team Ontario Refund

Joe Hiltz received an email from someone who said they were promised a refund from Team Ontario and haven't received it yet. He will forward the information on to George.

3. Field Nationals

Joe told the Board about the proposal he receive to host the 2012 Field Nationals. They have support from U19 Field and Minor Field.

MOTION (Hiltz, Orth)

"To accept the Oshawa Blue Knight's proposal to host the 2012 Field Nationals"

CARRIED

VP Coaching Report

1. Coaching Documents

Rick Phillips told the Board that he gave all of the updates to documents to Tyler. He will make the updates and send them to the Board to review.

2. Workbooks

Rick told the Board he would like to implement a late fee to Coaches who submit their workbooks after the December 31st deadline. If submitted in December or earlier there is no fee. In January the fee is \$50, in February \$75, March \$100, April \$125 and May \$150. There will be a 30 day grace period for this once it is announced. This information will get sent out to all of the coaches who attended clinics last year.

MOTION (Phillips, Ladouceur)

"To approve the late fee, as outlined, for coaching workbooks that are submitted after the deadline"

CARRIED

VP Officiating Report

1. Nationals

Frank told the Board that he would like to have Assistant RICs at the Nationals this year hosted in Ontario. This allows us to expose more referees who have interest in doing this in the future to experience it.

2. Arbiter

Frank told the Board that he and Chris have sent out the template for leagues to fill out for Arbiter to use for assigning referees. League commissioners will be responsible for double checking.

VP Promotion Report

1. Festival Volunteer Job Descriptions

Lynn Orth told Tyler she would be sending this document for him to post on the website.

New Business

1. Festival Model

Ron told the Board that the only change that needs to be made is moving the Girls Field lacrosse provincial back a day on the first weekend.

MOTION (Ladouceur, Bomhof)

"To approve the 2012 Festival Model as amended"

CARRIED

2. Whitby Online Registration

Ron told the Board that Whitby will be piloting an online registration program for 2012.

MOTION (Phillips, Ladouceur)

"To approve the Whitby online registration program for 2012 and to be reviewed at the end of the season"

CARRIED

3. Bylaws

Stan told the Board about 2 amendments that were passed at the 2010 AGM. Both amendments were to go the same spot in the OLA Bylaws and this was never caught. We would like to renumber the OLA Code of Conduct bylaw to B3.08.

MOTION (Ladouceur, Lawrence)

"To approve the renumber of the OLA Code of Conduct Bylaw to B3.08"

CARRIED

MOTION (Hiltz, Orth)

"To adjourn meeting"

CARRIED