



Minutes of the Ontario Lacrosse Association  
Board of Governors Meeting – September 17, 2006

**Attendance**

John Doherty	President
Chuck Miller	Past President
Marion Ladouceur	V.P. Minor
George MacDonald	V.P. Finance
Doug Luey	V.P. Major
Ann Rudge	V.P. Field / Senior Field
John Herd	V.P. Officiating
Wendy Cuthbert	V.P. Development
Kathy French	V.P. Promotion
Dean McLeod	Junior 'A'
Dave Vernon	Junior Field / Junior 'B'
Lynn Thomas	Women's Field
Brent McAuley	OLRA
Roy Ledoux	Zone 5 Director
Charlie Simpson	Zone 6
Leslie Kavanaugh	Zone 7 Director
Mary Sticca	Zone 9 Director
Daryl Haynes	Zone 10 Director
Stan Cockerton	Executive Director
Chris Driscoll	Technical Director
Tyler Dalton	Promotions Director

**Regrets**

Rick Phillips	V.P. Coaching
Jim Brady	Major
Mac Mason	Senior 'B'
Stu Finlayson	Zone 4 Director
Mike Lee	Zone 6 Director
Marlene MacDonald	Zone 8 Director
Trevor Small	Masters
Mark Gardonino	OLRA
Ron MacSpadyen	Program Director

## **President Report**

### **1. Hearings**

John Doherty announced to the Board of Governors that there will be hearings held on October 14th, 2006.

### **2. National Championships**

John heard good things from all of the national championships. He also informed the Board that Ontario had won Major, Senior 'B', Junior 'A' and Junior 'B' national championships in box.

### **MOTION (Miller, Ladouceur)**

*"To approve the minutes dated, June 18, 2006 of the Board of Governors meeting as presented"*

**CARRIED**

## **Executive Director Report**

### **1. Finances**

Stan Cockerton told the Board that we have received our grants and went over the how the grants are now on a three year cycle instead of the one year cycle. George MacDonald then went over the Balance Sheet.

### **2. AGM Reports**

Stan told the Board that any reports for the AGM need to be in the office in the next couple weeks.

### **3. Sam Rook**

Stan updated the Board on the latest with Sam Rook's legal fees. Sam had gone to Lloyd's of London and received around \$8,000 to pay towards his legal fees. That leaves a remainder of roughly \$12,000. There lacked sufficient detail in Sam's invoice to offer him any more money.

### **MOTION (McLeod, Ladouceur)**

*"For the OLA to do nothing further in regards to Sam Rook's outstanding legal fees until more detail on each invoice has been received by the office"*

**CARRIED**

### **AMENDMENT TO MOTION (MacDonald, Ladouceur)**

*"For the OLA to do nothing further in regards to Sam Rook's outstanding legal fees until more detail on each invoice has been received by the office within the next 14 days"*

**CARRIED**

Chuck Miller suggested that the new information that the office receives should be reviewed by the Board of Directors and that a final decision should come from the Board of Governors meeting at the AGM.

### **MOTION (Miller, Rudge)**

*"For the Board of Governors to make a final decision on the outstanding Sam Rook legal fees at the AGM meeting"*

**CARRIED**

#### **4. Cornwall Volunteer Lawsuit**

Stan informed the Board about another lawsuit on the horizon. The incident happened over a year ago, when OLA was insured by Lloyd's of London.

#### **Junior A Report**

##### **1. Minto Cup**

Dean McLeod reported that the Minto Cup was very successful this year. All games were well attended and it was also successful financially.

##### **2. Expansion**

Dean told the Board that he is holding a meeting in the next week with a group from Akwesasne who are looking to put a new team into Junior 'A'.

#### **Junior B Report**

##### **1. Season Wrap-up**

Dave Vernon told the Board about another good season in Junior B. He noted that the Founders tournament was well run by Doug Luey. He also mentioned that he would be contributing to the Referee Development Committee with some suggestions of improvements.

##### **2. Tampering**

Dave informed the Board that he has been finding cases of tampering early in this off season. Junior 'A' Commissioner Dean McLeod is going to notify all teams of the proper procedures in how to recruit players. Dave will wait for Dean to notify the Junior 'A' teams before he starts to bring cases of tampering forth.

#### **Senior Field Report**

##### **1. New Commissioner**

Ann Rudge notified the Board that Daryl Haynes has decided to step down as commissioner this year and that she will be taking over until a replacement is found.

#### **Junior Field Report**

##### **1. Commissioner**

Dave Vernon announced that he is resigning as Junior Field Commissioner. Ann Rudge will take over until a replacement can be found.

##### **2. Team changes**

Dave told the Board that Innisfil had unfortunately folded and that Newmarket will replace them in the schedule.

##### **3. Hearing Notification**

Dave brought up to the Board a concern he had with how people are notified about hearings. He made a few suggestions on how to improve the process and the Board discussed them.

## **Minor Field Report**

### **1. Nationals**

Ann Rudge told the Board about how the field nationals went. She mentioned how our referees were receiving a lot of praise. They were commended for their great job out west.

### **2. Variance in Fees**

Ann had been receiving questions about the variance between Men's and Women's Field fees. The issue will be re-addressed at a later time.

## **Women's Field Report**

### **1. U15 at Festival**

Lynn Thomas told the Board about how great it was to have U15 Girls Field at the Festival. They had lot of spectators out to watch and had a very exciting provincial championship game.

### **2. National Team**

Lynn had been receiving some calls from coaches that girls playing for the National team would be unable to play for their Ontario clubs. She was unsure if this was true or not but was going to look into it further. Wendy Cuthbert asked her to clarify this for her in the near future because of its impact on Quest for Gold nominations.

## **OLRA Report**

### **1. Winter League**

Brent McAuley asked the Board about how referees were to be assigned for the Winter League this year. Dave Vernon responded and told Brent they had a local assignor. He would use local referees, the same method that was used the previous year.

## **Zone 4 Report**

### **1. Zone Director**

Marion Ladouceur notified the Board that Stu Finlayson would not be returning as Zone Director for next year but there are possible replacements that they are working on.

## **Zone 5 Report**

### **1. Zone AGM**

Roy Ledoux told the Board that they will be holding their Zone AGM in the near future. Also they are trying to determine if Kahnawake will remain under Ontario or switch to Quebec.

## **Zone 7 Report**

### **1. Zone AGM**

Leslie Kavanaugh told the board about their upcoming Zone AGM. It will be held in the near future.

## **Zone 8 Report**

### **1. New Zone Director**

Marion Ladouceur told the Board that she was looking for a replacement for Marlene MacDonald as Zone Director.

## **Zone 9 Report**

### **1. Super Clinic**

Mary Sticca asked the Board if the Super Clinic will happen again in 2007. She was informed that yes it will back next year.

### **2. Provincials**

Mary had made the suggestion that for any provincial the host cities should use at least one multi-pad arena. From her experience at the Intermediate provincials she thought that being at a multi-pad facility it made things run easier.

## **Zone 10 Report**

### **1. Zone AGM**

Darryl Haynes announced to the Board that their Zone AGM will be held later this month.

## **New Business**

### **1. Board of Governor SAGM fee**

#### **MOTION (Ledoux, Ladouceur)**

*"To waive the SAGM fee for all Board of Governors"*

**CARRIED**

### **2. Awards and Amendments**

Stan reminded the Board that all awards nominations and amendments must be submitted to the office by September 30, 2006. Also, he reminded the Board to make sure their AGM reports are into the office in the near future.

#### **MOTION (Rudge, Ladouceur)**

*"To adjourn meeting"*

**CARRIED**