



Minutes of the Ontario Lacrosse Association  
Board of Governors Meeting – September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

**Attendance**

John Doherty	President
George MacDonald	V.P. Finance
Joe Hiltz	V.P. Field
Jim Bomhof	V.P. Major – Administration
Marion Ladouceur	V.P. Minor
Frank Lawrence	V.P. Officiating
Jim Brady	Major
Dean McLeod	Junior A
Dave Vernon	Junior B
Glen Flippance	Senior Field
Stephen Taylor	Women`s Field
Mark Schuetzkowski	Junior Field
Shelly Nobile	Zone 4
Tina Manning	Zone 6
Ken Jolly	Zone 7
Nicole Roe	Zone 8
Mary Sticca	Zone 9
Wendy Bennett-Costante	Zone 10
Dale Sett	OLRA
Christina Douglas	Senior Women`s Box
Matt Doherty	Promotions Director
Chris Driscoll	Technical Director

**Regrets**

Lynn Orth	V.P. Promotion
Chuck Miller	Past President
Rick Phillips	V.P. Coaching
Don Edgerton	V.P. Development
Sharon McKeachnie	Senior B
Charlie Simpson	Junior C
Albert Rehanek	Minor Field
Jenn Matheson	Girls Box
Stan Cockerton	Executive Director
Ron MacSpadyen	Program Director

## **President's Report**

### **1. Previous Minutes**

#### **MOTION (Taylor, Flippance)**

*"To approve the minutes dated February 24th, 2013 of the Board of Governors Meeting as presented"*

**CARRIED**

## **Major Report**

### **1. 2013 Mann Cup & Season**

Jim reported to the Board that the 2013 OLA Major Series lacrosse season was very successful and a lot more competitive than years in the past.

## **Zone 6 Report**

### **1. Online Registration**

#### **MOTION (Manning, Taylor)**

*"Approve Zone 6 for online registration for all box sector players for the 2014 season"*

#### **MOTION (Sticca, Vernon)**

*"Table the discussion of the motion for zone 6 online registration approval to the November 1<sup>st</sup> Board of Governors meeting at the 2013 OLA AGM"*

**DEFEATED**

#### **MOTION (Manning, Taylor)**

*"Approve Zone 6 for online registration for all box sector players for the 2014 season"*

#### **MOTION AMENDMENT (Ladouceur, Sticca)**

*"Online registration for Zone 6 will be up for review before proceeding to the 2015 season"*

**CARRIED**

#### **MOTION (Manning, Taylor)**

*"Approve Zone 6 for online registration for all box sector players for the 2014 season, with a review before proceeding to the 2015 season"*

**CARRIED**

### **2. House League Championship Vendor Approval**

Tina asked the Board why vendors need to go through the OLA for House League championships. Marion reported to the Board that she will follow up regarding this discussion.

### **3. OLA Minor Provincial Championship Trophies**

#### **MOTION (Manning, Nobile)**

*"Trophies will be reviewed and updated with Champion's plaques by the OLA staff"*

**CARRIED**

## **Junior B Report**

### **1. 2013 OLA Junior 'B' Season**

Dave reported to the Board the the 2013 OLA Junior 'B' Championship Finals took place between the Clarington Green Gaels and Six Nations Rebels. Six Nations won the OLA Junior 'B' Championship and continued on to win it's third straight Founder's Cup Championship.

### **2. New Franchise Application**

Dave reported to the Board that he is meeting today after the Board meeting regarding a new franchise application for the OLA Junior 'B' League.

### **3. Facemask Issues**

Dave reported to the Board that the chin cups on the facemasks were still causing issues this season with players.

### **4. Fighting Rule**

Dave reported to the Board that the CLA fighting rule wasn't a major issue this year.

## **Zone 10 Report**

### **1. Elite Programs**

Wendy reported to the Board that she thinks that the OLA needs to be developing and implementing elite programs similar to edge as we should be taking advantage of these additional revenue generation opportunities and game development opportunities.

### **2. 2013 OLA Midget Provincials**

Wendy thanked the OLA for providing her with the opportunity to convene the 2013 OLA Midget Provincials at the 2013 Ontario Lacrosse Festival.

### **3. New Zone 10 RIC's**

Wendy reported to the Board that Zone 10 will be welcoming two new Zone RIC's this up-coming season. The new RIC's are Mark Thompson and Shane Hubbard.

### **4. SAGM Module Attendance Requirements**

Wendy reported to the Board that the fraud module at the SAGM should be required and mandated for each minor lacrosse association to attend, similar to the invitational tournament module and registration module was with a financial consequence for not attending.

## **Junior A Report**

### **1. 2013 OLA Junior 'A' Season**

Dean reported to the Board the 2013 OLA Junior 'A' season was one of the most competitive years for OLA Junior 'A' league in a very long time.

### **2. 2013 Minto Cup**

Dean reported to the Board that the Whitby Warriors were awarded the 2013 Minto Cup in a great showcase of Junior 'A' lacrosse.

### **3. Complaint to the CLA**

Dean reported to the Board that he will be submitting a formal complaint to the CLA regarding an incident at the 2013 Minto Cup with Coquitlam Adanacs.

### **4. OLA Junior Leagues Meeting**

#### **MOTION (McLeod, Bomhof)**

*“A meeting to be held between the three OLA Junior Leagues during the month of January”*

**CARRIED**

### **Senior Women’s Box Report**

#### **1. Increase in Clubs**

Christina reported to the Board that the OLA Senior Women’s Box lacrosse league has increased by two teams and potentially more teams.

#### **2. Gold Championships**

Christina reported to the Board that the OLA Senior Women’s Box lacrosse finals were very competitive.

#### **3. Refereeing**

Christina reported to the Board that she had to cancel four games in the east this year due to a lack of officials available for these games. Also reported was that there seemed to be more women referees officiating this year.

### **OLRA Report**

#### **1. Ontario Representation at National Championship Finals**

Dale reported to the Board that there was at least one Ontario official in each of the National Championship finals.

### **Zone 4 Report**

#### **1. Communication of Referee Discipline**

Shelly reported to the Board that the OLA Zone Director needs to be notified when a referee in their zone has received disciplinary action.

### **Women’s Field**

#### **1. Board of Governor Minutes**

##### **MOTION (Taylor, McLeod)**

*“OLA staff will distribute the Board of Governor Minutes to the Board within 14 days after each meeting.”*

**CARRIED**

#### **2. Board of Governors Meeting Reports**

##### **MOTION (Taylor, Bennett-Costante)**

*“All OLA Board of Governors must submit a report 7 days prior to each meeting to be distributed to the Board of Governors.”*

**CARRIED**

### **3. Women's Field Online Registration**

#### **MOTION (Taylor, Bomhof)**

*"Approve women's field for online registration for all players, trainers, coaches and managers for the 2014 season with a review before the 2015 season"*

**DEFEATED**

### **Zone 7 Report**

#### **1. 2013 OLA Provincials**

Ken reported to the Board that Zone 7 clubs had a great lacrosse season with 8 medal placements.

#### **2. Zone 7 Executive Changes**

Ken reported to the Board that the Zone 7 executive will be making some Board changes this year, which includes Ken's retirement from Zone Director.

### **New Business**

#### **1. OLA Registration Forms**

The following four areas of consent will be added the 2013 OLA registration forms:

- a) Non-resident players
- b) Volunteer screening
- c) Social Media
- d) Video Permission

#### **2. 2013 Ontario Lacrosse Hall of Fame Golf Tournament**

The 2013 Ontario Lacrosse Hall of Fame Golf Tournament is scheduled for September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

#### **3. Volunteer Screening**

Coaches and volunteers will have to provide a police background check if asked.

#### **MOTION (Sticca, Ladouceur)**

*"Adjourn meeting"*

**CARRIED**