

ONTARIO LACROSSE ASSOCIATION  
MINUTES OF THE 2013 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

November 2, 2013  
Marriott Gateway Hotel

The 127th Annual General Meeting of the Ontario Lacrosse Association was held at the Niagara Falls Marriott Gateway Hotel on Saturday November 2, 2013.

**ATTENDANCE:** Total Voting Delegates: 150

**O.L.A. BOARD OF GOVERNORS:**

John Doherty	President
Chuck Miller	Past President
George MacDonald	V.P. Finance
Jim Bomhof	V.P. Administration - Major
Marion Ladouceur	V.P. Administration – Minor
Joe Hiltz	V. P. Administration – Field
Frank Lawrence	V. P. Officiating
Jim Brady	Major Commissioner
Sharon McKechnie	Sr. B Commissioner
Dean McLeod	Jr. A Commissioner
Dave Vernon	Jr. B Commissioner
Charlie Simpson	Jr. C Commissioner
Albert Rehanek	Minor Field Commissioner
Christina Douglas	Women's Box Commissioner
Stephen Taylor	Women's Field Commissioner
Glen Flippance	Senior Field Commissioner
Mark Schuetzkowski	Junior Field Commissioner
Dale Sett	OLRA
Shelly Nobile	Zone 4 Director
Tina Manning	Zone 6 Director
Jenn Matheson	Zone 7 Director
Nicole Roe	Zone 8 Director
Mary Sticca	Zone 9 Director
Wendy Bennett	Zone 10 Director

**O.L.A. Office**

Stan Cockerton	Executive Director
Ron MacSpadyen	Program & Marketing Director
Matt Doherty	Promotions Director
Fiona Clevely	Administration
Chris Driscoll	Technical Director

Peter Flook

Asst. Administration

**LIFE MEMBERS:**

Barb Cormier  
Ruby Lang

**O.L.A. MAJOR**

\*Oakville Rock  
\* Brampton  
\* Brooklin Redman  
\* Peterborough  
K-W Kodiaks  
\* Six Nations

**O.L.A. SENIOR**

\* Sarnia  
\*Oakville  
\*Brooklin  
Norwood  
\*Owen Sound  
\*St. Catharines  
\*Six Nations

**O.L.A. JUNIOR A**

Barrie  
Brampton  
Burlington  
Kitchener-Waterloo  
Mississauga  
Peterborough  
Orangeville  
Six Nations  
St. Catharines  
Toronto Beaches  
Whitby

**O.L.A. JUNIOR B**

Akwesasne	Markham
Elora	Niagara
* Gloucester	Oakville
Green Gaels	Orangeville
*Guelph	Orillia
*Halton Hills	*Owen Sound
*Hamilton	Sarnia
*Kahnawake	Six Nations
*London	Spartan
Mimico	*Wallaceburg
*Mississauga	*Welland
*Nepean	Windsor
Newmarket	Brampton

**O.L.A. JUNIOR C**

\*Brockville, Caledon, \*Clarington, Cornwall, \*Fergus, \*Gloucester, \*Halton Hills,  
Hamilton, \*Huntsville, Innisfil, \*Kingston, Mimico, Shelburne, Peterborough,  
\*Whitby, \*Wilmot

**O.L.A. MINOR BOX ORGANIZATIONS**

\*Akwesasne

Arthur

Barrie

\*Brampton  
Burlington  
\*Clarington  
Ctr. Wellington  
\*Fort Erie  
Halton Hills  
Innisfil  
Kahnawake  
\*Lincoln  
London  
Milton  
\*Nepean  
Orangeville  
Oakville  
Sault Ste. Marie  
Simcoe  
\*Six Nations  
Toronto Stars  
Uxbridge  
West Durham

Brantford  
\*Caledon  
Cambridge  
\*Kingston  
\*Gloucester  
Hamilton  
Kawartha Lakes  
\*New Tecumseth  
Oshawa  
\*Markham  
Mimico  
North Perth  
Orillia  
Peterborough  
Shelburne  
Stayner  
Sun County  
\*Thunder Bay  
Wallaceburg  
Whitby

Cornwall  
East Gwillimbury  
  
Guelph  
Huntsville  
Kitchener-Waterloo  
\*North Bay  
\*Northumberland  
Midland  
Mississauga  
N.O.T.L.  
Owen Sound  
Sarnia  
Sudbury  
\*St. Catharines  
Toronto Beaches  
\*Tri-Towns  
Welland  
\*Windsor

#### **O.L.A. MINOR FIELD**

Barrie  
Guelph  
Halton Hills  
K-W  
Milton  
N.O.T.L.  
Orillia  
Toronto Beaches  
Whitby

Burlington  
East Gwillimbury  
Halton Hills  
Kawartha Lakes  
Mimico  
Oakville  
Oshawa  
Toronto Stars

C/Wellington  
Hamilton  
Innisfil  
London  
Mississauga  
Orangeville  
Peterborough  
West Durham

#### **O.L.A. JUNIOR FIELD**

Barrie  
Ctr. Wellington  
Kitchener  
Mississauga  
Oakville  
Oshawa  
St. Clair

Brampton  
Halton Hills  
London  
Newmarket  
Orangeville  
Nepean  
Toronto Beaches

Burlington  
Hamilton  
Mimico  
Niagara  
Orillia  
Peterborough

#### **O.L.A. SENIOR FIELD**

Brampton

Burlington

C/Wellington

Hamilton  
Niagara

Kitchener  
Orangeville

London  
Toronto

### **O.L.A. WOMEN'S FIELD**

Brampton  
Mimico  
Toronto Beaches  
\*Burlington  
\*Orillia  
\*St. Catharines  
\*Welland

Kitchener  
\*Oakville  
Toronto Stars  
\*Kawartha Lakes  
Oshawa  
\*Six Nations  
\*Halton Hills

Hamilton  
Orangeville  
\*Clarington  
\*Mississauga  
\*Owen Sound  
\*Toronto Titans  
\*Newmarket

### **O.L.A WOMEN'S BOX TEAMS**

\*Akwesasne  
\*Kahnawake

\*Durham  
\*Niagara

\*Grand River  
\*Toronto Stars

\* Denotes ineligible to vote \*

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

OLA Executive Director, Mr. Stan Cockerton called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance. Mr. Cockerton thanked the 2012 OLA Board of Directors, Board of Governors and the OLA Staff for their hard work and dedication. Mr. Cockerton stated that Lacrosses' strength was in our volunteers and thanked all of the Lacrosse Festival Volunteers. Mr. Cockerton also recognized the positive growth of the sport by the representation of the Clubs at this AGM.

### **VOTING DELEGATES:**

Mr. Chuck Miller announced that this years voting delegates numbered 150 and 2/3 majority vote number would be 100.

### **VOTING PROCEDURES:**

Mr. Stan Cockerton, Executive Director gave an overview of the voting procedures and amendment protocol – when going to the microphone on your amendment state your name and the association you are from and please show your voting card. Also that you require 2/3 majority to have the amendment pass. Scrutinizers were Life Member Dean McLeod and Chuck Miller- if required would count the votes on close voting issues. Mr. Cockerton introduced Mr. Drew Girard who would make sure that the Roberts Rules of Order were followed correctly for our meeting.

PREVIOUS MINUTES:

MOTION:

It was regularly moved and seconded the "Minutes of the 2012 Annual General Meeting be approved". (Sharon McKechnie/Bob Clevely)

CARRIED

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Stan Cockerton introduced OLA President, Mr. John Doherty.

Welcome to the Ontario Lacrosse Association/s 2013 AGM. As always we had a very busy and extremely successful year for Ontario Lacrosse with many fantastic accomplishments coming out of our membership. I want to thank all of you in this room for the amount of your personal time and the unequalled effort that you put into our great game of Lacrosse. I also want to make sure I thanked the OLA Board of Directors, Board of Governors, Stan and the OLA Office Staff for their assistance over the last year.

As the many challenges arose everyone worked well together and when there was a job to do, there were many hands to help with whatever needed to be done. Most importantly everyone had fun, making sure that the quality of Lacrosse that we play in Ontario was second to none, anywhere in Canada or in the World.

Internationally, the Sr. Women's Team Canada had an excellent performance in July at the 2013 Women's World Field Lacrosse Championship hosted in Oshawa, Ontario. For the 1<sup>st</sup> time ever, the Senior Women's Team Canada earned their way to play in the Gold medal game, ultimately being overcome by a very strong Team USA, bringing home our 1<sup>st</sup> silver medal. This was an extremely well run tournament by the organizing committee with a stellar performance by Team Canada.

In other completion, 2013 was a great year for Ontario Lacrosse. Ontario Teams won 9 of a total of 12 possible National Championships...1<sup>st</sup> of all the Girls Bantam Team Ontario won the Girls Bantam Gold National Championship in Halifax. Team Ontario Bantams won the Bantam Gold National Championship in Winnipeg. Team Ontario Peewees and Midgets won their respective National Championships in Whitby at the Ontario Lacrosse Festival. Team Ontario U19 won the First Nations Trophy Canadian National U19 Field Lacrosse Championship in Montreal.

From the National Junior to Major box lacrosse viewpoint, Ontario Lacrosse swept all four National Box Lacrosse Championships, the 2013 Senior A, Major, Senior B, Junior A, and Junior B National Championships.

The Six Nations Chiefs MSL Team won the Mann Cup over the Victoria Shamrocks in Victoria, BC. The St. Catharines Saints defeated the Kahnawake Mohawks to win the Sr. B Presidents; Cup in Kahnawake, Quebec. The Whitby Warriors Jr. A Team captured the Minto Cup in New Westminster, BC over the Coquitlam Adanacs and the Six Nations Jr. B Rebels won their 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive Founders Trophy defeating the Calgary Mountaineers in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Congratulations to all teams that participated in the OLA Provincials held during the 2013 Ontario Lacrosse Festival. This year was the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary for the Ontario Lacrosse Festival and over the 10 days of the Festival we saw over 472 teams with more than 10,622 participants competing for 36 Provincial and National Championships. The successful planning and management by Ron MacSpadyen along with his dedicated group of volunteers made the 2013 Festival outstanding and enjoyed by all participants and spectators. Thanks to all of you who volunteered this year at the festival. This event was tremendously successful due to your help.

I look forward to the 2014 season. If we continue to work together, I believe that we will grow Lacrosse in Ontario beyond all expectations, not only in the quantity of players playing our great game but also the quality of the players and of the game itself.

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#### TREASURER'S REPORT:

Financial Statement copies were handed out and was highlighted by V.P. Finance George MacDonald.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the "2013 OLA Audited Financial Statement be accepted as presented". (Stephen Taylor/Glen Flippance)  
Recommendation made by Vic Emberson that the Program Cost should have a notes page to describe breakdown of page 5 line item 2.

#### CARRIED

It was regularly moved and seconded by that "Beckett, Lowden & Read be accepted as OLA 2014 Auditors". (Glen Flippance/Marg Boldt)

#### CARRIED

It was regularly moved and seconded that the 2014 Audit Committee be accepted consisting of Dean McLeod, Ruby Lang, Mary Sticca. (Marg Boldt/Chris Juniper) Vic Emberson was nominated by Shelly Nobile, seconded by Sharon McKechnie to be added to the ballot for the auditor committee. Vic Emberson

accepted the nomination. After the ballot vote the 2014 Audit Committee is Dean McLeod, Ruby Lang and Mary Sticca.

Moved by Marg Boldt/Jim Bomhof to have the ballots destroyed.

CARRIED

Dean McLeod presented to the membership the nomination for Life Member for Mr. Bob Hanna from Whitby.

CARRIED

A moment of silence was observed for our Canadian Veterans as well as Lacrosse volunteers who had past during the 2013 season.

#### **AMENDMENTS:**

<b>B2.01</b>	<b>Carried</b>
<b>B3.01(b)</b>	<b>Deleted &amp; Amended</b>
<b>B3.01(a)-B3.01(e)</b>	<b>Carried</b>
<b>B2.01</b>	<b>Carried</b>
<b>B4.01</b>	<b>Amended &amp; Carried</b>
<b>B5.01</b>	<b>Defeated</b>
<b>B5.04</b>	<b>Amended &amp; Carried</b>
<b>B6.02</b>	<b>Carried</b>
<b>B7.01</b>	<b>Carried</b>
<b>B7.05</b>	<b>Amended &amp; Carried</b>
<b>MR1.06</b>	<b>Carried</b>
<b>MR2.12(c)</b>	<b>Carried</b>
<b>MR3.01</b>	<b>Defeated</b>
<b>MR6.02</b>	<b>Amended &amp; Defeated</b>
<b>MR7.02</b>	<b>Defeated</b>
<b>MR7.05</b>	<b>Defeated</b>
<b>MR7.08</b>	<b>Carried</b>
<b>MR7.13</b>	<b>Carried</b>
<b>R6.14(e)</b>	<b>Defeated (with notes)</b>
<b>R6.18(b)</b>	<b>Defeated</b>

#### **O.L.A. BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTIONS:**

V.P Admin. Major	Jim Bomhof-Acclamation – 2 yr. term
V.P. Finance	George MacDonald -Acclamation – 2 yr. term
V.P. Tech/Coaching	Rick Phillips-Acclamation- 2 yr. term
V.P. Development	Lisa Alton- Membership Vote – 2 yr. term

Motion to destroy ballots (Marg Boldt/Jim Bomhof)

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Tina Manning recommended hiring someone to assist with the OLA registrations during critical periods.

Moved by (Dave Vernon/Charlie Simpson) to have the following people sit on a screening committee to develop the police check policy to present to the membership at the 2014 AGM. Trevor Anyon, Glen Flippance, Chuck Miller, Fiona Clevely, Stan Cockerton, Ron Reed & Gord Ferguson (insurance contact)

CARRIED

Motion (Dean McLeod/Jim Bomhof) to adjourn the meeting.

CARRIED