



Minutes of the Ontario Lacrosse Association  
Board of Directors Meeting – February 21st, 2007

**Attendance**

John Doherty	President
Chuck Miller	Past President
Marion Ladouceur	V.P. Minor
Doug Luey	V.P. Major
George MacDonald	V.P. Finance
Ann Rudge	V.P. Field
Rick Phillips	V.P. Coaching
Gary Martin	V.P. Officiating
Wendy Cuthbert	V.P. Development
Ron MacSpadyen	Marketing Director
Tyler Dalton	Promotions Director

**Regrets**

Kathy French	V.P. Promotion
Stan Cockerton	Executive Director
Chris Driscoll	Technical Director

**MOTION (Miller, Ladouceur)**

*“To approve the minutes dated January 27, 2007 of the Planning Meeting and the minutes dated January 28, 2007 of the Board of Directors Meeting as amended”*

**CARRIED**

**President Report**

**1. Collingwood Planning Meeting**

John Doherty thanked the Board for taking the time to go to Collingwood for the Planning Meeting. He felt it was a very productive weekend overall.

**2. SAGM**

John reminded the Board that the SAGM was only 10 days away and wanted everyone to be prepared for their seminars and meetings for the weekend.

### **3. Commissioners Meeting**

John and Doug Luey attended the Commissioners meeting last weekend at the OLA office. Topics such as interprovincial transfers, rules and the automatic fines policy were discussed. During the meeting the Senior B Commissioner Sharon Mckeachnie and Junior B Commissioner Dave Vernon expressed their interest in getting their own person to do the stats for their leagues. John advised Tyler to update the contract agreement used last year for the Major Series and send it to both Commissioners.

### **Marketing Report**

#### **1. SAGM Agenda**

Ron MacSpadyen showed the Board the schedule for the SAGM. He then gave a brief description of the guest speakers that were coming. Ron then went through all of the seminars at the SAGM to confirm who was running each one.

#### **2. OLA Ball List**

Ron brought up a concern he had with the OLA Ball List for this season. The CLA had dropped Can-Am from their list and Ron wanted guidance from the Board as to what we should do. John advised Ron that we should leave Can-Am off of our list and if anyone had a major issue with it then we would bring them and listen to them.

#### **3. Registration Posters**

Ron announced to the Board that we now have 5 different registration posters for associations. He told the Board that each club will receive a few of each at the SAGM and will have the opportunity to purchase more after that.

### **Past President Report**

#### **1. Toshiba**

Chuck Miller told the Board that he was still working on working out things with Toshiba. Chuck is going to keep working with them but thinks that a few things will change from what Toshiba has given us in the past.

### **Major-Junior Report**

#### **1. Special Incident Report**

Doug Luey told the Board that he just received a special incident report from last season.

#### **2. Collecting Outstanding Fees**

Doug told the Board that the OLA office had received all of the outstanding fees owed before the deadline set.

#### **3. Bonds**

Doug told the Board that he had gone through a list of draft picks that were unpaid for by Major teams. He got the list down to a total of sixteen cases. Doug also wondered if there were bonds left from either the Windsor or Oshweken Major teams. George said that he would look into it.

#### **4. Poker Tournament Fundraiser**

Doug informed the Board that the Poker Tournament at SAGM will not be happening.

#### **5. L.E.A.P.**

Doug told the Board about a program that he was running called L.E.A.P. It is a program to help lacrosse players who are interested in obtaining a University scholarship gain exposure.

### **Minor Report**

#### **1. Sun County Executive**

Marion Ladouceur told the Board that there is a person on Sun County's Executive that should be still under suspension. The incident occurred approximately 15 years ago and the person never came in for a hearing. Marion is going to look into the matter further.

#### **2. Cambridge House League**

Marion had received an email from a person from Cambridge stating that she has two boys who are slower developmentally and wished for them to play in an age group below their normal one. The Board discussed the issue and decided that the decision will be up to Cambridge, but the situation must be monitored.

#### **3. Zone 5 Director**

Marion announced to the Board that the Zone 5 Director has resigned and that she is currently searching for a replacement.

#### **4. Missing Coaching Information**

Marion told the Board about an email she had received. The person attended a Tech 1 Field clinic in Georgetown on August 29, 2004 and it doesn't appear on his NCCP record. There are also two others from that attended that clinic and it doesn't appear on their NCCP record also. The person also noted that his Tech 1 Box doesn't appear and he attended that clinic on April 18, 2004.

### **Field Report**

#### **1. New University Teams**

Ann Rudge told the Board that there could possibly be two new team applications coming to the Board at the next Board of Governors meeting.

### **Officiating Report**

#### **1. Level 3-5 Clinic**

Gary Martin told the Board that the Level 3-5 clinic will be held this weekend. So far there are seventy people registered and he is expecting there to be people more registering at the event.

#### **2. SAGM Workshops**

Gary told the Board that he will be running three workshops at the SAGM. They will run Saturday morning and will be about things like Assign by Web and Supervision.

## **Development Report**

### **1. EDGE Lacrosse**

Wendy Cuthbert told the Board about a meeting that her and Stan had with the people from Edge Lacrosse. She told the Board how there is a need to get a handle on these growing independent groups. Wendy hopes to have a set of guidelines or rules for these groups to follow at some point this year. She will keep the Board updated with her status on the situation.

### **2. Team Ontario**

Wendy told the Board that the Team Ontario Coach bios have been posted on the website. Also she mentioned that the registration for the selection camps have been posted as well. It has been changed once to emphasis the fact that the player's 2007 registration is needed and not 2006. There will be 2 selection camps for each division; one east, one west. From that there will be an invitational camp followed by the final camp. Both teams will start with 18 runners and 2 goalies this year because of the amount of injuries the teams have had in the past.

### **3. Quest for Gold**

Wendy told the Board that she is currently looking for a Trainer to monitor the athletes in the Quest for Gold Program.

## **Finance Report**

### **1. Budget**

George MacDonald told the Board that he and Stan will start to work on the budget for this year shortly for the SAGM.

## **Coaching Report**

### **1. Coaching Clinics**

Rick Phillips told the Board that he has been having troubles trying to contact Chris at the office. They have had different perceptions on when the coaching clinics will be this season. Chris needs to contact Rick to finalize the coaching clinic dates.

## **New Business**

### **1. Insurance**

At the last meeting Kathy French had asked about what type of insurance the Board is covered by. Stan found out that the insurance is Claims Insurance.

### **2. Player Movement Irregularities**

Doug Luey suggested that a committee should be formed to discuss player movement irregularities.

## **MOTION (Luey, Ladouceur)**

*"To adjourn meeting"*

**CARRIED**