



## Minutes of the Ontario Lacrosse Association Board of Directors Meeting – May 13, 2009

### **Attendance**

John Doherty	President
Doug Luey	V.P. Major
George MacDonald	V.P. Finance
Marion Ladouceur	V.P. Minor
Kevin MacPherson	V.P. Officiating
Mary Sticca	V.P. Promotion
Rick Phillips	V.P. Coaching
Terry Lloyd	V.P. Field
Wendy Cuthbert	V.P. Development
Stan Cockerton	Executive Director
Ron MacSpadyen	Marketing Director
Tyler Dalton	Promotions Director

### **Regrets**

Chuck Miller	Past President
Chris Driscoll	Technical Director

### **Previous Minutes**

#### **MOTION (MacPherson, Phillips)**

*“To approve the minutes dated April 8, 2009 of the Board of Directors Meeting as presented”*

**CARRIED**

### **VP Officiating Report**

#### **1. Provincial RICs**

Kevin MacPherson told the Board that all of the Provincial RICs are in place with the exception of one. Once they have the last one in place they will bring the list to the Board for approval at the next Board Meeting.

#### **2. Total Numbers**

Kevin MacPherson told the Board that the total number of referees this year will be down about 40.

#### **3. Zone 4 RIC**

Kevin told the Board that the Zone 4 RIC is being operated by committee because Kerri Bolton has stepped down from this position. Kevin did mention they might have a replacement for him in the near future.

#### **4. No Referees in Akwesasne**

Kevin told the Board that there are currently no referees in Akwesasne and only 4 in Kahnawake. This could pose a serious problem during the season. Kevin is going to run a special clinic for them this weekend to hopefully get more referees before the season starts.

#### **5. Make up Clinic**

Kevin told the Board that Brent Columbe, Ryan Dutkis and Chris George all attended the make up clinic. He would like them to be added to the list of Board Officials.

#### **MOTION (MacPherson, Ladouceur)**

*"To add Brent Columbe, Ryan Dutkis and Chris George to the approved 2009 List of Board Officials"*

**CARRIED**

#### **VP Coaching Report**

##### **1. Upcoming Clinics**

Rick Phillips told the Board that there are 3 more coaching clinics coming up the May 22nd weekend in Orangeville, Kingston and Sudbury.

##### **2. Database**

Rick inquired about Ontario starting its own database of each coach's status/training is. It was discussed but the task would be too tough to maintain.

##### **3. Coaching Issues for CLA Meeting**

Stan remind Rick to sit down with Chris and Ron to go over list any issues that need to be cleared up at the CLA Meeting coming up.

#### **VP Promotion Report**

##### **1. Golf Tournament**

Mary Sticca told the Board that the golf flyers have been printed off and will be mailed out soon.

#### **VP Development**

##### **1. Novice Team Ontario Camp**

Wendy Cuthbert told the Board that there were 87 kids who registered for the camp and only 55 showed up. She mentioned that it ran great. All of the kids got to keep their jersey and a certificate which most got the instructors to sign by the pros running the camp.

##### **2. Junior Field Team**

Wendy told the Board that the Junior Field Team Ontario try out was rained out. She is trying to get some of the money back for that.

##### **3. Online Registration**

Wendy mentioned that there will be online registration for Team Ontario next year.

#### **4. Team Ontario Warrior & Gait**

Wendy told the Board that Warrior and Gait have agreed to allow Team Ontario to use equipment from both companies. This should ensure that all teams have the desired equipment they need for field and box.

#### **5. Midget Nationals**

Wendy asked John what the procedure is to request longer breaks between periods at the Midget Nationals. She mentioned that the periods are 17 minutes long with only a 3 minute break. Games that have 20 minute period receive 10 minute breaks. John said that it may be too late to submit this to the CLA for the semi-annual but that if all MAs approve of the change it could be done.

#### **6. Terri-Lynn Dixon Suspension**

Wendy told the Board that Stephanie Simpson has received some information from Terri-Lynn. Stephanie and Wendy still need to go through the documents to make sure they have everything they need. The Board will uphold the suspension until they receive notice from the Women's Box Council that everything is in order. The suspension carries across all aspects of Ontario Lacrosse including things like Coaching Clinics.

### **VP Field Report**

#### **1. Coaching Clinics**

Terry Lloyd told the Board that for next year there should be a few more field coaching clinics. Rick mentioned that he is working on having a Super Clinic for field next spring.

#### **2. Edge**

Terry told the Board that a coach for Edge was discouraging girls from taking part in the Team Ontario try outs because it would be cheaper to play for the Edge team.

#### **3. OWL**

Terry told the Board that Gord Robertson, Women's Field Commissioner, is trying to push through a bunch of rule changes at a special AGM. Terry believes that most of the clubs have yet to see what the changes would be.

#### **4. Team Ontario Field**

Wendy suggested that a representative should accompany the Team Ontario Minor Field teams to Winnipeg when they compete.

### **VP Minor Report**

#### **1. Fergus/Elora**

Marion Ladouceur told the Board that Fergus and Elora are looking for more information about their past registration numbers. Marion is going to talk to Don Edgerton, Zone 8 Director, to make sure everyone involved is on the same boat.

#### **2. Minor Girls Schedule**

Marion told the Board that the schedule for the West isn't finalized yet but they are working on it.

## **VP Major Report**

### **1. CLA Transfers**

Doug Luey told the Board that there were about 90 CLA transfers this year. It was almost even in the amount of inbound and outbound transfers.

### **2. Stats**

Doug told the Board that there has been some inconsistency on when teams are posting scores after their games. He mentioned that Ron Pallister is willing to update everything as long as he has game sheets. Pete will resend the game reporting procedure with the change.

### **3. Affiliation List**

Doug presented the Affiliation list to the Board for review. Upon review the following changes were made:

- a) Senior B Peterborough Norwood to Peterborough Junior A (removed)
- b) Senior B Peterborough Norwood to Peterborough Junior B (removed)
- c) Junior B Cornwall to Akwesasne Midget (removed)
- d) Junior B Niagara to St. Catharines Intermediate (removed)
- e) Junior C West Durham to Whitby Intermediate (removed)

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

*"To approve the 2009 Affiliation list as amended"*

**CARRIED**

Tyler will post the form on the OLA website.

## **VP Finance Report**

### **1. Budget**

George MacDonald told the Board that are cash flow is good right now and that he has some clean up things that need to be done on the accounting.

## **New Business**

### **1. Festival Meeting**

Mary told the Board about the Festival Meeting that happened last week. She reminded the Board that it will be nearly double the size from last year and will need the Board to be able to help out. Also she mentioned that there needs to be more office staff there.

### **MOTION (MacPherson, Phillips)**

*"To adjourn meeting"*

**CARRIED**