



## Minutes of the Ontario Lacrosse Association Board of Directors Meeting – April 6, 2011

### **Attendance**

John Doherty	President
George MacDonald	V.P. Finance
Kevin MacPherson	V.P. Officiating
Doug Luey	V.P. Major
Lynn Orth	V.P. Promotion
Marion Ladouceur	V.P. Minor
Wendy Cuthbert	V.P. Development
Stan Cockerton	Executive Director
Tyler Dalton	Promotions Director

### **Regrets**

Chuck Miller	Past President
Rick Phillips	V.P. Coaching
Terry Lloyd	V.P. Field
Ron MacSpadyen	Marketing Director
Chris Driscoll	Technical Director

### **President's Report**

#### **1. Previous Minutes**

#### **MOTION (Luey, MacPherson)**

*"To approve the minutes dated February 16, 2011 of the Board of Directors Meeting as presented"*

**CARRIED**

#### **2. Quebec**

John Doherty told the Board that he has been working with FCQ on a solution to a motion the Board had passed in January.

#### **MOTION (MacPherson, Orth)**

*"Quebec teams would be allowed to play in OLA sanctioned minor box lacrosse games or tournaments if they are approved via the following defined process:*

1. *Any Teams who are members of the FCQ who wish to attend a tournament or play any games in Ontario must first obtain Pierre Fillion or his designate's permission to do so. The date of the request, where in Ontario the Team plans on playing and the dates they wish to play, will be recorded by the FCQ.*
2. *Once the FCQ approves this request it will be sent with the above information to Marion Ladouceur - OLA VP Administration Minor at [thelads@cogeco.ca](mailto:thelads@cogeco.ca), if the request involves a Minor Team or if the request involves a Jr. or Sr. Team the request and the information to Doug Luey - OLA VP Administration Jr. – Major at [dluey@rogers.com](mailto:dluey@rogers.com). Also the OLA Executive Director, Stan Cockerton is to be copied on the request, at [stan@ontariolacrosse.com](mailto:stan@ontariolacrosse.com).*
3. *Marion or Doug will acknowledge the FCQ's request as soon as possible and they will notify the FCQ of their approval or disapproval of the request within 7 days of the acknowledgement. Also if approved they will notify the Ontario organization hosting the tournament or game that the FCQ team has been approved to play.*
4. *The FCQ will be required to deposit a \$1,000 bond with the OLA for the 2011 season as a security bond in case of a FCQ team default or discipline in any games or tournaments. The OLA will deal directly with the FCQ and not with the individual FCQ teams.*
5. *If there are any incidents either in the FCQ teams fulfilling their commitment to attend the scheduled games / tournament or with their conduct while they are in Ontario, a report will be sent by the OLA to the FCQ describing the situation including a resultant course of action, including any fines or suspensions that were incurred, which must be upheld by the FCQ."*

## **CARRIED**

### **VP Finance Report**

#### **1. Balance Sheet**

George MacDonald went through the balance sheet with the Board. He also mentioned that there is a July deadline to come up with a proposal for the Toronto Rock 50/50 money

### **VP Major to Junior Report**

#### **1. Innisfil**

Doug Luey told the Board about a situation in Innisfil. He has received 4 letters from the parents of midget aged players to sign Junior cards. There will be no midget team in Innisfil this season and they wish to play for the Junior C club. We normally don't allow this to protect the midget teams.

**MOTION (Luey, Ladouceur)**

*"To approve these four kids to play for Innisfil Junior C for the 2011 season. If they do not make the team they are to play for the next closest midget team"*

**CARRIED**

**2. Amendment**

Doug told the Board that the wording needs to change in the constitution regarding Junior affiliate clubs. Doug will make the change and do a mail vote with the clubs.

**3. Affiliation Date**

Doug mentioned that the affiliation date needs to be moved up for next season. Right now some seasons start before the current date.

**4. Reclassification Form**

**MOTION (Luey, MacPherson)**

*"To approve OLA Reclassification form as the recognized document for player movement"*

**CARRIED**

**5. Commissioner's Meeting**

Kevin MacPherson asked Doug to send the notes from the Commissioner's meeting. Stan said he had them and would send them.

**VP Development Report**

**1. Women's Referee Clinic**

Wendy Cuthbert told the Board that she is concerned with the date of the Women's Referee Clinic. She feels that it is too late in the season. Kevin will try to schedule one sooner.

**2. Akwesasne Women's Team**

Wendy told the Board that the original hearing was done with referees. Their appeal was heard.

**MOTION (Cuthbert, Orth)**

*"To reduce the Akwesasne fee to \$350"*

**CARRIED**

**3. Girls Playing Minor Lacrosse**

There was a letter asking to clarify the language from the Board's previous meeting. A girl has signed a girl's box lacrosse card and wants to try out for Pee Wee Team Ontario. The girl is eligible by age. She can try out for the team.

## **VP Promotion Report**

### **1. Hall of Fame Dinner**

Lynn Orth told the Board there won't be a combined Hall of Fame and Awards Banquet this year. They have already signed an agreement for 2011.

### **2. SAGM**

Lynn told the Board the SAGM went well. She feels that it needs to be tweaked a bit in order to improve it.

### **3. Lacrosse Day in Canada**

Lynn said she had received some material from Jim Zacher on the Lacrosse Day in Canada. The Board thought it was only going to be in Ontario. Lynn will ask him to clarify.

### **4. Wheelchair Lacrosse**

Lynn received some information on accessibility legislation. The Board went on to discuss a few items regarding wheelchair lacrosse like risk management and insurance. Lynn will attend an information session in Waterloo.

### **5. Volunteer Screening Policy**

Lynn showed the Board a sample policy. The Board asked what the bill's status is now that there is an election. Lynn will contact the MP to check.

## **VP Officiating Report**

### **1. OLRA Letter**

Kevin had a letter from the OLRA with a few questions. Ron addressed the questions and Kevin will take the answers back to the OLRA

### **2. OLRA Golf Tournament**

Kevin told the Board that the OLRA will be holding a golf tournament September 24.

## **VP Minor Report**

### **1. House League Proposal**

Marion Ladouceur told the Board that she received an Interlocking House League proposal from Toronto Stars and Beaches. The proposal is for Bantam and Midget. They have 4 teams combined in both divisions.

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

*"To approve the interlocking house league between Toronto Stars and Beaches"*

### **DEFEATED**

There is a need to create criteria for what clubs have tried to recruit players and build their programs before the Board approves any interlocking house league.

## **New Business**

### **1. Founders Cup Proposal**

#### **MOTION (Orth, MacPherson)**

*"To approve the Founders Cup proposal from Six Nations"*

**CARRIED**

### **2. Automatic Fine Policy**

Stan Cockerton went through the Automatic Fine policy with the Board. He outlined the changes.

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

*"To approve 2011 Automatic Fine/Suspensions policy as amended"*

**CARRIED**

### **3. 2013 World Lacrosse**

Stan told the Board that Oshawa won the bid to host the 2013 FIL Women's Lacrosse World Cup. They have sent us a proposal for a \$5,000 sponsorship agreement.

#### **MOTION (Orth, MacPherson)**

*"To purchase \$4,000 worth of tickets to the 2013 FIL Women's Lacrosse World Cup, \$2,000 in 2011 and \$2,000 in 2012."*

**CARRIED**

### **4. Goalie**

The Board was asked if a Bantam Goalie can practice with a Junior B team. The Board said no.

### **5. Durham Hotel Association**

Ron MacSpadyen showed the Board the model of we have with Durham Hotel Association. He told the Board that the OLA loses out on money if teams book with third party groups instead of directly with the hotels. The Board discussed possible ways to stop this from happening.

#### **MOTION (MacDonald, Lloyd)**

*"To adjourn meeting"*

**CARRIED**