



**ONTARIO LACROSSE ASSOCIATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
THURSDAY AUGUST 27, 2020**

**ATTENDANCE**

In Attendance:	Marion Ladouceur	President
	George MacDonald	VP Finance
	Jim Bomhof	VP Junior-Major
	Jenn Matheson	VP Minor
	Andree Davis	VP Field
	Rick Phillips	VP Coaching
	Frank Lawrence	VP Officiating
	Jim Leworthy	VP Development
	Sonya Crossey	VP Promotion
	Stan Cockerton	Executive Director
	Ron MacSpadyen	Marketing Director
	Jeramie Bailey	Promotions Director
	Bruce Codd	Technical Director
	Fiona Clevely	Administration
With Regrets:	John Doherty	Past President

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**MINUTES**

Meeting called to order at 7:04 PM.

Chairperson's Welcome (Marion Ladouceur)

1. Marion welcomed the group and thanked everyone for their attendance.
2. The upcoming Board of Governors meeting did not account for the Labour Day weekend. It is unlikely that quorum will be met during a holiday weekend.

**Discussion:** this Board of Governors meeting should be moved to the following Wednesday at 7:00pm. Given the flow of discussion of the first Virtual Board of Governors Townhall, it should be permissible for the Board of Governors to submit a reasonable number of concerns that can be addressed, as opposed to being limited to one question or concern.

OLOA Special Meeting Request (Marion Ladouceur)

1. The OLOA has submitted a special meeting request. This type of resolution should have taken place prior to the circulation of recent discourse, which has significantly eroded the trust that the Board of Directors has in the OLOA's leadership.

**Discussion:** a Board of Governors meeting is scheduled to occur within the next two weeks. The OLOA should convey their concerns at this meeting, which will provide the OLA with an opportunity to address their concerns. It is important for the OLA to acknowledge all requests received in order to demonstrate a willingness to work together.

Team Registration Fees (George MacDonald)

1. There appeared to be a lack of clarity in the August 12<sup>th</sup> motions related to team refunds and its impact on AGM registration. Situations have arisen since that meeting that prompt questions which the original motions do not explicitly account for. It is necessary to correct this prior to communicating the OLA's decision to the Board of Governors.

*To strike the previous motions of August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020, moved by Jim Leworthy and seconded by George MacDonald, in regard to team registration refunds.*

m/ Jim Leworthy

s/ George MacDonald

**CARRIED.**

2. A refund chart was presented that clearly indicated how refunds would be tabulated and processed, which is meant to reinforce the spirit of the previous motions of August 12<sup>th</sup> in a clear and concise manner.

*To approve the team registration refund scenario chart as presented, with a credit of \$291.00 including 2020 Annual General Meeting voting privileges, and with refunds processed less the amount of any outstanding invoices to the OLA beginning on September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020.*

m/ Jim Leworthy

s/ George MacDonald

**CARRIED.**

*To approve the 2020 AGM voting privileges at a rate of \$291.00, plus any outstanding invoices owed to the OLA, to any club who has not yet submitted a team entry fee for the 2020 season but wishes to participate in the 2020 AGM, provided they were a Member in Good Standing at the time of the 2019 AGM.*

m/ Jim Leworthy

s/ George MacDonald

**CARRIED.**

#### RTA Registration Inquires (Jenn Matheson)

1. Clubs are reporting that each registration results in an additional \$18.00 charge for RTA insurance, despite the registrations occurring for participants who had already been refunded.

**Discussion:** clubs are not being double-charged for insurance. For clubs who raise concerns related to Sportzsoft, the normal process of clarifying their registration concerns with Ron MacSpadyen is in effect.

2. Will clubs be provided with a financial breakdown of refunds, as well as an approximate timeline for refund processing?

**Discussion:** the final determination by the OLA's insurance company is expected soon. Certain costs, such as the payment of the regional registrars, will not be refunded because the service has been rendered. Other costs, such as insurance and the Ontario Lacrosse Year in Review, are still to be determined, but these amounts are negligible for the purpose of clubs proceeding with refunds. For clubs who have paid back 100% of their member's registration fees, the OLA is open to examining how the refund process will ensure that the club is compensated for the amount paid by the registrant directly to the OLA. As for the processing of refunds, the OLA does not wish to carry any funds through the fiscal end of 2020. This situation will be a priority throughout the month of September.

#### Program Review Committee Update (Jim Leworthy)

1. The Program Review Committee has held its very meeting and established four separate subcommittees to examine the areas outlined by the Terms of Reference. Additional representatives from the Board of Governors have been added to the committee. This process will be a lot of work, but will hopefully inspire club and league representatives who are looking for direction in 2020. Additional contributors will be added to this committee in the near future.

#### OLOA Assistance Request (Frank Lawrence)

1. The OLOA has asked that the OLA provide financial assistance to Gord Brown for time off work to travel to attend court as a witness in the assault trial to which he was a victim.

**Discussion:** what happened to Gord Brown is reprehensible and condemned in absolute terms. Gord will be contacted by the OLA to be offered support in this situation.

*To approve the expenses of Gord Brown for the purpose of attending court on September 23<sup>rd</sup> and September 24<sup>th</sup> in Orillia, ON.*

m/ Frank Lawrence

s/ Rick Phillips

**CARRIED.**

### Field Referee Clinic Refund Request (Jeramie Bailey)

1. The OMFLL has now determined that there will not be a fall field season for 2020. Is it permissible to begin the refund process for fall field referees?

*To initiate the field referee refund process according to the approved motions of the OLA's Board of Directors on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020.*

m/ Frank Lawrence

s/ Andree Davis

**CARRIED.**

### OMFLL Financials Inquiry (Jim Leworthy)

1. The OMFLL continues to cooperate with the committee, but the review of all requested documentation has not been completed yet. George MacDonald has been consulted on a number of questions. When the committee has finalized its recommendations, they will be circulated to the Board of Directors for review.

*To adjourn the August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Board of Directors meeting.*

m/ Rick Phillips

s/ Jenn Matheson

**CARRIED.**

Meeting adjourned at 9:02 PM.