



PORT MOODY THUNDER LACROSSE ASSOCIATION

Executive Meeting
October 16/18
8 Timbercrest Drive, Port Moody

Present: Errin Morrison, Stuart Doyle, Michelle Obedzinski, Allen Wales, Dave Zille,
Brent Thompson, Michael Kirby, Bob Bradley, Sarah Engle, Nicky Land
Regrets: Felicia Reamsbottom

1.0 Meeting called to order: 7:05 pm

2.0 Welcome New Executive Member: Michael Kirby – New Player Recruitment

3.0 Approval of Previous Minutes: Minutes from September 4/18 meeting moved by Dave, seconded by Bob, approved

4.0 Additions to Agenda: Stu to discuss Elev8Lacrosse Coaching/Training

5.0 Business arising from previous meeting

- review PMLA List of Actions; no updates reported

6.0 President's Report

- Brent, Dave and Allen attended the BCLA AGM October 12-14,2018 (see Brent's notes circulated earlier)
- Key topics:
 - Releases – Policy created to allow joint teams with another association
 - Concussion testing – PMHA mandatory, PMLA to follow. Already mandated in Ontario. Notify Novice Players and up at registration, keep separate from registration fees as parents can claim through extended health, Managers to set up team to test at one time, event at Icebreaker to give rational, Allen will do cross-referencing for players already completing testing in hockey during same year.
 - Abuse to refs: keep doing what we are doing, we are seeing a positive outcome with zero tolerance rules. Reviewing the "Rules 101" of the game with Novice Parents
 - Tyke 3on3 – What is the best solution for development?

Action: All to evaluate options and be prepared to discuss in November meeting with the hopes of deciding what we will do for 2019

7.0 Treasurer's Report AGM Planning

- We received \$20,000 Provincial Gaming Grant
- Approx. \$80/player equipment and uniforms
- October 31st is fiscal year end please get all receipts into Bob
- Banking moved from RBC to Vancity

Action: Bob to provide 2019 PMLA Operating Budget for November Meeting

8.0 New Business

- **New Player Recruitment:** We round-tabled what had been done in previous years and ideas to increase recruitment. Focus on Ages 4-7, Contact PAC's of local schools, Posters in schools, Community events, Discount on referrals, Port Moody nights at Warrior Games, Warriors at the schools, Social Media, sites in the community to promote. Previous year 20-30 new players. We set a Goal of 80 mini tyke.

Action: Errin, Michelle, Nicky, Allen, Stu to provide lists of PAC emails, Principal emails, Class Rep emails

Action: Errin to provide a list of Pre-schools in Port Moody, Anmore, Belcarra

Action: Mike to contact list to promote registration

- **World 2019 Indoor Lacrosse Sept 19-28, 2018:** Brent to get single game pair tickets to provide as prizes for early registration draw and Wall Ball awards.

Tabled: Up to \$1000 for the purchase of tickets-moved by Michelle, seconded by Errin

Vote Passed: All in Favour

- **Grad Committee:** We received a letter with the request for donation. Some initial discussion on the type of support we should be offering to community. General consensus is that we are not in favor of this type of donation. Will discuss at a later date.
- **Criminal Record Check Process:** The new on-line process has been updated in Risk Management folder. Will investigate putting a link to the system on our website.

Action: Dave to put link to the On-line Criminal Record Check process on our website.

- **2 Adult Rule:** There must always be two adults in any changing room if there is a single child (unless it is their own child). Children are allowed to be alone.

Action: Brent to contact Tom and Jane Hanson to develop a policy

Action: Once complete, Brent to update the Policy in the Team Manager's handbook

- **Volunteers:** We need to foreshadow and find our own replacements. Key positions that need to be replaced; Treasurer (ideally Accounting background), Scheduler, Tournament Coordinator etc. We need help!
 - Allen is looking at the Kamloops model for an on-line shop to handle swag. Allen will do the socks again if necessary
 - Nicky Land agreed to be Scheduler for 2019

Action: Allen to contact Mike Bolam to Volunteer for Swag and Apparel

Action: Allen to confirm Neil to Volunteer for Equipment

Action: Brent to contact Jordan and Callum

Action: Stu to contact Zack to Coach

- **Vancouver Warriors Minor Lacrosse Programming:** Brent is in discussion with Chad Kobzey for Warrior opportunities. Brent will provide an update at a future meeting.
- **Gaming license:** Because we were successful on receiving the Government Gaming Grant, all gaming licences must come through the Executive and Treasurer to ensure that we meet with all of the reporting requirements. Nothing should be done at the team level.
- **Satisfaction Surveys:** Allen will be sending out the Annual Surveys to all of the Association members using Survey Monkey. This should go out in a week or two.

- **Elev8Lacross:** Stu reported on the Elev8Lacross program and what they could do for developing our coaches, players and helping to recruit in schools. He compared this program with other more domestic solutions. It was agreed that one of our weaknesses is our coach training. We want to encourage and retain good coaches for the success of our association. At the moment, we have a lot of coaches stepping up to help out, but with varying degrees of knowledge with the game.

Stu Motioned: To spend up to \$6,000 on Player, and Coach development and recruitment.

Vote Passed: All in Favour

- **City of Port Moody Changes:** Joanne Romer is the new City representative for the Rec Centre. Nicky will work with her too discuss a new sign, and lock, and tournament events.
- **Teamlinkt:** Teamlinkt is a free option to Team Snap that is being tested with PMAHA. We will review this again in January once we get some feedback from the Hockey Association with the potential of providing access to the system as a free option to the paid option of TeamSnap.

Action : Allen to continue to test Teamlinkt.

- **AGM Follow-up Review:** We determined that 7:30 is a good time to start the AGM, with the games and BBQ taking place before hand. We will try and get the Warriors for next year. Allen to live stream the AGM next year. We will keep the Theater venue as it is indoors and provides good space.
 - **September 12th, 2019 next AGM**

Action: Dave to book the venue with the city

- **Registration Time-Table:** We will review at next meeting how many registration tiers we will have- 3 seems ideal. Early-bird registration is December 1, 2018. We will need to define the Registration schedule and amount, Communication strategy and incentives.

Action : Allen to provide the first look at our 2019 teams assuming 100% retention for the next meeting.

9.0 Next meeting: Nov.6, 2018, 7pm at 8 Timbercrest Dr. Port Moody BC

10.0 Meeting adjourned: 9:57pm