Central Alberta Lacrosse League

Board of Directors Meeting

Sunday March 19, 2017

Bottling Room at the Collicut Center

1. Attendance: Evelyn Hamilton-CALL President, Dara Gooder-IMLA, Randy Trevors-Blackfalds, Mike Wood-Lacoka, Rausheen Edwards-Didsbury, Lorae Couchman-Scheduler, Amanda Kinniburgh-Kneehill, Lisa Francis-CALL Treasurer, Cole Smith-RIC, Spencer Podgurski-Assignor, Kim Smyth-CALL Secretary/Stettler, Jeff Murray-Red Deer, Travis St. Germain-Sylvan Lake
2. Called to order: 11:06 by Evelyn
3. Approval of Agenda: Randy/Rausheen
4. Approval of Meeting Minutes: Lisa/Jeff Carried
5. Business arising from the minutes:
6. Reports:
7. President-Numbers are down across the board in all sports, coaching and reffing clinics are underway. Rooms are booked for teams to go to Provincials in Lethbridge.
8. Vice President-No Report
9. Secretary-No Report
10. Treasurer-Chequing account $32962.57

Outstanding: -$10,000

1. Scheduler-The scheduler doesn’t have the full schedule ready but it will be ready by the end of the day. Tyke (12 teams) need a full 12 hours of floor or two floors. Sylvan and Olds didn’t supply specific floor times as their floor is contingent on Junior. Red Deer and Lacoka were both able to supply blocks where their junior team will not be scheduled. Eye Opener won’t work for all Red Deer home games as there are fewer red deer teams. Game reporting procedures and game change forms are updated online.
2. RIC-Clinic numbers have been low with Red Deer to be our final CALL Referee clinic. We really need to push for more referees.
3. Discipline-Nothing so far
4. Casino Chair-Monies are to go towards referee and coach development
5. Club Reports:
6. Didsbury-Board of Directors has changed slightly. 1 Bantam, 1 Pw, 1 novice, 1 tyke, released 7 Midgets. Brand new Midget goalie gear and jerseys. Practices are starting now. Planning to recognize the 150 at the Tyke festival. Fundraising ideas are underway, and have a lot of floor time. Taj Mahal floor sealer is being used on the floor as it’s cheaper.
7. Olds-will be sending a report. The facility for the ref clinic had been cancelled, but was able to be opened and all was well.
8. Kneehill-Midget numbers are good. Getting floor in Drumheller for practices. Roughnecks are coming to the schools

d) Stettler- Our numbers are currently at Mini Tyke-5, Tyke -14, Novice -19, Peewee -10, Bantam -18 for a total of 66 players, down considerably from previous years. We’ll likely be asking for approval of some of our Novices to be moved up to Peewee, but are hopeful we can bully a few more kids to play at that age group! We’ll also keep looking for another mini tyke player.

e) Innisfail-Asking about a paper trail regarding releases, when a player comes from one club that may not have a team available that year. Two Bantam teams, evals starting today. Midget 19 pe 12 nov 16 tyke 10 mini 9 X2 Still looking for a few more coaches.

1. Red Deer-A teams in Bantam and Midget. Deep into B evals, 2 Midget, 2 Bantams, 3 Peewee, 4 Novice, 4 tyke 3 minis
2. Blackfalds-Mini 1, 1 Tyke, 1 Novice, 1 Peewee, 1 Bantam, 1 Midget. Fundraisers are underway. Get floor on March 30th.
3. Lacoka-10mini, 22 tyke, 18 novice, 21 peewee, 29 bantam, 19 22 female
4. Sylvan-1 mini tyke, 1 tyke, 1 novice, 2 peewee 1 bantam. Been using gym floor so far for practice. Get floor in April.

8. Old Business:

 a) Ref Development position-Mentorship program restructuring specific to CALL as the ALRA has not been reliable. Will be using the Eye Opener as a basline to begin the mentorship process where the evaluations will be done at Novice. Every new official will be placed on a scale of priority for mentorship throughout all of CALL. Higher level officials will be evaluated once, or twice from a non-biased official from GELC hopefully. This is all being done in the hopes of bringing about more confident and knowledgeable officials in the coming seasons. Budget wise: We’d like to put aside $2000-$3000 to implement this program. Ref Development personnel, could be chosen by the RIC, as a person to contact regarding referees, their development, and primarily looking after the young officials and to work with the mentors in the mentorship program.

Cole moves that we have the Ref development person. Seconded by Mike Carried

Mike moves that CALL allow for a $3000 budget (from our casino proceeds) to be set aside for the Mentorship program for 2017. Seconded by Rausheen. Carried.

9. New Business:

1. Moving A tryouts to before we declare teams in the seasons forward

-Red Deer will take it to their board.

1. Insight on why numbers are down

-LTAD program and possible changes (Perhaps petitioning to change the 3 minute shift)

-economics, other sports and activities (camping as a family-RV sales are way up!)

-lack of promotion

1. Play off format-needs to be decided by April meeting.

10. Adjournment-12:44pm

Next meeting: April 30th at 6 pm Venue TBA

**Discussion regarding the late schedule**. The contract states that the schedule was to be here by noon on March 19th. We only received the eye opener schedule, but are aware of the changes we made by asking for an extension for a couple of clubs.

-Kim moves that a $50 fine be applied today, seconded by Amanda. CARRIED

Further discussion: If the schedule is not finished by noon March 20th, an additional $50 fine will be assigned. If the full schedule is not received by Noon on Tuesday, March 21st an additional $50 fine will be assigned and the contract will be terminated. Motion by Mike, second by Jeff CARRIED