Edmonton Ringette

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

EFCL Building – 7103- 105 Street, Edmonton

Wednesday August 19, 2015

At 7:00pm

In Attendance:

Brian Hoyano (President) Jon Gosche (U16 Director)

Kristy Turner (Registrar) MP Duxbury (Evaluations Director)

Rob Corscadden (Vice President – Fundraising) Ken Hogan (Goalie Director)

Sharon Giles (Vice President - Marketing) Kathy Lukas (U19 Director)

Kim Patten (U14/Open Director) Chris Birmingham (Player Development)

Carla Walker (Ice Allocator) Scott Patten (Equipment Director)

Alexis Snowdon (Active Start Director) Shannon Langstrom (Internal Director)

Quorum reached.

1. Meeting called to order at 7:08pm.

2. Approval of Agenda – **MOTION**: to approve agenda, moved by Kim Patten and seconded by Kristy Turner .

3. Approval of Minutes **MOTION**: to approve the minutes from the July 15, 2015 meeting as amended, moved by Scott Patten and seconded by Rob Corscadden.

4. Registration Update - (Kristy Turner/Shannon Langstrom) - Current Numbers Active Start 1 - 21 ; Active Start 2 - 18 ; U10 - 75 ; U12 - 43; U14 - 58 ; U16 - 49; U19 - 45 Total - 309. These numbers include all AA players registered through our website. With these current numbers we are looking at 3 U16 teams and 2 U19 teams. Discussed the fact that the Active Start 1’s have more players than the Active Start 2’s. We are close to closing off the registrations for Active Start 1.  **ACTION**: Alexis Snowdon to contact all 2009 Active Start 1 registrants to see if they want to move to Active Start 2, Shannon Langstrom to post on the website only 5 spots left for Active Start 1. Fort Saskatchewan has contacted us regarding accepting a few U16 players and 3 U19 players into our U16 A and U19A program as they will not have one. Discussion happened around this issue and no formal decision was made as we need to see what our numbers are closer to evaluation time.

5. Coaching – (Shannon Langstrom) – Brad Kilgour the current coaching director is busy in Fort McMurray with work until the end of October, Jon Gosche offered to be the interim coaching director. Our application Numbers are as follows: Active Start - 1 for Head Coach/5 for Assistant Coach; U10 – 2 for Head Coach/8 for Head Coach OR Assistant Coach/9 for Assistant Coach; U12 – 3 for Head Coach/4 for Assistant Coach; U14 – 2 for Head Coach/3 for Head Coach OR Assistant Coach/5 for Assistant Coach; U16 – 1 for Head Coach/3 for Head Coach OR Assistant Coach; U19 – 1 for Head Coach/1 for Head Coach OR Assistant Coach/2 for Assistant Coach. Coaching Selection worked well last season with a different 3 board members for each division with no conflict of interest meeting to select the coaches. Committees are as follows for Coach Selection: U10 – Chris Birmingham, Alexis Snowdon, Carla Walker ; U12 – Ken Hogan, Kristy Turner, Kim Patten; U14 – Rob Corscadden, Jon Gosche, Marcie Arnold; U16 – Brian Hoyano, MP Duxbury, Sharon Giles; U19 – Brian Hoyano, MP Duxbury, Sharon Giles. This season coach training looks quite differently. For all coaches there will be a generic MED course (CSI and CI combined), it will be 3 hours on an evening (this course only needs to be taken once, however the online portion remains the same.) CSI will then consist of 1 more 3 hour evening of pre course material and then 1 full Saturday of classroom and ice time. CI will consist of 1 Friday night, and a full Saturday and Sunday of classroom and ice time, followed by the evaluation for certification. All coaches will also be required to accumulate 10 points over the next 5 years for Professional Development, Caleigh Shaw is currently working on a list of courses that will be considered. Coaching the female athlete on September 11th and 12th in Sherwood Park will qualify. Edmonton Ringette will only be hosting 2 of the 3 hour evening sessions, and 1 CSI course Caleigh Shaw will contact Shannon Langstrom once she knows facilitators availability to schedule the time. This is also the season where all U12A and up teams will require the CI training for certifications. Looking at a tentative date of October 6th and 13th for the Coaches Meeting.

6. Treasurer’s Report – (Chris Kearney) – Chris not in attendance

7. Equipment for Evaluations/Goalies – (Scott Patten) – Pinnies have been ordered and have come in under budget. Pinnies are in and look good, 5 sets of 18 numbered 2-19 in red and black. Ken Hogan bought a set of goalie pads, Brad Kilgour has a set of goalie pads to sell and Brian Hoyano has a set of 34” to donate.

8. Open – (Kim Patten) - NAIT Open Team has folded, and wishes to request a refund of the $1000 deposit. Carla Walker confirmed that no ice has been paid for specifically for that team so therefore that should not hold back the refund, even though the deposit is usually non – refundable this team is new and was not aware of the policy, therefore we can refund the deposit. **ACTION:** Shannon Langstrom to set up the refund with Chris Kearney. Kim Patten asked if Open A will be permitted to take part in silver Ring this season and based on ice availability we are not sure yet. Carla Walker suggested contacting West Edmonton Mall possibly for the U10’s and then maybe we could include the Open A’s. ACTION: Carla to check on ice at WEM.

9. Oilers 50/50/Casino Update – (Rob Corscadden) – Our application for the Oilers 50/50 this year has been declined. There are 21 spots for hockey/Ringette associations and they had 40 applications. We should get one again next season. Our Casino dates are February 16 & February 17, 2016, we will have approximately 30 shifts to fill. The question came up regarding splitting the shifts, Jon Gosche offered to call to find out if that is possible. It was also suggested we have a solid back up list filled.

10. Evaluations – (MP Duxbury/Brian Hoyano) – MP is all set, evaluation schedule is close to ready just a few adjustments to make after we determined division team numbers. U19 should only need 2 evaluations, and the U16’s will only require 1 more skate after the U16A team is formed. A sub meeting will be scheduled for division directors before evaluations begin.

11. Apparel – (Kathy Lukas) - Kathy Lukas not in attendance. UR Store has been set up and we all took a look on our phones. The question was asked if we are able to add more and yes at a later date if we see fit we can. **MOTION:** to approve the UR Store website and selections currently setup on there, moved by Ken Hogan and seconded by Kristy Turner, passed.

12. Marketing/Come Try Ringette – (Sharon Giles) – Poster promoting registration went up last week at the 5 arenas that host public skates and will be up until mid-September. Wall boards are currently being worked on decisions regarding what arenas they should go into. St. Albert hired someone to do the marketing for them and Sharon has been working with her. Come Try Ringette schedules have been difficult to set up a this point due to schedule conflicts but in light of our current numbers it was decided that we will not schedule one a this time. Friday night of the Silver Ring the Oil Kings have a home game and have approached Sharon Giles regarding hosting “Ringette Night” that evening. Tickets would be purchased through OilKings. They sell the tickets for $17 and are suggesting we could sell them for $20 for a bit of a fundraiser. In exchange for this they would give us a 50/50 game, a Chuck a Puck game and or have some of their players come out to Terwilligar over the weekend. **ACTION:** Sharon Giles to find out more information regarding this event. For example how many tickets would we be expected to sell, etc…

13. Player Development – (Chris Birmingham) – STM will be taking the Tuesday nights at Crestwood and the Fridays at Grand Trunk. **ACTION:** Chris Birmingham to work out the ideal numbers of players per slot, and cost for a 18 week session starting the week of October 6th, with a Christmas break. Once this is determined a registration form and description of the program to be provided to Shannon Langstrom to place on the website.

14. Goalie Development – (Ken Hogan) – 5 count came out with a proposed package including schedule of fees and what they offer. Ken Hogan would like to set up a week night with them to come out for approximately 15 coaches and U10 and U14 goalie. Possibly the 3rd week of October and depending on attendance maybe a second session at the end of December. We will be continuing with Gold In the Net and Brian Hoyano to show Ken Hogan how to go about the scheduling. We had a U19A coach Application come through for Brienne Patton and Ken Hogan has contacted her to ask if she is willing to help out with our goalie development as she has previously played and has coached and is currently teaching with 5 Count, she is willing to help out at a cost of $75/hour.

15. Administrative Items – (Shannon Langstrom) – Photos - November 8th Studios Photography has been booked for team pictures. The cost depends on the contract we choose. If we use them for just one year we the association pay $13/player, if we go with a 3 year contract then we are looking at $10/player. For this fee each player will get an individual combined with the team photo. Each player will have the option of purchasing other items ie: trader cards, mugs etc…For this booking we do not need to rent Blair Oko which will save us approximately $900, they have a studio and have a rink back drop as well they are creating a locker room back drop which we will have the option of choosing. **MOTION:** to sign for 1 year to see how it goes in the hopes of signing a 3 year contract next season. Payment to be requested from team managers at the start of the season to recover costs to the federation, moved by Brian Hoyano and seconded by Sharon Giles. GoalLine has contacted Shannon Langstrom to explain a few upgrades. One is in the form of a smartphone/tablet app and they will send a detailed email shortly regarding this, this app upgrade is at no cost to the federation. However they have an upgrade for the website that comes at a cost of $500. It is a one-time cost and our annual fee will remain the same. The upgrade is very design based. Shannon has asked some questions and is waiting for some answers for example, what kind of work is required after the upgrade takes place? Sharon Giles to take a look at the website proposal as well.

16. Admin Position Renewal – (Brian Hoyano) - Will wait for Chris Kearney to be present to approve this.

17. Small Net Budget Item – (Brian Hoyano) – Ringette Alberta paid for the small nets but will be billing back the associations, will approve when Chris Kearney is present.

18. Tournament Guidelines – (Brian Hoyano) – Tournament guidelines will remain the same this season as last, however if at the end of the season a team wants to wrap up with another tournament and all parents involved are okay with it then should we allow it? MOTION: to adjust the wording in the tournament policy to allow for participation tournaments after the BGL Season has concluded, moved by Rob Corscadden seconded by Chris Birmingham, carried.

19. 2015 Worlds Prep Camp – SPRA - Clareview, 2017 Nationals – Leduc– Volunteers – (Brian Hoyano) – There is a National Team Prep Camp taking place in our area in October, this is being hosted by Sherwood Park. Sherwood Park has requested the use of Clareview arena as it is Olympic size, in exchange they would provide us with practice ice in Sherwood Park. In 2017 Leduc is hosting AA Nationals in order to so this they will require help and volunteers from other associations, we have agreed to help and that season we may need to consider upping our volunteer commitment to 2 duties.

20. U10 ABC’s/Divisions – (Brian Hoyano) – Brian Hoyano asked if Active Start would be interested in using the ABC’s this season Alexis Snowdon said yes. It was also determined that all 3 steps in U10 will benefit from the program so therefore Brian Hoyano will order enough for all divisions – 140.

21. Board Vacancies – Interim Coaching Director – Jon Gosche; Volunteer Coordinator – Deneen Webb?; Volunteer Cheques – Lisa Ladd had offered, but Kristy said she could do.

22. Next Meeting – September 16, 2015 @ 7:00pm

Sub – Committee meeting to be arranged either September 1st 7pm, Somagen Office for division directors.

23. **MOTION:** – to adjourn 9:53pm, moved by Sharon Giles, seconded by Rob Corscadden.