Leduc Ringette Association  
Agenda  
May 30, 2018 – @ 7:30PM  
Rotary Room, LRC

Regrets: Karen Clark, Crystal Kardelis, Angela Hewlett, Dean Charpentier, Christine Pittman

1. Call to Order **7:33pm**
2. Approval of March minutes **Pam motions, Kristine seconds.**
3. Additions to Agenda
4. Reports/Updates – Read prior to meeting:
5. President's Report – Chelsea Cameron

* **Email to be sent to all board members regarding attendance, reporting and notifications.**

1. Vice President – Kari Baker

* **No report.**

1. Treasurer's Report –Kristine Gullickson

* Bank balance as of May 30, 2018: $89607.10
* **BGL says we owe $217.23 for U10 playdowns.**
* **$180 in outstanding cheques. Are close to being stale-dated.**

1. Secretary – Vacant

* Michelle Sallenback is unable to fulfill the role of secretary as a fulltime position.
* Natasha Hancharuk is interested in the position.
* **Kari nominates Natasha for the position of secretary. Natasha accepts nomination – no other nominations presented. All in favor. Natasha is the new secretary.**

1. Ice Allocator's Report – Angela Hewlett

* Ice request has been sent in – we should have contract by July 1st at which time I would like to sit down with Dean and plan the first skates and set dates for evaluations.

1. Referee-In-Chief's Report – Christine Pittman

* No report.

1. Equipment Manager's Report – Jackie Jones

* **Jackie to do inventory of storage locker.**

1. Registrar's Report – Kerri McKinnon

* Last year 138 players registered
* As of May 27, 2018, there are 73 registered players:

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| Division | Number Registered | Change from Last Year |
| Active Start | 0 | -3 |
| U10 | 21 | -3 |
| U12 | 17 | +4 |
| U14 | 12 | -5 |
| U16 | 12 | +6 |
| U19 | 9 | -7 |
| Open | 2 | +1 |
| Total registered  as of May 27th | 73 | -7 |

* If all eligible players, less open players, return we would have rosters totaling 122 players. We currently have 60% of eligible players registered to date. This is an increase of 6% from same time last year.
* For the 2018/19 Season preliminary (eligible to register from the past season) numbers include:

U10 ~ 37 players

U12 ~ 24 players

U14 ~ 19 players

U16 ~ 17 players

U19 ~ 25 players

* Releases: none received to date
* Withdrawals: none received to date
* Requesting a move up/down: One received – U10 player looking to play up to U12
* NOTE: Please remind families to register before July 1st to avoid the $200 late fee

1. Zone 5 Rep. Report – Pam Horn

* BGL Executive is remaining mostly the same; they are looking for someone to fill the Ref-in-Chief position
* There were 2162 games scheduled for league, 215 blackout requests, 198 rescheduled games (113 due to weather), and only 1 fine issued.
* There will be some adjustment to game time restrictions – mostly moving times that teams must be home by. The changes are: U10 teams would be home by 9 pm Sunday – Thursday and 9:30 pm on Friday and Saturday. U12 teams would be home by 9:30 pm on Sunday – Thursday and 10:00 pm on Friday and Saturday. U16/19 teams would have time extended to 11:00 pm on Friday and Saturday. Hopefully these times will appease some parent concerns for the U10 and U12 groups and allow for more usable time slots for the U16/19 groups.
* Ringette Canada is looking at moving to/mandating one platform to be used by all Ringette Associations in the future. They are currently looking at Goal line, so some website changes may be soon for many Associations.
* There were issues during U10 playoffs this year, so the policy is being reviewed. They are looking at no longer using a double-knockout tournament format, but more of a wrap-up weekend with all teams playing the same number of games and no medals awarded.
* There were issues this season with abusive fans and coaches (toward referees or players). We need to come up with solutions to curb this behavior. Some suggestions include having one team parent every game be responsible for ‘policing’ the crowd; to have regular Coach and Official meetings with Q&A sessions; stressing to coaches throughout the season to not be yelling, disrespectful and aggressive toward referees; holding teams and coaches responsible for their parents/fans.
* NARRA has proposed changes to our policies, some minor and some more major. Please review the policies once they are approved and on-line.
* Change to NARRA fee schedule will result in increased fees for the season. U10 fees up from $20 to $22 per game, U14 up from $25 to $27 per game, U16 up from $30 to $32 per game. The admin fee for games assigned by NARRA is $7 per game. Associations will be billed the admin fee for games cancelled within 120 hours (5 days) of the game start time and will be billed the game fees for games cancelled within 48 hours of the games start time.
* The BGL and NRL are requesting that all Associations host 2 NRL games and cover the costs. If your Association is requested to host more, then the fees would be paid by the NRL.
* The NRL is willing to come out and run a practice if we would like (probably at a cost, but not sure), and would like to hear feedback from the games we hosted last season.
* U14 and U16 AA will have their own divisions in BGL again this season. U19AA will have one if they reach 5 teams.
* Fort McMurray has requested that policy be changed to reflect that their home ice is in Fort McMurray and not Plamondon. They can no longer afford to subsidize teams travelling up to them to play league games, so any teams now required to travel there will only receive $500 subsidy from BGL.
* The league schedule will be starting one week later (so Oct. 12 for U12 – 19 and Oct. 19 for U10). Games sessions will be 8 games. Teams will play 6 games before repooling, and then will have 2 more games scheduled in the 2-week period before the second session starts. These 2 games will not count toward repooling or ranking for yearend playdowns. Christmas break will be Sunday Dec. 23 to Sunday Jan. 6.
* RAB – is looking for ways to make Ringette less expensive for players and their families.
* Limit the number of tournaments that teams can play in, especially out of town tournaments.
* Design tournaments so that out of town teams do not have to stayover Thursday nights. U10 teams should only play 3 games over Friday and Saturday so that there is only one night required for hotel.
* U10 games in the future may only be played on half ice.
* UAAs will be status quo again this season.
* Teams can be moved [up or down] by leagues, including AA teams.

1. Fundraising & Bingo Report – Crystal Kardelis

* Oilers 50/50 application has been submitted for this season.

1. Coach Coordinator – Vacant

* **Troy Thember has expressed interest in coming back on the board. To be advised that he needs to attend meeting to follow process of being nominated and accepted into position.**

1. Manager Coordinator – Karen Clark

* No Report.

1. Player Dev. Report – Dean Charpentier
2. Social Media Director – Erin Black

* **Erin to be added to social media accounts.**

1. Tournament Coordinator's Report – Vacant

* Nothing to report.

1. Webmaster Report – Vacant

* Nothing to report.

1. PR & Marketing – Brenda Goddu

* **Will have more information for June meeting on finding one vendor to supply apparel. Will have some pricing options, etc.**

1. Unfinished Business:
   1. Goalies – Offers, incentives for U10, U12 & U14.
2. New Business
   1. **Jerseys – tabled until June meeting.**
   2. **Blackgold Rodeo Parade – L.A. Nissan & Local Meats coming out for parade. No decorating will be happening. Handing out free registration coupons and wrist bands. Will be meeting at the same place as last year – beside Safeway.**
   3. **Banking Options – Kristine to investigate some other options. CIBC charges us a lot of fees, even to deposit money.**
   4. **Come Try Ringette/Bring a buddy – Tabled until June meeting.**
3. Next Meeting: **TBD – 3rd week in June most likely.**
4. Adjournment: **8:33pm**