Leduc Ringette Association  
Agenda  
November 14, 2016  
Kosmo’s Kitchen, 7PM

Regrets: Serena Heintz

Guests:

**In Attendance: Chelsea Cameron, Kari Baker, Kristine Gullickson, Bonnie Lammie, Craig Stuparyk, Pam Horn, Mike Baker, Mel Milne, Todd Merriot, Denise Broadbent, Christine Pittman**

1. Call to Order – 7:07 pm
2. Approval of October minutes – **Pam approves, Chelsea seconds, all in favor**
3. Additions to Agenda
4. Reports/Updates – Read prior to meeting:
5. President's Report – Chelsea Cameron
6. Past President - Ryan Heck
7. Vice President – Kari Baker

**U12C team is having troubles. Mike Baker is helping coach, Serena has been helping team and Kari has had a parent meeting. Parents were told at the meeting that the team will not succeed if the parents won’t let them and they need to respect the coach.**

**There is a special needs child on this team. We need to reach out to Ringette Alberta to see what they suggest (i.e.: an aid on the ice for that child specifically). There is a place called Zone Performance that specializes with a registered sports psychologist & ADHD. See if the parents can reach out to them.**

**Board Decision: Advise Tasha that the board supports her when she needs to remove that child from the ice when that child’s or any other child’s safety might be affected.**

1. Treasurer's Report –Kristine Gullickson

* Bank Balance as of November 8th - $59544.44

1. Secretary - Bonnie Lammie
2. Ice Allocator's Report – Ken Milne

* Second session ice is submitted.
* Blackout dates are submitted.
* 5 unused ice times this year. Mostly due to out of town games leaving too few teams available to play. To short a time frame to return the ice.
* 12 reschedule requests in session 1.  1 was withdrawn, one was rejected.  10 others accommodated. This is more than last year already. But no problems with any associations involved. All changes made from first ice times offered.  Kudos to all the teams involved for being agreeable and accommodating.
* Session 2 starts Nov 24.   I will be in Winnipeg when the schedule is released.  I will do what I can in the evenings to utilize ice not used by games.  Prepare teams for short notice practices starting that weekend.

**Todd volunteered to help with the schedule if needed.**

* Once the schedule is out, there may be some arena juggling small time variances to accommodate and LRC request.  2 specific weekends. Only a couple weekend slots. If they are games I may reject the request due to short notice. If practices I will accommodate the changes for the sake of the good relationship, we have built.

1. Referee-In-Chief's Report – \*\*Open Position\*\*

* Christine Pittman is interested in taking this position over again.

**Christine Pittman accepts this position**

**Will also help schedule refs for the tournament**

1. Equipment Manager's Report - Craig Stuparyk

* New jerseys arrived and handed out, incl jersey bags
* Sponsor bars are in for U12A so those will get done Wednesday and back in time for next session.
* Goal equipment needs seem to have been met, enough equip to go around.
* New game sheets are in and available as needed.

**See if we can get a Keely glove, ringette trapper or use a ball hockey glove for goalies**

1. Registrar's Report – Pam Horn
   * + I have registered a male hockey goalie to help out the U14 team, as well as a couple of new Active Start players.
     + Our **total number of registered players is 147** (24 at Active Start). Keep in mind that the Beaumont players (7) and the Drayton Valley players (6) that joined us this season may not be back next season, as well as the 2 hockey goalies that are helping us out.
     + Referees have been registered with RAB.
     + Affiliated Players have been registered with RAB.
     + All teams have updated Roster lists and RAB TRFs.
     + There may be one more AS player joining. I would like to close down registrations now and not accept any new ones (unless a registered player moves in from out of town). **NEED VOTE??**

**Chelsea motions to close registrations, Craig seconds the motion, all in favor.**

* + - Denise and I attended the Leduc Chamber of Commerce Luncheon. We sold 50/50 tickets and came away with $133 since the winner donated their winnings back to us.
    - Team Staff Registered – 59 (possibly 60)

Active Start – 4 + 2 On-Ice Assistants (Sheldon H is duplicate)

U10S1-1 - 4 + 2 On-Ice Assistants

U10S1-2 - 7

U10S2-1 - 5 + 1 Junior coach

U12C – 5 + 1 On-Ice Assistant (Mike B is duplicate)

U12A – 5

U14B – 6 + 1 Junior coach **?? DISCUSSION**

U16B – 5 (Dwayne M is duplicate)

U16A – 6 + **possibly** 1 On-Ice Assistant (goalie)

U19A – 5

**Each team needs to have two female coaches and they need to utilize parents that are already certified.**

We agreed to 5 team staff per team, which would be 50. The duplicates and Junior Coaches will not cost extra RAB fees, which brings number paying for to 54. Should we just pay the extra $20 x 4, or charge specific teams over the 5 limit? Need to discuss each team due to different circumstances.

**Approval for all coaches we have listed and we will pay the extra.**

**Manager cannot be on the bench for anything that is sanctioned by Ringette Alberta**

1. Zone 5 Rep. Report – Pam Horn

* The paperwork for U12A to Retreat to U12B has been submitted to BGL.
* The paperwork for U16B Male player approval has been submitted to BGL.
* Repooling meeting is on Tuesday, Nov. 15.

1. Fundraising & Bingo Report – \*\*Open Position\*\*

* Raffle tickets have been sent out to all required players, we have a few extra books if anyone would like to sell them.

**Need to be back by December 1st**

1. Coach Coordinator - Mike Baker

* Working on getting a few remaining coaches certified. I have an updated list of who needs what with RAB. Record checks are coming in, working with Shawn Cuff to have them all completed and handed in before the deadline of December 1. Would like to help in the scheduling of the U14 & U16 goalie situation for the second half schedule.

**Intervention check deadline extended as it take a lot longer to process these**

1. Manager Coordinator - Serena Heintz

Serena regretfully resigns from this position on the board, due to relocation.   
  
I will continue to answer manager questions brought to me, and can send the last reminder for provincials "commitment to play" before Dec 15.  
Chelsea can you confirm the Association will reimburse these costs to teams that follow through with play downs, as in past years?   
  
Notes for tonight/ closing notes for anyone needing to know:  
I have two managers left to complete their certification. Both have plans to complete by week's end and I will follow up.   
  
All blackout dates, affiliate forms, retreat requests have been filed with Pam.   
  
One late game sheet filed by U10S1-1. This has been corrected. If BGL fines us please contact me as manager filed on time but was a website error. I can pass along further details if this is brought up.   
  
Session 2 released Nov 20.   
Possibility of last minute practices allocated by Ken has been communicated to all managers.   
  
U12C complaint by parent against Head Coach may be brought forth to Ringette Alberta. Complaint is decidedly unfounded, perhaps vindictive in nature; Mike Baker is handling, Kari has been informed at this point. Mike, Kari, and I have all stepped in to help this team with additional coaching (Mike), team building (Myself) and parent meetings (Kari). Aside from this complaint we hope this group is headed in the right direction.   
  
One "report a score" incident of listing goals against which did not fit on one game sheet. (U12C: 26-3) While this is rare, it is the responsibility of the Home Team to keep proper records of goals by their scorekeeper (additional score sheet or notes signed by ref) both team managers should keep track of true score.   
  
I will send along all LRA Word Documents ASAP (P&Ps/ Bylaws etc.) for updating ease at season's end.   
  
U14B Manager aware of a single player non-agreement for Social Media release and will work at getting creative with photos. Make sure the Board is aware not to post U14B team photos.   
  
All teams have been challenged to take part in helping their community this holiday season. Most team Managers have begun those plans (Ronald McDonald House/ food bank etc.) Mel will blast on Social Media as Jaguars give back.

**Mike will help out with this position. Chelsea will approach Kari McKinnon to see if she would be interested.**

1. Player Dev. Report – \*\*Open Position\*\*

**Goalie Clinics – Jonathan at United Cycle runs a goalie clinic and might come out to us**

**Todd’s daughter, MacKenzie, will come out to help with the younger goalies as a goalie instructor.**

**Goalie academy in Beaumont- we would have to go there**

1. Social Media Director: Mel Milne

* Can individual teams have their own social media accounts? If acceptable, what are the steps required to proceed?

**No, teams cannot have their own social media accounts that are associated with Leduc Ringette.**

1. Tournament Coordinator's Report – Todd Merriott & 1-Open Position

* Total # of teams in Wild Thing Tournament - 48
* Teams accepted:
  + 4 AS Teams – **Full**
  + 6 U10 Step 1 Teams **- FULL**
  + 7 U10 Step 2 Teams - **FULL**
  + 4 U12 C Team – **FULL**
  + 4 U12 B Teams - **FULL**
  + 4 U12A Teams – **FULL**
  + 4 U14 B Teams - **FULL**
  + 4 U16 B Teams - **FULL**
  + 4 U16A Teams – **FULL**
  + 4 Open Teams – **FULL**

**U19 Team did not get into the Esso tournament. We will see if we can make a U19 division.**

1. Webmaster Report – \*\*Open Position\*\*
2. PR & Marketing – Denise Broadbent

* Some adjustments need to be made to the website to honor commitments to the sponsors:
  + Need scrolling logo on home page or all sponsors noted on home page
  + Need a listing and a hyperlink for Prairie Dental, Local Meats, LA Nissan on the links page…recommend creating a separate section on this page for our sponsors
  + Need Prairie Dental, and Local Meats added to our Sponsor Page
  + Need Tm Hortons logo to appear on the ‘front page’ of our website

**Tournament Sponsorship notes:**

* Reminder that all LRA sponsors should be recognized as PLATINUM level sponsors at our tournament
* United Cycle has also committed to become the medal Sponsors for the Wild Thing tournament
* Recommend seeking donated GOLF items for the silent auction to build on the partnership we have with Alberta Golf
* Either Triple Flip or Ivivva will be coming on board as a sponsor. Will give Triple Flip a little more time to confirm.
* Panago is often interested in supporting the volunteers at events.
* Year of Cheer sponsor is already secured. They wish all recognition to be the U19 team
* Recommend for tournament organizers to return to the sponsors from last year.

Other

* Need someone to take the lead on the Skate Path event during Frostival

**Sending out an email everyone in the association to look for volunteers for this.**

* U14B will be going in the Santa Claus Parade with LA Nissan
* We have approval to put a Ringette Cabinet inside the Sobeys Rink at the LRC. As ringette is rarely played or practiced there, Denise will try to get approval for an alternate location
* We need to develop a plan for how the mascot will be used.
* Merchandise program deadline is Friday. If there are not enough items ordered, I would like to recommend that LRA buy a few items for re-sale or for use in the tournament or as ‘gifts’.
* Denise will attend the Sponsorship Forum and is seeking payment of half of the $80 fee from LRA.

**Chelsea motions that the association covers half the cost of this forum for Denise to attend, Pan seconds, all in favor.**

**Denise requesting permission to purchase 100 window stickers, 4 Welcoming Magnets for our current sponsors and more for future sponsors. Chelsea motions to approve, Craig seconds, all in favor.**

1. Unfinished Business:
   1. Goalies – Offers, incentives for U10, U12 & U14.
   2. Open Jerseys – Have they been returned as promised?

**Keep Trying. Can contact Ringette Alberta to see what can be done in regards to this.**

* 1. Mascot Naming Contest – Mascot name is Ringer.

**Voting – All in favor of the name Ringer**

* 1. Open Board Positions
     1. Fundraising
     2. Tournament Coordinator (1)
     3. Webmaster
     4. Player Development Coordinator
     5. Manager Coordinator

1. New Business
   1. Does active start need their own ice and do we do stages?
   2. NRL Game – U110S1-2, U10S1-1 to participate as well as hopefully U12A & C. Wam November 26th. 12:15 & 7:30 – both games are 2 hours in length. Anyone know someone who might want to sing at this event?
   3. Criminal Record checks? Who is taking care of the documentation? **– See** **Coach Coordinator section**

**Ringette Alberta Commitment to Attend Play downs – We will table paying teams back for their commitment to attend.**

1. Next Meeting: TBD – Will be after the tournament.

1. Adjournment: 10:00PM