

**Red Deer Ringette Association Meeting** March 12, 2015 7:00 pm KinCity Arena Meeting Room

Chris Malo

⊠ James Ward

## **Meeting Minutes**

Executive Member Attendees:	-	
🛛 Darren Blair	🖾 Darcy Brown	🛛 Darren Garbe
🛛 Terri Wilkins	🛛 Robyn Maddox	🛛 Candy Towers

## **Regrets:**

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Wendy Glover

## **Association Members in Attendance:** $\boxtimes$

Mike Sullivan	🔀 Braden Kilpatrick
Kirstin Strachey	🛛 Chad Erickson
Dana Hannett	Chad Scotvold

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Item	Discussion	Follow up by
1. Welcome and Introductions – Wendy Glover	Meeting called to order at 7:03 by Candy Towers	
2. Adoption of Agenda	Motion by Darren Garbe	
	Second By Darren Blair	
3. Approval of Minutes from February 12, 2015	Motion by Darcy Brown	
	Second by Terri Wilkins	
4. Treasurer Report – Darren Blair	Year to date income statement presented by Darren Blair.	
	Many expenses still need to be incurred before a year end net balance can be estimated.	
	Registration fees:	
	Steady growth throughout the past 5 years, ice rental rates have grown at a higher rate.	
	Darren wants association to consider more fundraising to factor into annual operating costs, or do we consider an increase to registration fees	
5. New Business		
5.1. Concussion protocol	Postpone to next meeting – Terri has been collecting information on concussions in sports. She is aware of a number of concussions this year. Terri is working with an emergency physician for concussion evaluations, baseline testing. There is a program at RDC who do baseline evaluations.	

	Terri will bring more information in future meetings. If members want more information in the short term, they can contact Terri Wilkins at	
5.2. U10 Survey (Mike and James)	U10 Registrations for 2015-16 season is going to be divided into Stage 1, Stage 2 and Stage 3 again. The number at each level is determined by numbers registering and how individual players evaluate.	
	Mike Sullivan is suggesting a U10 survey go to parents in advance of the evaluation process. With the recent changes to the Staging of U10, he suggests it will be beneficial to get some information out to members as early as possible, as many members have been requesting this. Candy suggests that the timing of a survey is important, and perhaps the questions could be posed at the time as registration, as part of the RAMP registration.	
	Discussion about evaluation into stages by age vs skill level. Should all entry level players be placed in Stage 1, or do we keep the older players in Stage 2 only.	
	Black Gold has identified that they welcome Red Deer Ringette back into the Stage 3 league. RDR will report registrations and evaluations to Black Gold in the fall and team/league discussions will occur.	
	A U10 Zone meeting will occur at a to be determined time. U10 registrants will be notified by email of the meeting date and time.	
5.3. BGL medals	BGL is paying for medals for the number 1 team in the Black divisions.	
	Darren Garbe reported that BGL provides banners. If players sign, they have to sign the back, but they cannot be signed on the front.	
5.4. Registration fees	Reviewed registration fees. Compared 10 Ringette Associations fee schedules and hockey fees in Red Deer. Red Deer is the lowest in the province for fees.	Executive to consider registration fees for
	U10 members make up 50% of registration numbers.	2015/16 season.
	Consideration will be made by the executive until the next monthly meeting related to increasing registration fees – annually, or bi-annually.	
	Possible consideration of \$50/ registrant increase.	Wendy – to develop
	James suggested a letter be sent to the City of Red Deer Recreation department to inform them that there are opportunities for RD Ringette to grow, so they are aware of the potential to increase registrants and involvement in the sport. The association does not have an ability to grow as ice is at full demand and team sizes are at maximum capacity at this point.	a letter to City of Red Deer
5.5. Canadian Ringette Championships U16AA and U19AA	Fort McMurray (FMM) hosting Canadian Ringette Championships. Many kids from across the province are playing on the FMM team.	
Directors Reports		

6.	.1. Ice Allocation – Wendy Glover	We need a new Ice Allocator for next year. Mike Sullivan would consider this if someone takes over the Ref scheduling.	
6.	.2. Coaching – Greg Swenson	Tabled to next meeting	
6.	.3. Bunny/Novice Evaluations – Terri Wilkins	No report	
6.	.4. Evaluations – Petite and up – Candy Towers	No report	
6.	.5. Referee in Chief – Lori Kindopp	Next year is a rule change year. All refs will need to take a course, and additional expenses to the Association will be incurred to do the course.	
6.	.6. Referee Scheduling – Mike Sullivan	No report	
6.	.7. Tournament – Pam Jones	Will require a new Tournament Coordinator for next year.	
6.	.8. Goalie Coordinator – Darcy Brown	When equipment comes back in, Darcy will provide an equipment needs list.	
6.	.9. Black Gold League rep – Darcy Brown	No report	
6.	.10. Rust Busters – James Ward	Aug 24- 27 at Collicutt	
6.	.11. Equipment – Pam Jones	Pam is collecting equipment back from this season. The next drop off time is March 19 <sup>th</sup> , jersey's must be washed and put in numerical order. Drop off location is Kincity Arenas from 6-7 pm.	
6.	.12. Sponsorship – Connie Setters	No report	
6.	.13. Webmaster – Chris McCullough	No report	
6.	.14. Fundraising – Bill Musselman/Curtis and Paulina Cunningham	No report	
6.	.15. U6 Program	No report	
6.	.16. Pictures – Kim Maerz	No report	
7. N	lext Meeting	–April 14 <sup>th</sup> AGM and Association Meeting – need to book a bigger room, will look into Red Deer Lodge.	Candy will check with Pam Jones, Candy will book rooms for next year
8. M	leeting Adjourned	Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm	