

Rockyview Lacrosse Association AGM Minutes

DATE: Thursday, November 23, 2017 TIME: 6:30 pm

LOCATION: Genesis Place, Airdrie - Echo Boardroom

Call To Order 6:30pm

Approval of the minutes 2016 AGM

Approved by Keith, seconded by Lisa, motion carried

Agenda for 2017 AGM

Motion by Angela to strike director of discipline, seconded by Terilyn, motion carries

Roll Call of Voting members

Ashley, Keith, Lisa, Martin, Adam, Shannon, Terilyn, Kevin, Michelle, Jon, Angela

Regrets

Cameron Dick

RVLA Member Attendance

Jeannette Lam, Diane De Groot, Janet Dunford, Dayna Dyck, Tamara Pritchard, Tammy Thain, Nick Thain, Doug Bell, Scott Short, Daryl Powers, Jason Arnott, Paul Halmo, Bill Clark, Patrick Greenan, Todd Halladay

President Report - Ashley Reutlinger

Successful season, Predators format didn't work out all that well between the two boards, we will be going back to the old format of RVLA having control of evaluations and decisions and the Strathmore players will just come to try out. This was the same format we had two years ago and it worked very well. ALA is asking for \$3/player and ALRA increasing fees as well. Previous VP and Jr Director stepped down mid season, Keith and Cam took over.

Vice-President - (Acting) Keith Berg

Took part in the boundary review meeting with the CDLA, Hornets gave up 160 members to the Knights, Axemen gave up some areas, Chestermere went to Strathmore. Thought is to make the larger clubs more manageable and help the smaller clubs flourish.

Treasurer - Lisa Clarke, Profit and Loss Statement for 2017 fiscal year

Financials are quite accurate compared to last year, disclaimer (\$17K) for the silvertips is on our acct from 2014, so it shows a credit on our net loss of \$1068. Current bank acct is \$51,735, no bills owing. \$14K in receivables, motion to accept the financials for 2017 fiscal year, Keith, 2nd Jeannette, motion carries.

Set up committee for financials for 2018

Ashley, Keith, Jon, Lisa, Shannon, Janet and Martin

Executive Director - Melanie Burnsed

In 2016 our previous President Jen Berg, approached the board with an idea of hiring an Executive Director. The purpose being that our club had grown so large over the years that we are now the 4th largest club in the CDLA (a couple hundred more than the 5th largest club). With a large club comes more volunteers and more turnover, the thought process was the ED role would be the consistency needed year after year with new board members coming in and having someone that knows the ins and outs of not only registration but the members and the members know them. The three larger clubs within the CDLA have all moved to hiring ED's over the years so it seemed like a natural progression that we would as well. I was approached since I had been the registrar for the last two years and had no desire to switch from that role. It was also decided that I would take on Arena scheduling & booking, secretary and communications under the ED role. In my first year I not only maintained the website, Facebook and Twitter to keep it up to date but I also significantly dropped our costs on preseason floor as I was able to take on scheduling and booking and make sure we don't have an abundance of unused floor. I have created a great relationship with the cities and am able to keep open communication between arena bookings and our club. I am also able to schedule myself off work during peak lacrosse times such as registration and evals. I tracked my hours as best I could this past year and by September had logged just over 300 hrs, which I feel is guite a bit under as I didn't take into acct phone and email conversations between other board members guiding them through the season. Moving forward I would like to take on more tasks for the club and to have that consistency year after year with our members.

Unlike all the other clubs in the CDLA whose numbers were down in 2017, ours were up! 492 in 2017 from 483 in 2016. Went from 6 mini tyke to 8 teams, girls numbers were full on all teams except Midget, peewee we went up, bantam dropped but that's not uncommon for that age group in all the clubs.

We have a new registration system for the 2018 season, the ALA has mandated that we all switch to RAMP, I attended a training session in Banff at the AGM this month, system is almost ready to go just have a few issues to work out first. We will still be using Sportzsoft for scheduling, game sheets and discipline, unsure on the communication side which will be easier. Need to manually move over new people to Sportzsoft in order to do game sheets.

Director of Coaching - Keith Berg

Tried to institute the changing the game project using parent and player pledge, zero issues with the teams that bought in. The teams that refused to buy in had issues. Ran 25 new coaches through coaching clinics, police checks were about 80% compliant. Had 1 coach that quit a team but everything else seemed to run smoothly.

Evaluations Director - Adam De Groot

Last yr was unique and complex with different boards involved (Strathmore & Rockyview), motives, etc. New changes this year as it's a Rockyview program should help moving forward.

We are looking for an unbiased set of evaluators for 2018 and more evaluators. Looking into introducing a software based program rather than paper. We currently use an outside affiliated team that are very in-tuned and unbiased. Daryl Powers mentioned that the Gunman want to offer up a bid. Criteria and pricing are a factor. Adam would like to see a Jr and Sr Eval director for this next season. Adam will finish up the RFP letter to send out to evaluators.

Director of Fundraising & Promotions - Shannon Kleisinger

Starting to register for 2018, mag signs going up in a few weeks, Air106 will run for 3 months, digital signs in Cochrane, would have liked to get a float in the parade (too late this year), maybe at the festival of lights we could get a table. We attended the Cochrane winter festival and the opening of the new rec centre.

Director of Equipment - Ashley Reutlinger

Looking to replace old goalie equipment, have a good supply of first aid kids and balls.

Director of Female Programs - Terilynn Palmer

Had full 18 roster girls teams except Midget, 2018 Midget girls should be full, hopefully having spillover from Knights and Strathmore. Started a drop in basics camp, already have 4 girls that have never played before attending every week.

Director of Junior Programs - (Acting) Cameron Dick - ABSENT

Division Directors Angela Sellwood - Midget Kevin Kleisinger - Bantam Martin Burnsed - PeeWee Jon Cullen - Novice Michelle Anhorn - Mini & Tyke

Notices of Motion - Executive Director/Bylaws

Notice of motion to move equipment into ED position, Adam seconds. Discussion. Melanie recuses herself for a ballot vote. Motion passes, motion to destroy ballots. Approved.

Bylaws - Amendments and changes

Reinstate Secretary from ED role. Notice of motion Scott, seconded by Angela. Equipment would be struck and added to ED. Motion carries.

Elections -

Vice-President – Melanie nominates Keith, Keith accepts. Keith wins by acclamation.

Director of Coaching – Keith will let his name stand if no one wants it. No nominees, Keith will finish his term by acclamation

Director of Evaluations - Keith

nominates Adam, he accepts. Adam wins by acclamation

Director of Discipline - Scratch

Director of Junior Programs - Terilyn nominates Angela, she accepts. Angela wins by acclamation.

Director of Equipment - Scratch

Division Directors -

- **Mini Tyke/Tyke** Terilyn nominates Michelle, Michelle accepts, Michelle wins by acclamation.
- **Novice** Adam nominates Jon for Novice, Jon accepts, Jon wins by acclamation.
- **Peewee** Keith nominates Marty, Marty accepts, Marty wins by acclamation.
- **Bantam** Shannon nominates Kevin, Kevin accepts, Kevin wins by acclamation.
- Midget Jeanette nominates Angela, she accepts.
 Melanie nominates Janet, she accepts. Angela withdraws, Janet wins by acclamation.

Secretary - Terilyn nominates Tamara, she accepts, Tamara wins by acclamation.

Elected Positions come into effect immediately following the AGM

Adjournment 7:18pm