



**AA Ringette Calgary Foundation (2013)**  
**Annual General Meeting MINUTES**  
**Sept 24, 2025**  
Seven Chiefs Sportsplex, Boardroom B

**Attendance: 37** (Quorum: 18.5 )

BOARD	U14AA-1 RED	U14AA-2 BLUE	U14AA-3 WHITE	U16AA-1 Rowdy	U16AA-2 Surge	U16AA-3 Force	U19AA-1 Rogue	U19AA-2 Havoc	RATH
Brad Kane	Yvonne Choe	Sonja Deeks	Jyl Radwell	Regan Lauscher	Rachel McKerracher	Lisa Early	Joceyln Beswick	Lesley Ruault	Shaundra Bruvall
Michelle Byers	Tasha Brown	Lori Thomson	Mark Otterson	Charmayne Almon	Rachel Myer	Paul Wilson	Cheryl Barnabe	Becky Scheer	Rachel Ung
Sean Jozsa	Margaret Reinders	Scott Thomson	Erin Seaman	Kyla Cuthbertson	Madhu Hayer		Chantelle Niro	Liane Falconer	
Craig Hawryschuk	Greg Welland		Jake Turner		Mandie Dukeshire			Kelly Soucy	
Paula Munoz					Kristi Reinhardt			Charitina Stelbaska	
								Steve Rivest	

- 1) **Call to Order:** 7:02 pm
  - i. Land Acknowledgement.
  - ii. Welcome and Introductions.
- 2) **Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve agenda made by Yvonne Choe. All were in favour. Motion carried.
- 3) **Approval of Minutes from April 9, 2025 Committee Meeting:** Motion to approve minutes made by Yvonne Choe. All were in favour. Motion carried.
- 4) **President Report on 2024/25 Season**
  - i. See appendix for the report
- 5) **2024/25 Board Executive Elections:**
  - i. **Review of Board Purpose, Organization Chart and Role Descriptions**
    - Ringette Calgary AA Committee Structure reviewed. Board and Committee at Large role descriptions reviewed. Elections process for the Board positions reviewed. Committee at Large positions are volunteer positions.
  - ii. **Executive Elections**
    - President: Cheryl Barnabe nominates Brad Kane as President. No further nominations. All in favour. Motion carried. **Brad Kane is acclaimed as President.**
    - VP League: Brad Kane nominates Craig Hawryschuk as VP League. No further nominations. All in favour. Motion carried. Craig Hawryschuk nominates Adrian Mitchell for co-VP League. No further nominations. All in favour. Motion carried. **Adrian Mitchell is acclaimed as co-VP League.**
    - VP Operations: Brad Kane nominates Sean Jozsa and Kristy Assaly as co-VP Operations. No further nominations. All in favour. Motion carried. **Sean Jozsa and Kristy Assaly are acclaimed as co-VP Operations.**





- VP Finance: Brad Kane nominates Michelle Byers as VP Finance. No further nominations. All in favour. Motion carried. **Michelle Byers is acclaimed as VP Finance.**
- Treasurer: Cheryl Barnabe nominates Scott Thomson as Treasurer. No further nominations. All in favour. Motion carried. **Scott Thomson is acclaimed as Treasurer.**
- Secretary: Brad Kane nominates Paula Munoz. No further nominations. All in favour. Motion carried. **Paula Munoz is acclaimed as Secretary.**

**6) 2024/25 Committee at Large - Volunteer Appointments:**

**i. LEAGUE**

- Ice Allocators: Christine Profili, Chantelle Niro, **looking for SHADOWS**
- Ice Acquisition: Christine and Chantelle
- Equipment Managers: Paul Wilson and Jay D'Amour
- Athlete Development: Rachel Meyer - seeking volunteer - **VACANT**
- Goalie Development (AA): Rachel McKerracher, Jay D'Amour
- Goalie Development (RCal): Rachel McKerracher, Jay D'Amour
- Parent Admin: Lesley Ruault
- Coach Admin: Alex Miller
- Jr Coach Program: Becky Scheer, Yvonne Choe
- Manager Mentor: **VACANT**
- Safety Lead: Brad Kane
- EGRT Reps: Charlotte Walker, Sonja Deeks, Lori Thomson

**ii. OPERATIONS**

- Registrar: Charitina Stelbaska, Yvonne Choe as Shadow
- Webmaster: Becky Scheer, Dana Heise as Shadow
- Social Media: Ella Wilson
- Teamwear / Logo Coordinator: Jocelyn Beswick, Erin Seaman as Shadow
- UAA Coordinator: Paul Wilson
- Team Photo Coordinator: Tasha Brown
- Tournament Coordinator: Mandie Dukeshire
- Banquet Coordinator(s): Margaret Reinders, Lisa Early
- Awards Coordinator: Michelle Coli
- Intro to AA Spring Skate Coordinator: Sonja Deeks, Lori Thomson
- All Sport One Day Come Try Ringette coordinator (RCal): **VACANT**
- RIO Coordinator(s): Christine Profili, Sarah Blenkhorn **looking for SHADOWS**
- AA Coach Liaison: Rachel Ung + **volunteer**

**iii. FINANCE**

- Casino Coordinator: Liane Falconer, Kristi Reinhardt as Shadow
  - Fundraising Coordinator: **VACANT**
  - Sponsorship Coordinator: **VACANT**
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- Team reps are asked to take back VACANT roles to their teams for volunteers to fill.
  - Shadows are also welcome in ANY role so please contact us if interested.





## 7) 2024/25 Financial Reports

- i. Approval of 2024/25 Financial Statements (Michelle Byers)
  - Financial statements as of May 31, 2025 were reviewed.
  - Motion to approve the 2024/25 financial statements made by Mandie Dukeshire. All were in favour. Motion carried.
- ii. Approval of the 2025/26 Budget (Michelle Byers)
  - Proposed budget for the 2025/26 season was reviewed.
  - Motion to approve the 2025/26 budget as presented made by Scott Thomson. All were in favour. Motion carried.

## 8) 2024/25 Committee Reports

### a) President (Brad)

- Tryouts:
  - Feedback has been received from the Tryout process; generally very positive feedback. Personalized letters were sent to all athletes.
- Scheduling:
  - Chinook Ringette League - has eliminated interdivisional play for north and south U14/U16 teams. Ringette Calgary and AA Ringette Calgary are working together with Ringette Alberta to find solutions.
- Ringette Calgary:
  - Referees will be wearing mics this season; Brad has contacted refs to ensure we are onside and connected.
- Sponsorship:
  - There is an opportunity to look at modernizing AA team broadcasts in conjunction with RAB. This could be a potential opportunity for sponsorship.
- Strategic Plan:
  - The board met to complete work around a new mission statement, the individualization of programming for each age group, partnering with Rath for development opportunities, and bringing in avoidance and impact absorption training to work with U16/U19 to learn to avoid contact and prevent injury.
- Word Ringette Championships 2027:
  - AA Ringette Calgary put forward a bid. It was shortlisted and Dieppe was chosen to host.
- Goals:
  - To help the new AA league be the best in the country, and have a forward thinking agenda driving the narrative.





**b) VP League (Craig)**

- Ice Allocation (Chantelle)
  - Any contacts at different arenas let Chantelle know.
  - The schedule is forthcoming.
- Equipment Coordinator (Adrian)
  - Equipment has been distributed.
  - Any issues, please contact the equipment coordinators.
- Athlete Development (Rachel)
  - Mandatory Nutrition and mental fitness being lined up for U14s only.
  - Powerskating and dryland have been scheduled.
- Goalie Development
  - Planning to run 4-6 goalie clinics with a variety of different staffing, with 2 mental training sessions.
  - Planning to host a coach talk in session one to learn about goalies.
  - Working with Ringette Calgary to have coaches be goalie coaches and give back as on-ice assistants.
  - Working towards mentorship between our goalies and U10/U12.
- Coach Admin (Alex)
  - All coaches must do an online module.
  - All bench staff and Junior Coaches must complete the 'Making Headway in Sport' module.
  - On-ice helpers can be on the bench, but not help coach or be the female on bench.
- Parent Admin (Lesley)
  - All information has been sent to managers.
- Manager Mentor (Paula)
  - Managers have been connecting on What'sApp.
- Safety Lead (Brad)
  - No Update,
- Jr Coach Program (Becky)
  - We have eight Junior Coaches this season.
  - All three U14 teams have one or two with lots of goalie Junior Coaches.
  - Two U16 teams have Junior Coaches.
- Esso Golden Ring:
  - Registration opens October 1st.





**c) VP Operations (Sean / Kristy)**

- Registrar: (Charitina)
  - Affiliation forms have been submitted. Teams and staff have been entered into RAMP.
  - TRF appending approval by RAB - email Charitina if you need.
  - Registration fees to be paid by the end of the month.
- Teamwear / Logo Coordinator: (Jocelyn)
  - All team orders are in and fittings and distribution are completed for mandatory wear.
  - U14 getting new coats and new bags this year.
  - Pants have gone up in price by supplier.
  - Optional orders will be available on the online store; it will be live soon to provide families with AA products.
- Team Photo Coordinator (Sean)
  - Sunday, September 28th: 1:30 - 5:30 at Strathcona Community Centre.
  - Jocelyn will be there with optional items for girls to try on.
  - Tuxedo will also have a table with samples of optional items.
- Tournament Coordinator (Mandie)
  - Session One Tournaments and Hotel confirmation are in process of being sent to teams.
  - New bus - Universal Coach lines (includes tip and wifi). Mandie will set up bus contracts.
- Social Media (Ella)
  - What's App group has been created between all teams for collaboration.
  - Has reached out to teams to ask for positive highlights.
  - Send and tag so she can repost.
- Webmaster (Becky)
  - Reminder to send the webmaster photos of events.
  - Flickr accounts: every team has an account. It is important to have a historical record of teams over the years to see past players.
  - Becky will set up new email addresses for new board members.
- RIO Coordinators (Sean)
  - It was a very successful tournament.
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- Evaluations
  - Went smoothly; feedback items from coordinators will be applied for next year.

**d) VP Finance (Michelle B)**

- What'sApp for Treasurers has been set up.
- Bank accounts will be set up separately as teams.
- The budget should be communicated to teams by the treasurer.

**e) Treasurer (Michelle B)**





- We are not a REGISTERED CHARITY and we can't issue charitable donation receipts.
- Scott and Michelle will have custody of the bank accounts, any outstanding invoices, send to Michelle and Brad.

**f) Secretary (Paula)**

- Will be sending info to the new board members on next steps.

**g) RATH Rep (Rachel and Shaundra)**

- There is a Home Hub on October 25/26 - it would be great for teams to watch!
- Junior national team pub night October 17th.

**h) RAB Rep – no report**

**9) New Business / Other**

- We would like a motion to revise two of our policies. In accordance with AA Ringette Calgary Foundation (2013) Policy 6 (), Section 11 (Amendment of AA Ringette Calgary Policies and Procedures), the President seeks to form a subcommittee to review and revise the following Policies for the following purposes:
  - Policy 6.11 Number of Players  
We would like a change to U19 being a minimum of 15 skaters plus one goaltender. We need to update the language.
  - Policy 7.3 - We need to ensure our policy on residency aligns with Ringette Alberta due to a recent change..
  - Policy Review Subcommittee: Paul Wilson, Charmayne Almon

**10) Next Meeting Date:** October 22, 2025 at 7pm at FCA Stew Fairbanks.

**11) Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn made by Chantelle Niro. All were in favour. Motion carried.

**12)** Meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm.





## **AA Ringette Calgary Report to Ringette Calgary for the 2024-2025 Season**

Following team selection and season start up activities, our association continued the tradition of participating as Team Jenna in the Ovarian Cancer Walk of Hope. This event has become a staple for the ringette community and we remain proud to be part of it.

AA Ringette Calgary hosted the Ring It On Tournament in September at the Great Plains Arena, which was a great success. We also hosted a new tournament in January that we have high hopes with. Several of our association's athletes participated in La Releve and various other invitational tournaments around the world.

At the wonderful year end banquet and gala, Brynn Tarnowsky was honoured with the Jenna Sauer Spirit in Coaching Award, and Caley Minault was recognized with the AA Ringette Calgary Service Award in addition to becoming a new mom this fall!

One of our beloved AA players was struck with Cancer this season. The Canadian Ringette Community showed it's incredible power raising over 100,000 dollars in support and the player's #12 helmet sticker was worn by dozens of teams across the country. It has been an incredibly emotional journey for the family and the broader ringette community. The support is deeply appreciated.

Our teams had exceptional success on the ice this season. In addition to many tournament victories, including AA Ringette Calgary teams U16 Fuze, taking home Gold and U16AA Team Edge Silver in Esso Golden Ring. We would like to specifically recognize the following post-season accomplishments:

### Provincials:

U14AA: Bronze – Team Blue, Team White 5th, Team Red- 8th.

U16AA: Gold – Team Edge, Silver - Team Riot, Team Fuze - 4th

U19AA: Gold – Team HEAT, Team Bold - 4th

### Western Canadian Ringette Championships:

U14AA: Team Blue – Bronze

### Canadian Ringette Championships:

U16AA: Gold – Team Riot, Silver - Team Edge (as Team Alberta); Team FUZE – Consolation Winner

Asia Mitchell and Halle Rushfeldt were named as First line all stars.

Brielle Rosner and Rebecca Heise were named 2nd line all stars.





*U19AA*: Bronze Team Bold, also awarded the Agnes Jacks Sportsmanship Award. Team Heat (as Team Alberta) - Quarterfinalists.

Ava Will - first line all star

Ella Grandberg - second line all star

*NRL*: Calgary RATH - 4th

Jennica Murray - second line all-star

*RATH* coach Barb Bautista - was inducted into the Ringette Canada Hall of Fame.

AA Ringette Calgary, with the support of Ringette Calgary, Ringette Alberta, and Tourism Calgary have launched a bid to host the 2027 World Ringette Championships. There are 4 Canadian Cities short listed for hosting, including Calgary. At the time of this report, the successful bid has not been announced. We look forward to hopefully sharing exciting news in the near future.

The AA Ringette Calgary board recently met to begin the process of creating a new mission statement for the organization. We also held a strategic planning session to help identify how we integrate into Ringette in Alberta. Age group specific opportunities for development were explored. We identified areas of coach development, skill development, personal development, injury prevention/management, mentorship opportunities, and others. The outcomes included concerted efforts to better align and resource Ringette Calgary Associations in athlete identification, recruitment, and development. The board is excited about the outcomes of these sessions and looks forward to sharing more information in the coming months.

Respectfully submitted,

Brad Kane

President, AA Ringette Calgary

