



**AA Ringette Calgary Foundation (2013)
AA Committee Meeting Minutes
February 15, 2022**

In attendance via Zoom:

Melody Rock	Leigh Sauer	Holly Popiel	Kim Ung
Jody Calvert	Brad Marlborough	Michael Liao	Kristine & Greg Denham
Liane Falconer	Stephanie Dyck	Colin Dyck	Carrie Hehr
Cheryl Barnabe	Becky Scheer	Steve Travers	Eva Hasell
Jenny McConaghy	Michelle Byers	Kelly Cayer	Amanda Roach
Michelle Rolles	Rachel Vincze	Adam McNight	

- 1) **Call to Order** – 7:02 pm
- 2) **Approval of Agenda** – Motion to approve revised agenda (items added in New Business/Other) made by Stephanie Dyck, seconded by Carrie Hehr – approved.
- 3) **Approval of Minutes** from January 18, 2022 AA Committee Meeting – Motion to approve made by Colin Dyck, seconded by Michael Liao – approved.
- 4) **Reports:**
 - a) **President (Melody)**
 - i. Ringette Calgary updates
 - Re: Chinook League - there are ongoing discussions re: restructuring the league committee to allow for more input/representation from all the participating associations (Z1, Z2, and Z3). There may be volunteer opportunities for AA members - contact Melody if interested.
 - RC Board re-structure process continues to be discussed. Possibility of having a combination of paid positions (for operational purposes) and volunteer board positions but no final decisions reached yet. Reach out to Melody with questions or input.
 - Ringette for All program has been a great success. A “Come Try” event is being considered for next season. Thank you to all volunteers this year!
 - Quadrant associations (NW/SCRA/Bowview) are talking about doing a yearly rotation for provincial host bid at Winsport.
 - A coach development curriculum is currently being drafted – to be forwarded once available.
 - ii. Provincials 2022
 - Best of luck to all teams! Although GoAB recently made changes to restriction guidelines, no changes to RAB COVID guidelines. Given this, no changes to AA guidelines for team room use (player/coach only) and no shared, team-funded player rooms for provincials.
 - Once AB restrictions lifted at start Phase 2 and RAB guidelines also allow, please be respectful and considerate of the various comfort levels of all team members (players, coaches, parents).



b) VP League (Adam)

i. General League updates:

- Mental Fitness/Nutrition workshop through CSI happening at Winsport tonight (Feb 15) for 2 U16AA and 2 U14AA teams. Program feedback will be collected to see if it should be offered again next year.

ii. Committee updates: (Adam reporting unless otherwise indicated)

- Ice Allocator – no updates
- Equipment Manager – no updates
- Association Safety Lead – no updates
- Jr. Coach Program – no updates
- Coach Administration – A couple of coaches still required to complete coaching modules prior to CRCs but have been notified re: same.
- Parent Administration – no updates
- Player Development – see update above
- Goalie Development – Next goalie clinic happening this week.
- Centre of Excellence Rep (Melody for Mike D) – RAB sent recent questionnaire to stakeholders asking for questions that need answers re: POE program. AA Board, Leigh S. and Mike D. all submitted questions. RAB communicated that information on the program would be provided by mid-February, but to-date nothing has been received. AA Board to continue to follow up and push for information as this will be required to make operational decisions for 2022-23 season, including presenting team number and team sizes to Ringette Calgary.

c) VP Operations (Colin)

i. General Operations update

- Chinook League update – already covered above in President's report above
- Banquet updates – see below

ii. Committee updates: (Colin reporting unless otherwise indicated)

- Registrar – no updates
- Communications Coordinator-Webmaster/Social Media (Michael L):
 - Michael noted that RAB/RC email memos should not be posted to our website. Could we request that RAB and RC post their updates to their website which we can reference and link on our AA website?
 - Reminder to each team that they are responsible for getting 30-40 photos from the season onto their Flickr account for the year-end slide show. Please get this done as soon as possible (i.e., after provincials, start of March). Reach out to Kelly/Michael with any questions.
 - Website re-development continues to be investigated.
 - Re: website security – had many attacks on website about 2 weeks ago, but security appears to have held up. Phishing attempts are getting more sophisticated so beware.
 - Attempts are made to keep the Tournament Highlights & Photos up to date. If teams notice some tournament info and/or photo is missing, reach out to Michael so website can be updated.
- Teamwear & Logo Coordinator (Jenny) – Have had a few team-specific gear requests in advance of provincials otherwise no updates.



- AA Team Photos (Adam for Angie) – Everyone should have now received an updated photo (initial photo missing 3rd row names).
- AA Tournament Coordinator – no updates
- Banquet Coordinator (Kelly)
 - Reminder that year-end banquet date set for April 28 at Kirby Centre. Doors likely open at 5 pm, dinner at 6:30 pm. Liquor license/bartender in place. Re: volunteers, currently have about 10-12 volunteers, but will likely need a few more volunteers from the teams (i.e., photo booth, slide show, drink ticket sellers, etc.). Kelly to liaise with teams.

d) VP Finance (Michelle B)

i. Financial update

- Financial slide shown and briefly reviewed (note – figures are estimates only).
- AA received notice from RC that we have been allocated more ice, which resulted in an increase in the amount owing for each team. Ice Bill - To Come estimate is currently \$2800 across all teams, but this may need to be adjusted/absorbed by other teams depending on provincial results. Teams are cautioned against purchasing extra ice at this time.
- Some of the Goalie development funds will be reallocated to player development due to higher costs for this item.
- Michelle to send more frequent financial updates to teams for budgeting purposes as we get closer to the end of the season. Reach out to Michelle with any questions.
- When asking for a reimbursement, please make sure to use a team name identifier on the email (i.e., U16AA Surge) so Michelle can be sure that it is not a phishing attempt.

ii. Committee updates: (Michelle reporting unless otherwise indicated)

- Sponsorship Coordinator – no updates
- Fundraising Coordinator – no updates

5) **New Business/Other**

i. CRC updates (Kim Ung reporting)

- **For information see CRC website:** <https://calgarycrc2022.ca>. For questions or to volunteer contact **Kim Ung:** ungjk@telus.net.
- Re: schedule of events: <https://calgarycrc2022.ca/events/>. Opening ceremonies on Sunday, April 3 @ 6:30 pm at Winsport. Currently being planned as a participant only event that will be live streamed for spectators. Looking for assistance from U14AA teams for this event (unless attending WCRCs). Closing ceremonies on Sat, April 9th at Seven Chiefs. Currently hoping spectators will be able to join participants at this event but TBD.
- Re: COVID policy: Ringette Canada (RCan) has communicated that “regardless of COVID-19 policies that are in place in AB and other provinces at the time of the event, RCan’s policy will remain in place for the full course of CRCs for all participants, officials, volunteers, and spectators”.
- Re: tickets: Full-week tournament “Spectator” pass (all games) and day passes will be available to purchase. Information will be released shortly on the website.
- Re: volunteers: Sign-up genius coming out soon for volunteer positions. This will be going out to AA members as well as members of RC community (U12-U19 teams, CORA, etc.), so sign up early for your preferred position/time! Each team recently asked to submit 1 Venue Coordinator volunteer (still outstanding for Grit, Matrix and White), and communication will be shared shortly with AA teams as to other volunteer requirements.



The expectation is that each AA member will need to volunteer at least one time during the event. Thank you in advance as it will take a village to ensure the success of this event!

- Re: clothing, RCan is encouraging on-line, advanced purchase. Vendor will be sending out info for pre-purchase on website.
 - Re: fundraising: 50/50 Rafflebox to be launched shortly. Another on-line 50/50 to be offered during the event. Details and link will be posted on website.
 - Minor officials will be required to use RAMP for scoresheets. Training to be provided.
 - Re: Ambassador program: Due to COVID, this program has re-vamped and will be known as the White Hat Service. Out-of-town teams will be matched up with local volunteers who will provide support for everything from questions about local attractions & restaurants, to help to get crockpot and kitchen tools. Reach out to Kim to volunteer.
- ii. AA Award Presentations
- Karen Murray has agreed to oversee the process for year-end AA award presentations this year. She is looking for a current member to shadow her to take over next year. Reach out to Melody if interested. Award nominations will likely be opened early March and closed early April (see website for details).
- iii. Championship Banners at Winsport
- It was noted that 2020 provincial banners have not yet been raised at Winsport and could this be done prior to CRCs. Eva H. reported that arrangements have been made with Winsport to raise these along with any from upcoming provincials by mid to late March.
- iv. Policy update
- Question raised about where the process is at with AA policy updates. Currently Board is waiting for input/comments from all Policy Committee members. This will all be reviewed and compiled, and necessary changes made by the Board. Once all updates complete, it will be presented at RC Board meeting who will vote to approve or recommend further updates/changes. Thank you for everyone's work and input to-date!
 - Leigh S. reported that RAB is looking to update their appeals policy this spring and is working with Sport Law re: same. Heads up that these changes may need to be reflected in AA appeals policy.

6) **Next Meeting Date** – March 15, 2022

7) **Adjournment** – 7:51 pm

