



**AA Ringette Calgary Foundation (2013)  
AA Committee Meeting Minutes  
January 18, 2022**

**In attendance via Zoom:**

Melody Rock	Jody Calvert	Brad Marlborough	Becky Scheer
Stephanie Dyck	Colin Dyck	Greg Denham	Kim Ung
Liane Falconer	Holly Popiel	Carrie Hehr	Cheryl Barnabe
Michelle Rolles	Michelle Byers	Wendy Anderson	Darren Roy
Eva Hasell	Franzis Schwertner	Adam McKnight	

- 1) **Call to Order** – 7:02 pm
- 2) **Approval of Agenda** – Motion to approve made by Colin Dyck, seconded by Carrie Hehr.
- 3) **Approval of Minutes from November 17, 2021 AA Committee Meeting** – Motion to approve made by Colin Dyck, seconded by Michelle Byers.
- 4) **Reports:**
  - a) **President** (Melody)
    - i. Ringette Calgary update
      - All info re: EGRT cancellation on their website. An Exhibition Series was organized for each AA division level in lieu of EGRT. The weekend was well received and the players happy to be on the ice! A big thank you to all the AA organizers who made the series happen!
      - RC recently sent COVID-related communication related to 10-day isolation from ringette activities on Jan 4/22. [UPDATE - RC Memo Jan 21/22](#)
    - ii. Ringette Alberta update
      - No changes to RAB Return to Play document. Recent Jan 5/22 communication to membership re: COVID and remainder of 2021-22 season re: tournaments, playdowns/provincials, and isolation period and return to ringette. [UPDATE – RAB Memo Jan 21/22](#) - RAB clarified the 10-day isolation applies to **all** individuals (i.e, players, team staff, officials) and provided rationale re: same
      - Melody has liaised with Ryan Devlin (RAB president) re: POE. No updates but RAB intending on providing information in January. AA continues to be interested in submitting a COE application.
    - iii. COVID update – See RC/RAB communications above
    - iv. AA policy review update
      - First batch of sub-policies has been submitted to Policy Committee for review. Board working to get next batch of sub-policies to Committee for review shortly.
    - v. Provincials
      - (1) Sherwood Park - February 2022
        - Currently AB playdowns and provincials are still planning to go ahead. RAB is looking at implementing an alternative playdown format. Note - this does not impact AA divisions given our Provincials are determined by ranking format (tournaments and Session 2 League



games) vs. a “playdown weekend”. RC is looking at changes to ice allocation to make this happen for the A/B/C U14-U19 divisions, but AA does not anticipate that its ice allocation will be impacted at this time. More information will be shared as known.

(2) 2023 Provincial Host bid proposal

- In past, there was a provincial rotation schedule between North/South divisions. Board proposing to put together a committee to put forward a Host bid for 2023 provincials. First host bid deadline is April 2022. If interested, please reach out to Melody.

b) VP League (Adam McKnight)

i. General updates

(1) Black Gold League update – no updates

(2) Chinook League update:

- The League intends to continue as scheduled as able. Cancellations received greater than 24 hours prior to the start of a game due to COVID complications will be considered 0-0 tie and will not impact provincial/regional placements. Also, no charge for referees if more than 24 hr notice provided.

(3) Mental prep & nutrition sessions

- Recent communication sent to coaches re: possible mental prep and nutrition sessions through COP. If 3 or more teams interested, Heather H to book a date. So far, 2 teams confirmed yes and 2 confirmed no.

(4) POE/COE update

- New RAB president hoping to have info out by end January. RAB did offer 2 POE ice times in December. Cheryl B. reported that RAB did not answer many questions about the program at those sessions. AA to continue to liaise with RAB and update as info received.

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

- Ice Allocator – no updates
- Equipment Manager – no updates
- Association Safety Lead – see update above
- Jr. Coach Program – no updates
- Coach Administration (Carrie) – Still a few coaches who need to complete some certification. All are aware and Carrie liaising re: same.
- Parent Administration – no updates
- Player Development – See mental prep & nutrition session update above
- Goalie Development (Carrie) - Goalie clinics booked for January 20 and February 17.
- Centre of Excellence Rep – see POE/COE update above
- Esso Golden Ring (EGRT) Rep – see President update above



c) VP Operations (Colin)

i. General updates

- With EGRT cancellation, exhibition series were welcomed. Thanks to RC, volunteers and referees to accommodate the many schedule changes to make it happen!
- Re: hotels for Provincials, teams are asked to book hotels themselves. This allows for more flexibility for last minute, COVID-related changes if required. If possible, please consider siblings on different teams when booking accommodation. Reach out to Colin or Wendy if assistance required.

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

- Registrar – no updates
- Communications Coordinator-Webmaster/Social Media (Brad) – Mike continues to do regular updates such as tournament results. No other significant updates.
- Teamwear Coordinator – no updates
- Manager Mentor – no updates
- AA Team Photos – Photos have recently been distributed to teams. Reach out to Angie if assistance required.
- AA Tournament Coordinator (Wendy) – See Provincial hotel update above.
- Banquet Coordinator –
  - Banquet date set for April 28, 2022 at Kirby Centre. Price approx. \$35/person. Kirby Centre to provide catering, set-up, take down/cleaning, and AV. AA will stock/operate the bar. Banquet team reps will be expected to fill volunteer positions but additional volunteers may also be required (i.e., candy bar, bar, AV, video presentation, etc.). Sign-up Genius forthcoming or contact Kelly at [kellycayer7@gmail.com](mailto:kellycayer7@gmail.com).
  - Re: tickets, Kelly to finalize details re: ticket orders with teams. Currently no restrictions on capacity numbers but need to monitor and be flexible. Note that in past years, some teams paid for player/coach tickets from team funds. This is not required but may be a team budget consideration.

d) VP Finance (Michelle B)

i. Financial update:

(1) Overall costs and ice costs per team to-date:

- Financial slide posted and reviewed (note – figures are estimates only)
- Ice allocation through end of February just received. All allocated ice paid for by AA through end of February (figures do not include ice that coaches have traded amongst themselves). Note the \$5K from previous casinos is being applied to each team's ice bill. Further ice will be allocated through March based on what happens at Provincials.
- YTD less money spent on goalie, player, and/or coach development than allocated so some funds still available in these areas. Money spent on seasonal equipment from equipment fund (i.e., shot clocks, jerseys/pants). AA overhead/unplanned fees higher than anticipated due to bank fees and higher than anticipated credit card fees for player registration.
- Friendly reminder to teams to be operating as a not-for-profit. Recommendation to spend money raised through fundraising efforts first, as any end-of-season refunds should only be issued for cash calls. Please review AGLC policies for dealing with money raised through fundraising efforts that have not been spent by end of season.
- AA has received a handful of cheques from Benevity for employer team donations and will distribute to appropriate teams.



- Michelle R has some leftover cheques that can be distributed to teams if needed. AA wants to avoid another cheque order if possible.

ii. Committee updates: (Michelle B reporting on behalf of committee members)

- Sponsorship Coordinator – no updates
- Fundraising Coordinator – Confirmed that there will be no Flames 50/50 this season. No other fundraising initiatives being explored at this time.

**5) New Business/Other**

i. CRC updates: (Melody and Kim Ung reporting) Kim email: [ungjk@telus.net](mailto:ungjk@telus.net)

- Hitman/RC partnership - March 30 game will promote ringette and feature RATH (promo video, scrimmage RATH/Hitmen). Long-term partnership will promote/support Ringette for All program but March 30 game will specifically support CRCs. Each team is asked to sell tickets (\$15/ticket) with \$5/ticket going towards CRCs. RATH is offering incentives to top selling ringette teams (i.e., team practice with RATH, sitting with RATH during March 30 game, RATH merchandise).
- Ringette Canada and Host Committee still optimistic that event will occur and planning continues. Scenarios that may result in cancellation of event include GoA shutting down youth sport, if no spectators allowed, or if testing of all participants required. Different scenarios from traditional format being considered if needed to meet public health requirements.
- Website and social media platforms are now live. Website= <https://calgarycrc2022.ca> or follow on Facebook=Canadian Ringette Championships/Championnat canadien de ringuette, Instagram=crc\_ccr, and/or Twitter=@CRC\_CCR.
- Sponsorship – Still no title sponsor and continue to look for all levels of sponsorship, including donations-in-kind. Please reach out to Kim with any leads!
- Volunteers – Once initial schedule known, will be reaching out to AA membership with volunteer opportunities and sign-up. Each AA team will be required to provide a certain number of volunteers for the event (number TBD) for arena volunteers, opening and closing ceremonies, drivers for RCan officials and referees, minor officials, medical, etc. Bilingual volunteers who speak French especially needed!
- RAMP will be used for scoresheets. Training for minor official volunteers to be provided.

**6) Next Meeting Date** – Tuesday, February 15, 2022

**7) Adjournment** – 8:03 pm

