



AA Ringette Calgary Foundation (2013) AA Committee Meeting Agenda November 17, 2021

In attendance via Zoom:

Melody Rock	Carrie Hehr	Liane Falconer	Kim Ung
Jenny McConaghy	Kelly Cayer	Cheryl Barnabe	Holly Popiel
Wendy Anderson	Leigh Sauer	Adam & Angie McKnight	Becky Scheer
Michelle Byers	Michelle Rolles	Eva Hasell	Jody Calvert
Brad Marlborough	Erin Seaman	Christine Profili	Scott Althen

- 1) **Call to Order** – 7:02 pm
- 2) **Approval of Agenda** – Motion to approve made by Angie McKnight, seconded by Carrie Hehr - approved.
- 3) **Approval of Minutes from October 19, 2021 AGM** – Motion to approve made by Becky Scheer, seconded by Michelle Rolles - approved.
- 4) **Reports:**
 - a) President (Melody reporting)
 - i) General Updates:
 - Ringette Calgary – No updates from recent RC Committee and League meetings. Be aware of current referee shortage in Calgary. Costs for using out-of-town refs may be higher due to mileage reimbursement.
 - AA Provincials – November 15 was the deadline for associations to submit application to host AA Provincial tournament. Currently no applications have been submitted. Suggestion put forth to consider splitting U14AA/U16AA/U19AA divisions between different hosts. AA to continue to liaise with RAB, northern associations and Z2 re: options.
 - Match penalties – Since start of league play, RAB has dealt with a higher number of match penalties than in previous season. RAB reminder to all members to review and follow True Sport Principles.
 - AA policy review – Goal is to submit first batch of sub-policies to Policy Committee for review by end of November.
 - b) VP League (Adam reporting)
 - i) General League Updates:
 - Black Gold League (BGL) Session 2 game format update – Motion forthcoming in BGL for U19AAs to move to the 4-quarter game format. AA to liaise with Chinook League to consider adopting this same format. Of note - Wood/EGRT to also move to 4-quarter format for U16AA and U19AA levels.
 - The proposal also included game format for U16AA league play as follows: For U16AA/U16AA match ups, 4-quarter format will be used. For U19A/U16AA match ups, 2-period format will be used unless U19A team indicates preference to use the 4-quarter format prior to the game.



ii) *Committee Updates:*

- Ice Allocator (Adam for Cristina) – Practice schedules have been released until December 5th. Remainder of practice schedule will be released once Cristina receives the Session 2 game schedule.
- Equipment Manager (Kristine/Greg) – No updates
- Association Safety Lead (Cheryl) – No updates
- Jr. Coach Program (Caley/Becky) – No updates
- Coach Administration (Carrie) – Upcoming coach certification deadlines. Carrie to follow up with coaches who still need to submit.
- Parent Administration (Holly) – No updates
- Player Development (Adam for Heather) – Mental toughness/nutrition session information to be forwarded to all coaches shortly to gauge interest.
- Goalie Development (Carrie/Kelly) – Upcoming Nov 25 goalie clinic. Future sessions also being planned.
- Centre of Excellence Rep (Adam for Mike D) – No updates as no further information from RAB.
- EGRT Rep (Jenny) – There was a last-minute call out for 1 more team for a couple of the divisions to even out the pools. Thanks to coaches who helped find teams to fill the spots.

c) VP Operations (Melody reporting for Colin)

i) *General Operations Updates:*

- Tournaments - U16AA Grit & U16AA Matrix competed in Regina, U14AA Red in Sherwood Park Platinum Ring, and remainder in Saskatoon Bernadette Price (U19AA Raid, U19AA Compete, U16AA Surge, U14AA White and U14AA Blue).
- Re: COVID guidelines - no recent changes/updates to provincial, local and RAB guidelines. Given this, AA continues to ask that there are no team-funded shared player rooms, and that designated team rooms are used by players/coaches only until further notice.

ii) *Committee Updates:*

- Registrar (Amanda) – No updates
- Communications Coordinator - Webmaster/Social (Michael L/Brad) – No updates
- Teamwear & Logo Coordinator (Jenny) – Paired down apparel order form recently emailed to teams. Quick turnaround time so that apparel received prior to Christmas. Gear bags are still an outstanding item for some. Jenny to let everyone know as soon as received from supplier (note - 6-8 week supplier delays were expected this year). Thank you to everyone for their patience!
- Manager Mentor (Mary-Kay) – No updates
- AA Team Photos (Angie) – No updates
- AA Tournament/Hotels/Bus Coordinator (Wendy) – Schedule came out for Wood and some teams are opting to cancel Thurs night. Wendy to follow up with teams directly re: same.
- Banquet Coordinator (Kelly) – Kelly has received venue quotes between \$35 and \$70 per person. Quotes to be further reviewed to ensure event is cost-effective. Reminder for team budgeting purposes that player and coach ticket costs have traditionally been taken care of through team funds. Seeking U19AA player feedback from past banquets (i.e., what was enjoyed/not). Kelly to investigate decorations being stored in AA equipment storage room at RC.



d) VP Finance (Michelle B)

i) *Financial Updates:*

- Financial slide posted and reviewed (note – figures are estimates only).
- AA has paid for ice costs until end of November. Currently working through actual amounts owed by each team for Sept-November. Current estimate is that teams to pay approx \$15-\$16K each for ice by the end of Session 2. Approx \$5K/team of these ice costs to be covered by casino funds that were not used last season. Given this, team ice amounts owed for the next session may be less than the first part of season. Teams often track/reimburse each other directly for ice that is traded vs. reporting trades to the Ice Allocator (Cristina). Michelle B. to continue to liaise with team Treasurers with details/updates.
- If there are any changes to proposed budget item amounts (i.e., player or goalie development), please let Michelle B. know so that funds can be re-allocated to other items as needed (i.e., ice costs). Please also ensure that any expense receipts are submitted quickly to ensure budget is current.

ii) *Committee Updates:*

- Sponsorship Coordinator (Mike R) – No updates
- Fundraising Coordinator (Michelle B for Mike R/Catriona/Scott) – Re: Flames 50/50 application, reportedly very small chance that AA will get allocated a game due to the high amount of applicants. No other fundraising opportunities on the books as of now.

5) **New Business/Other**

i) *CRC Updates* (Kim U):

- CRC website and social media rollout coming soon.
- Re: facilities - VPs Technical have been touring facilities and very impressed with Seven Chiefs.
- Re: sponsorship - still looking for all levels of sponsorship including a title sponsor. Recent email to AA membership has not yielded many leads to-date. Sponsorship package created that can easily be given out to companies, which includes a matrix detailing benefits for each level of sponsorship. Looking for volunteers to make calls to solicit potential sponsorships from a compiled list of companies that are connected to the ringette community. For a sponsorship package or to volunteer, please contact Colin Johnson at colinjoh@gmail.com.
- Re: volunteers - looking for support from U14AA families as CRC is both a RC and AA event. Have found a volunteer to take the lead on the 50/50 through Rafflebox. Venue Leads are looking for 1 coordinator for each of the 2 venues (Seven Chiefs, Winsport) as well as volunteers for set up/tear down before/after the event. Sign Up Genius coming soon.
- Re: accommodation, Wendy has been liaising with some teams already re: hotel options. CRC has a deal in place with Tourism Calgary - \$5/room booked through host hotels will come back to CRCs.

6) **Next Meeting Date** – Tuesday, December 14, 2021

7) **Adjournment** – 7:47 pm

