



Indus Ringette Association, Monthly Board Meeting Monday, June 3rd 6:30 pm, Indus Rec Center

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Adopt prior meeting minutes for May
3. Review of agenda items
4. Addition of agenda items

Topic: June IRA Board Meeting

Time: June 3rd, 2024 06:30 PM MST

Where: ** Indus Rec Centre – Meeting Room **

Action Items:

- Early Bird pricing: The registrar will update the registration website. Secretary will send an email update. Social media coordinator will update social media.
- Kristin Nelson can organize a Gear Swap
- Jarrett will connect Tamara Gehring and Tanya Creamer so they could discuss options for unifying fundraising

1. Outstanding action items from May board meeting

- Alex will send email to all the teams' treasurers about the accounts and request the Income and Expense statement
 - ⇒ Veronika will send Alex list of team treasurers

2. Adopting May minutes – Minutes were adopted as presented by the majority.

3. IRA Updates

- i. New TOTM coordinator – Nikki Steigmeier – Nikki will meet with Allison Kaiser on June 4 for handover
- ii. New Registrar – Chelsea Burnett. Chelsea will shadow Trevor Robinson
- iii. Vote to change the end date of the Early Bird registration pricing
 - The president brought forward a motion to shorten the period of Early Bird Registration pricing to June 30, 2024 in order to get more accurate picture of athletes wanting to come back sooner. All in favor. The motion was accepted as presented.
 - The registrar will update the registration website. Secretary will send an email update. Social media coordinator will update social media.

4. RISE Update

- RISE evaluation fee will be \$125. Deadline to apply for RISE will be August 1, 2024 to better prep for evaluations
- So far it is expected that there will be same RISE teams as last year.
- The registrar will add a check box for the registrations to state the intent to join RISE
- Strathmore's Early Bird pricing ends on June 12. They predict they will only have 8-12 players in the U12 division (Indus' prediction is 25).
- Host teams for RISE have not been decided.
- Any players who want to join RISE from outside IRA and SMRA has to be in the top 20% to make the team. Only 20% of the team can be made from out of associations. Lorna Engelson will be in charge of RISE evaluations.

5. Lonnie Krahn's Coordinator's update

- NESS ice has been secured from Thursday, October 3rd to Sunday, October 6th. This is a different weekend than last year.

- Mary is onboard with having some games in Chestermere. I will work with Mary to release some of the ice to CORA once the Chestermere ice times are received from Jayden.
- We will keep NESS as the primary rink for the tournament, any raffles, registration, etc. will be at NESS.
- Cal-East funds are going to pay for t-shirts for all players. Any profits from the tournament will go to Indus.

6. Gear Swap

- Kristin Nelson is interested in organizing Gear Swap. This is a great idea and it might be worth organizing it during the Come Try Ringette event. A good weekend for it would be the weekend of August 23-25, just before the Elite Ringette Summer Camp

7. Come Try Ringette

- Tracey Osmond contacted Jayden about possible dates but has not heard back.

8. Langdon Days – IRA Parade Float

- Tamara has contacted the Langdon Days organizers. There is no entrance fee to participate
- The idea is to have a truck and trailer, maybe a mini horse, some girls roller blading, distributing candy
- Tamara put forward a motion for a vote for a budget of \$500 for this event to cover the cost of candy, decorations and pamphlets. All in favor. Motion was accepted.

9. Fundraising Coordinator

- Tamara suggested that there should be one person who will be in charge of fundraising for IRA events (Lonnie Krahn's Tournament, Ice Angels Tournament, Pub Night and Year End party), so different people do not have to always keep asking the same businesses for sponsorships and IRA presents itself more unified in these efforts
- Tanya Creamer is the current Director of Fundraising. Jarrett will send Tamara Gehring contact for the director and Sarah Robinson, Lyse Cormier, Tamara Gehring and Tanya Creamer can have a discussion about different options of approaching fundraising next season
- Teams might have to be responsible to getting sponsorships for these events as well.

10. Treasurer's update

- The Treasurer presented an Indus Ringette PO system that he would like to implement when organizing the Quickbooks accounting software. The PO system reflects the IRA bylaws for responsibilities and accountabilities of day-to-day activities
- As of now, there has not been tracking of accounts neither through Quickbooks nor through a spreadsheet for the past year and half. AGM numbers and other reports are based on actuals from the bank accounts
- The Treasurer has the bank statements, invoices, receipts and copies of reimbursement requests
- The Treasurer will be working with Kristin Nelson's mom Layne to implement the PO system and input everything into Quickbooks
- The VP offered he could get an extra help if the Treasurer needs it. The treasurer will contact the VP if the help is necessary.

11. Registrar's update

- Registration for 2024/25 season opened on June 1, so far there were 9 registrants for U10, 4 registrants for U12, 2 registrants for U14, 5 registrants for U16.

Next meeting July 8, 2024.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34pm