

# Alberta Lacrosse Association – Board Meeting Minutes

Date | 2022 02 28  
Time | 7:00 pm  
Location | Zoom

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Call to Order 7:05pm

**Attendance: Sean A, John K, Keith B, Duan, Kim, Tim, Don P, Tracey H, Wade B, Sean Y, Mike G**

*Not able to attend – Ray M*

Comments:

- quorum is present

**Guests: Robin, Jillian, Donna, Anna-Lise, Kevin M, Chris**

*Not able to attend – Angela*

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## Approval of Agenda

Motion for agenda – Kim S, Mike G seconded

Comments:

- No discussion needed

Called to vote - Motion carried

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## Adoption of Prior Minutes

Motion to adopt prior minutes – Don P, Mike G seconded

Comments:

- No discussion

Called to vote - Motion carried

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## Director Reports

1. **High Performance**
2. **Development**
3. **Marketing and Communication**

Comments:

- No discussion

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## Old Business

### 4. **Update Current Refund Policy - Wheatland registration refunds inquiry** (Mike Groves)

- 4.1.1. **MOTION:** Motion to revise the ALA Refund Policy to the following: "Refunds may be obtained as follows: a) In the event that programming is cancelled due to circumstances outside the control of the ALA, including if there is no team for the member to play on, or if travel time to nearest team is unreasonable (greater than 2 hours total travel time) the ALA Player Registration fee will be fully refunded, less merchant fee; and b) In the event a player withdraws from a program, ALA Player Registration fee will only be considered for medical reasons. All refunds are subject to approval. Only the registration fees (and applicable taxes) paid by the Registrant will be refunded, less merchant and transaction fees."

Motion to put forward – Mike G, Sean Y seconded

Comments:

- General support of motion, needs rewording to be clearer

Reword motion...: "Refunds may be obtained as follows: in the event that programming is cancelled due to circumstances outside the control of the member club, including if there is no team for the member to play on, or if travel time to nearest team is unreasonable (greater than 200 km travel one way) the ALA Player Registration fee will be fully refunded, less admin fee. All refunds are subject to ALA approval.

Called to vote - Motion carried

### 5. **COVID-19 Due-Diligence (Sean or Robin)**

- 5.1.1. **MOTION:** Motion to rescind all of Regulation 38.

Motion to rescind – Sean Y, Mike G seconded

Comments:

- No discussion

Called to vote - Motion carried

### 6. **Previous Action Items** (Robin)

Comments:

- Review of previous action items
  - No discussion
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## New Business

### 7. **Rescind Regulation 41** (Sean or John or Robin)

7.1.1. **MOTION:** Motion to rescind Regulation 41 for 2022.

Motion to rescind – Kim S, Keith B seconded

Comments:

- This was instilled years ago because changes have been made previously that impacted on the floor play
- Overall concern about changes happening in season
- Amendment to motion - Revisions to the ALA Regulations affecting box regarding game play for the current playing season may not be made from March 1st to August 31st in any given year
- Motion to accept amendment to motion

Called to vote - Motion carried

### 8. **Revise Regulation 17 – 16U A League** (Keith Berg)

8.1.1. **MOTION:** Motion to accept revisions to Regulation 17

Comments:

- Current setup doesn't allow for SALA to be involved
- LGBPs can't guarantee that the team names in the regulations will be the teams.
- Make sure no conflict with Keith B and his ALA versus club positions
- Wheatland not able to participate, due to format
- How do we get exhibition games scheduled and planned for, especially with SALA and Wheatland teams
- Inquiring about affiliations, is it a possibility? Yes affiliations are a possibility

Called to vote - Motion carried

### 9. **From SALA** (Sean Yeaman)

9.1.1. **MOTION:** Motion to update Game Fee chart (Regulation 32.06.05) by adding \$30 fee for 1 official to 8U and U8.

Motion to put forward - Sean Y, Keith B seconded

Comments:

- Is it possible to provide a good ref experience to the kids with just one ref on floor?
- Does this requirement not come down from LC?
- LAX model provides the flexibility to allow this, but full floor or partial floor makes the challenges different
- We are already allowed to just have one ref
- Make sure the single ref is not a younger ref
- Talk to your RIC to make sure your games and refs have what they need to succeed

Called to vote - Motion carried

### 10. **Registration Numbers** (Sean Aggus)

10.1. Goal for 2022 is 75% of 2019 registration numbers

10.2. Current registrations numbers (as of Feb 21) are 107% of YTD target

Comments:

- Be aware that even if tracking towards target of 75%, if teams can't form in some areas, might cause overall drop in numbers

## 11. **From CALL** (Kim Smyth)

- 11.1. Perform a deep dive and needs analysis on establishing a Timbits lacrosse program (Tim Hortons sponsorship)
- 11.2. Perform a deep dive and needs analysis on increasing the availability of recreational lacrosse (work with municipalities to establish rec leagues)

### Comments:

- Tabled for next time, move to old business
- ACTION (ROBIN) – start project on Timbits lacrosse (or something similar) and reach out to all LGB

## 12. **ALA Website Redesign** (John)

### 12.1. Status update

### Comments:

- Update to proposal needed, to bridge current financial gap in upgrading all LGB websites
- Lets make sure we're not changing for the sake of change, especially if we move away from RAMP to a new database and registration system
- Bundling new registration system with website updates will close the financial gap on this project
- Move slowly to make change, do full due diligence, but sentiment is there that a change would be good
- Make sure RMLL is properly consulted, because they operate differently
- RMLL not currently looking to change what they use now (unless a full RFP was created and needs met)
- Make sure Raymond is consulted as well

## 13. **2021-22 Budget Update / Adjustments** (Sean Aggus)

### 13.1. See 2022 forecast document for adjustments to budget

### Comments:

- No discussion needed
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## Comments – Announcements – Other Business

### Comments:

- No discussion needed
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## Next Meeting Date

### Comments:

- End to late May for next Board Meeting
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## Adjournment