

**September 10 - Attendance - Sean A, Jason C, Kevin K, Mike G, Wade, Melinda, Jillian, Duane, Chris, Anna-Lise, Tim S, Don P, Sean Y, Ang, Kim, Keith, Tracey, Robin, John K**

9:20 - briefing from Sean A

- review and questions of reports
  - quick update on website launching - end of 2022 / early 2023. targeting GELC and CALL to pilot / launch, and looking for a 3rd LGB to pilot
  - discussion around scope of website design / launch, ensuring ramp still interacts with new website launch
  - Duane - we should include staff reports, include retention numbers (break down of the year, include how we are doing) - get one for AGM, prior to

9:33 - financials

- summary from Sean about creation of new budget, and challenges from old format
- make sure budget has one tab with both expenses and income
- new format is user friendly, challenge will be transition
- discussion around how much cash we have, and how to build up a reserve fund to have one year's operating budget
- budget is based on status quo numbers

10:55 - LC updates

12:00pm - stopping for lunch at noon, tabling financials at camp sanctioning fee

12:39 - TD roadmap summary by Jason

- **Grassroots / HP and Coach Development review**
  - positive feedback on program and school program
  - gap analysis positive feedback too

2:13pm - resume budget discussion

3:14 - reviewing project guidelines

**Mike made motion to approve funding guidelines, Keith seconded motion**

- **all in favour, unanimous**
    - **motion approved**
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## Funding requests:

- **ALA teams to major national championships - Duane / RMLL**
  - house project request
  - **motion by Keith, seconded by Don**
    - discussion - the request basically covers coach costs, people asking how much fundraising teams do; answer being quite a lot, this is basically a minimum ask to help cover costs
  - ***amendment - include female junior club that make nationals at same expense of \$4000***
  - **Vote - 11 in favour**
- **RMLL Super clinic coaching clinic**
  - house project
  - **motion by Keith, seconded by Tracey**
    - discussion - ALRA not included at this time, no questions from the floor
  - **Vote - motion carried**
- **LGB Growth in Indigenous Centres - Mike Groves**
  - pilot project
  - **motion by Mike, seconded by Sean Y**
    - discussion - confirming what actual costs will be, we need to make sure we have someone in the community that can do this, Tony Reid is ready to do this work
  - **vote - all in favour, motion carried**
- **SALA/Wheatland Crossover - Mike Groves / Sean Y**
  - house project
  - **Motion by Sean Y, Keith seconded**
    - Discussion - cost will go into floor time, travel, accommodation, and focus is U17, and idea is to keep retention. can we schedule a junior game with this to help highlight the higher level of play? can we get senior officials involved for mentorship?
  - **vote - all in favour, motion carried**
- **Wheatland School visits - Mike Groves**
  - pilot project
  - **motion by Mike, seconded by Tracey**
    - discussion - need to make sure we have coaches in that area to do this work, is 20 school visits in a year feasible? focus is in wainright and vermilion - can get 10 days of full day school programming, make sure we have local LGB present, maybe we can use our current TD team budget for this work? how many hours should we commit to this? instead of allocating funds to this, can ALA take on the responsibility to do this within our operating costs? what about adding teacher conference in this area to our list of ones to attend?
      - centres to focus on - wainright and vermilion, with 5 school visits per location, for a total of 10 visits
      - Jillian to coordinate with Mike to make this happen
  - **motion was defeated**

- **A Ball and a Stick Documentary Project (North Glenora Blues Alumni)**
  - **motion by Tim, seconded Keith**
    - discussion - where is the \$1750 going to, since it's already paid for and there's no actual club...can we earmark \$1750 for next project, or better to give them funds for this actual cause
    - **vote - all in favour (Tracey abstained)**
- **ALRA Advanced Development Project - 2023**
  - Box Officiating - Tony Reid
  - Pilot project
  - **motion by Kevin K, seconded by Keith**
    - discussion - John K helped put this together, this is similar to super clinic, just in the north and for officials. will take place in north, maybe Edmonton, maybe wheatland area, maximum cost is \$8800, need to flush out costs more, maybe this can be an exhibition weekend too..., this is for the coach officials, not the on floor coaches, that's why there are professional fees,
  - **vote - all in favour, approved**
- **Women's Field Lacrosse Recruitment - Don Payne**
  - pilot project
  - **motion by Tracey, seconded by Kim**
    - discussion - can we reduce costs on the sticks, maybe look at what Slash lacrosse has, or something like that. this equipment is for try-its and school programs. 15 sticks in north and 15 sticks in south.
  - **amendment - motion to allocate \$5850 to ALA equipment budget to purchase women's field lacrosse equipment**
  - **vote - all in favour, approved**

## September 11

9:10am - **Attendance - Sean A, Jason C, Kevin K, Mike G, Wade, Melinda, Jillian, Duane, Chris, Anna-Lise, Tim S, Don P, Sean Y, Ang, Kim, Keith, Tracey, Robin, John K**

AGM discussion - how much should our delegate fee be.

- review invite / RSVP document

Regulations discussion –

Review of regs document put forth by staff:

- Regulation 25 -
  - 25.08 - ...subject to suspension (can we add this?)
  - 25.10 - add "subject to approval"
  - 40.04 - all changes to read "camp/non-league programming"

- remember to add “non-league programming” to all language
- 40.1 - charge \$100, \$200, \$300
- 32.06.05 - being pulled out, discussed on its own
- any reg with covid delete
- delete all Jr A rules in regs
- Note – motion to accept these changes, as per document, is below

### **Provincials Intent for regulations**

MOTION by Tracey, seconded by Keith

- discussion:
  - should provincials be everyone or just top team?
  - how many teams would this be all together? should we host all provincials together
  - should there be an intent, or is it automatic who is going?
  - 28.01.3 - should be “declaration of champion”
  - are we mandating teams / LGBs that they have to go to provincials? have flexible can we be, while still offering actual provincials
  - affiliation guidelines need to be improved
  - what is the window we need to put provincials together?
    - this will help our planning and deadlines
  - take fine out, ease affiliation, and each LGB needs to send a team
  - Decisions
    - A divisions - champion from each LGB (6 teams, best of 3)
    - B divisions - champion from each LGB (15 teams, round robin)
    - female - bring top 2 each LGB (12 teams)
    - 10U - goes to David Fehr (look at running same place as provincials, for ref development)
  - 28.01.3 - no intents, no fines, we just need a deadline for rosters (give us time to confirm)
    - rosters for provincials submitted 10 days prior to start of tournament
  - 28.01.4 - championship fee of \$1000 (raised from \$750)
  - 28.02.2 - strike all affiliation stuff out of provincials, and we should have one affiliation guideline for all games and tournaments
  - **Vote - all in favour, motions carried**

Provincials Host discussion:

- should we have a rotation from GELC, CALL and then CDLA
- Date - July 14, 15, 16

**Motion for GELC to host provincials in 2023 - Tim motioned, and then Tracey accepted**

- discussion:
  - **Vote - all in favour, motion carried**

**Motion to accept regs put forward by Jillian as amended, motion by Keith, seconded by Kim**

- Discussion -
- **Vote - all in favour, motion carried**

Duane - take out affiliation in reg 5, that refers to Major, and add Regs for running a 4v4 tournament

Ref Fees - Reg 32

Discussion:

- how do we help increase ALRA revenue
- can we add a game fee?
- ALRA needs financials, we want to see and then look at how we can increase
- table reg review of Reg 32, ARLA to provide ALA BoD with financials
- we are looking at a \$3 to \$4 increase on assigning / scheduling fee per game
- we need to look at mileage rate and per diem for ALRA

LC Proposals:

- need to hold another meeting with ALA BoD to get actual direction on the LC proposals
- we're not able to field teams for all the Field age groups, so will have lots of playing up ages
- make sure all LGBPs can speak to the LC proposals and inform ALA BoD of what we are taking to LC
- this will be an October meeting - age categories, contact in minor, ltad report

Financial Policy

- 31 - the ALA meal allowance, change from per-diem
- **Motion made by John, seconded by Tracey**
  - discussion
  - **vote - all in favour, motion carried**

Finance managements:

- look into best financial practices, including etransfers
- should we create a financial committee to review our best practices
- etransfers - add double certification

Meeting frequency:

- do we want regular monthly meetings
- set a regular monthly meeting - last Wednesday of each month

- october, and then january, feb, march, etc
  - 7pm
- plan for a spring in person planning session

#### SPAR / Strat planning

- figure out exactly what we need for this from SPAR's perspective?
- we're looking to just extend current strat plan for a year

#### Communication circulation system

- basecamp is our primarily tool
  - is it working?
  - need to stay on topic
  - how do we decipher which updates in Basecamp that LBGP's need to be pushing out to their members?
    - make it clear what topics are and when to be shared with members
  - do a better job of closing off our conversations in basecamp, and create motions as required
  - add a section in basecamp where it's clear that a document needs to be shared with our members
  - create a social type group
  - add email workflow
- make sure it is clear how each document that we share is meant to be communicated
- our flow is LC - PSO - LGB - Club - Team, and vice-versa

#### Teams attending Nationals:

- does it make sense to send 14U, if in future there won't be these nationals?
- **Motion by Keith to send U17 and U17 F to minor box nationals, seconded by Kim**
  - **vote - all in favour, carried**
- **Motion to send U17, and U19F to field nationals in PEI for men, and Nova Scotia / Quebec for Women**
  - **motioned by Tracey, seconded by Keith**
  - discussion - talk around if we also pushed U19 boys field, and did some recruiting, that we could put together a team
  - make sure we work within the LGBs and current schedules to compliment and build each other
  - the coaches are very important in this process, in getting the athletes out and managing it
  - **motion amended - to send U17, U19 and U19F to field nationals in PEI for men, and Nova Scotia / Quebec for Women**
    - **call to vote - 8 in favour, motion carried**

#### Team AB

- get planning and budget started for each team

## Minor

- 16U League (WRL)
  - planning has taken place, communication update coming from Keith
  - some discussion around affiliations, make sure this is clear from the WRL on how to affiliate
  - league needs a RAMP website, create a category under the GELC or CDLA to do it
    - one of the LGBs needs to host the website, and then other website shares link
    - CDLA will host the data for the website, GELC will share the link
  - WRL will follow ALA regulations and LC rulebook
- 18U league
  - CALL supports it, just a question of when to start doing it
  - tabled
- tournament scheduling process
  - discussion around LGBs planning their own schedules better, with more awareness of what's going on everywhere else
  - make sure LGBP signs form, shouldn't come straight from the club without the LGBP signature
  - does it make sense to label tournaments as house and pilot, as in historical tournaments would be house tournaments
  - LGBs should be reviewing tournaments with their clubs
  - number of refs is known middle of april
  - LGBs should be looking at hosting tournaments that in ratio to how many refs they have
  - no change in deadline
- Gamesheets
  - some will keep using paper, some will use digital
  - Jillian has a list of which LGBs need to order gamesheets
- Field
  - field is planning to do planning session
    - timeline for field planning session being set, it'll be after ALA AGM
  - update on recruitment process in field to be part of planning session
  - Chaos did not exist this year in Edmonton, so they will be reviewed for next year
  - numbers of officials and location of officials is a concern, especially with centralized league play being in red deer
  - most officials do not live in red deer, so cost to get them there is high
  - how do we get more officials for field?
  - can we pay them more, so they make the trip to red deer?
  - we need more ump's for female field
  - lack of games, location, and when they are - these are the main issues
    - weekend games in red deer are very challenging

- when games in previous years were in Calgary and Edmonton, never had an issue with lack of refs
  - how do we get a female officials clinician in AB?
  - do we need to re-evaluate assigning fees of officials?
    - Kevin K is going to look at this
- Major
  - monitoring coach certification
    - we're making progress here, need to keep working on it, making improvements
  - overall great season from Duane,
  - arranging travel for nationals
    - there is value for the ALA to book these, as we have the funds to do so
    - we need clear instructions from RMLL for what needs to be booked
    - how many flights, how many rooms, where are flights leaving from, etc
      - need all the detail before hand
    - Minto in Edmonton this year, so no flights
    - Founders in BC, they are deciding if they will bus or flights
    - Presidents out east, so they need to figure out what they want to do
  - no ALA involvement in Minto cup, as Miners bid says they are on their own
    - no Minto Cup cost sharing (Miners hosting in Edmonton)
    - Miners are doing all the work
    - reach out to Jordan Cornfield to ensure their bid is in order
- ARLA
  - need better scheduling between minor and major, eliminate conflicts
    - can we pack locations with games, major and minor, to better utilize use of refs
    - hard to make this happen in CDLA and GELC, but this can happen in CALL
      - Chris just needs to send schedule to Ang at CALL, and then CALL can schedule minor games around major
    - Chris will provide major schedule to LGBs, who can then schedule minor games / events around those major games
    - how can we create events around Major games, that include ref, minor players and coach development
    - need a cleaner process for how ALRA loads games, and assigns games, to make sure there are not issues with scheduling that aren't needed
  - ref safety
    - it's about education as much as possible
    - educate refs on the tools they have to feel safer
      - especially the younger refs - make sure they know what tools they can use, and that they are going to be supported by the ALRA and ALA
    - educate our members on how to behave