



**AIRDRIE RINGETTE ASSOCIATION
MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 6TH, 2019**

A meeting of the Airdrie Ringette Association held in the Boardroom at Airdrie Autobody Room, Airdrie, Alberta, Wednesday, November 6th, 2019 commencing at 7:00 pm.

PRESENT:

Blair Schiffner (President)
Darren Turner (Vice President)
Jodie Amsing (Treasurer)
Laura Poile (Secretary)
Mark Sturby (Director of Coach Development)
Vince Henwood (Player Development)
Clara Leblond (ROF Tournament Director)
Mitch Moore (Equipment Manager)
Lee Krause (Director of Officials)
Kristina Steele (Fundraising Director)
Todd Rodgers (Ice Scheduler)
Graham Schmidt (Member-At-Large)
Kendra McIntyre (Volunteer Coordinator)

ABSENT:

Liz Kusler (Public Relations Coordinator)
Kara Pawsey (Member-At-Large - Policy)
Kendra Bigoraj (Registrar)

CALL TO ORDER

The President called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Active Start & U10 Step 1

Games have been scheduled up to December. There is a U10 Step 1 game scheduled for December 21.

Emergency Goalie

Emergency goalie plan discussed. It is not the same as goalie affiliate.

Goalie Affiliate Plan Update

A list of affiliates and where they can play was created and sent to the coaches.

Plainsmen Bumper Storage

Half ice dividers will be stored at Plainsmen in the retro fitted storage currently there.

Financial Update

Starting January J. Amsing will provide a bi-monthly update.

Meeting Minute Location

Under information tab on the website.

Bylaw Update

Bylaws are outdated (10 years old) and will be updated starting March and implemented by September. Geoff Rice, B. Schiffner and one more will review these.

U16B Jerseys

B. Schiffner sent an email to the Board October 18th, 2019 explaining the jersey proposal put forward by the two (2) U16B teams. The Board voted on the following:

1. ARA to provide \$700 to allow the teams to order jerseys with the approved AC Thunder Lady.
2. ARA and CRA ask the teams to continue looking for sponsorship opportunities to see if some or all of the ARA and CRA provided money could be returned to ARA and CRA using any sponsorship money they can capture at sometime later this season.



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Vote results: 11 voted Option 1
1 vote for Option 2
3 did not reply

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Police checks have been submitted. D. Turner to send B. Schiffner list of Cochrane coaches that need to submit police checks. D. Turner to send email with deadline for parent/player code of conducts to be collected and kept by manager. Police checks to be stored in a binder in the office.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Fundraising

Possible option for fundraising – Save On Foods teams would keep receipts and submit to association who then submit to Save-On-Foods who then donate a certain amount based on the receipts submitted. Incentive to the team that submits the most gets a pizza party.

Provincial Hoodies

Selling hoodies. C. LeBlond has a contact and will provide more information. M. Moore to contact Kori Neil to provide the design and to contact Geoff Rice for details of what is required.

RAMP/GoalLine

For website will continue with GoalLine. RAMP will need to be used for registration. The switch needs to happen by January. J. Amsing to follow-up with RAB.

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

Affiliate Status

Have received many. If they haven't been submitted it's because coaches are waiting for parents signatures. Has to submit to RAB by November 15th. L. Krause submitted list of officials (34) to K. Bigoraj.

Coach Status

Ensure coaches have all requirements.

ICE SCHEDULER'S REPORT

Second half scheduling is due on November 15th. Confirmation of start and end times for U10 January 4th – March 15th. Bunny Bash March 21 & 22 (hosted by Strathmore in Standard).

Ice Costs (previous 4 years)

B. Schiffner provided T. Rodgers with historical ice costs. \$110,000 on ice (2018-2019). Increase of costs year to year ~\$22,000. October to March \$95,000 not including evaluations, explosive edge or what we'd get back from AA.

Ice Budget

B. Schiffner, J. Amsing, T. Rodgers, G. Schmidt and/or C. LeBlond will meet to review the budget for ice.

**COACH DEVELOPMENT
DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

There were some questions from Active Start regarding on ice assistants, which have been answered.



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B. Schiffner suggested M. Sturby contact the head coaches to see how things are going and if there are any questions.

**PLAYER DEVELOPMENT
DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Explosive Edge Update

Met with Explosive Edge regarding capacity issues. ARA sent a detailed email regarding issues that were made aware to the Board. Ways to resolve some of the issues: skaters being dropped off with supervision plan (coaches, managers etc), no siblings and verbal abuse to staff will not be tolerated.

On-ice development \$12,000 10 ice sessions each team

Dryland 10 sessions \$8,400

Goalie \$2,000 10 sessions

Total \$22,500

Cary's fee \$4, 375, ice sold back to city \$7, 403, players fees paid \$6350 total recovery \$18, 128

Total cost to association \$4, 272

Savings of \$7,000

Centre of Excellence Program

www.yourringette.ca/excellence (Ringette Canada)

V. Henwood and D. Turner will attend the Centre of Excellence in Red Deer November 17th.

Board to provide questions and submit in the google drive. Link was emailed.

Thought is to remove U16AA and U19AA for next year, moving to an Olympic training program.

V. Henwood will provide feedback at the next meeting.

Team Fundraising Policy

Idea for next season to make it fair for all families. Table to January's meeting. Bring ideas forward.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS/
COMMUNICATION'S REPORT**

Nothing to report.

**DIRECTOR OF OFFICIAL'S
REPORT**

L. Krause will send a revised tournament officials schedule to C. LeBlond. Thirty-four (34) officials, trying their best to provide senior refs for mentoring.

Provide a gathering of officials Friday evening at ROF tournament.

Some concerns with U10 Step 1 games with the free pass, L.

Krause will follow-up with RAB.

**TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR'S
REPORT**

Tournament setup is tomorrow and starts Friday, November 8th.

Forty-eight (48) teams registered. Still need twenty (20) volunteers.

Rath game Saturday, November 9th no cost, just requesting a food bank donations be brought instead.

VOLUNTEER DIRECTOR'S REPORT

K. McIntyre will send an email to managers to track the volunteers hours for the ROF. At ROF all volunteers have to sign-in with your name and players name.

**FUNDRAISING DIRECTOR'S
REPORT**

Waiting for thirteen (13) payments for silent auction items and food truck invoice from the Day of the Dead fundraiser.



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Calgary Flames 50/50 - K. Steele emailed the contact and received the application.

K. Steele emailed T. Schwartzenberger regarding truck auction and there are a number of challenges with it.

AB Highway clean-up (May) – information found at <https://www.alberta.ca/alberta-highway-cleanup-programs.aspx#toc-2>
Email: trans.highwayoperations@gov.ab.ca

Airdrie Rotary promoting Airdrie Day. Will bring information to December meeting.

EQUIPMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Purchased thirty-six (36) rings from Eastside Sports for \$189.00. Need two (2) more small nets for the Plainsmen for Active Start. Plastic storage at the Plainsmen will be modified for the storage of the bumpers.
M. Moore created a second sucker pull for ROF.

**MEMBER-AT-LARGE'S REPORT
(Policy)**

Nothing to report.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE'S REPORT

Nothing to report.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Approve October 10th, 2019 meeting minutes.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be December 4th, 2019 location to be determined 7:00 pm.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The November 6th, 2019 meeting adjourned at 9:08 pm.



President

I hereby certify these minutes are correct.



Secretary