



**AIRDRIE RINGETTE ASSOCIATION
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 16, 2020**

A meeting of the Airdrie Ringette Association held with Google Meet, Airdrie, Alberta, Wednesday, March 16th, 2020 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)
Todd Rodgers (Ice Scheduler)
Mitch Moore (Equipment Director)
Liz Kusler (Public Relations Coordinator)
Kara Pawsey (Member-At-Large – Policy)
Graham Schmidt (Member-At-Large)

ABSENT:

Lee Krause (Director of Officials)
Kendra McIntyre (Volunteer Coordinator)
Kristina Steele (Fundraising Director)
Kendra Bigoraj (Registrar)

CALL TO ORDER

The President called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

As of 6:00 pm Monday, March 16th Genesis Place is closed until further notice. This will affect M. Moore in regards to equipment/jersey return. M. Moore to send an email instructing teams all jerseys be cleaned and the equipment jerseys be returned to the Head Coaches.

Chain of events Thursday all non-essential events were to be cancelled. 4:00pm spoke with Carolyn RAB and 14A and 16B Provincials were still to go ahead due to precautions in place.

Friday morning Carolyn (RAB) felt pressured with flood of emails/phone calls etc from parents AMHA etc.

Registration – K. Bigoraj and J. Amsing will put together registration package for May 1st.

Surveys

Explosive Edge – 3 trends; goalie training was great, want to get on a night that doesn't interfere with practice nights.

Dryland – well received overall, not necessary for Step 1 or 2.

Continue with Step 3 and up, again on a night that doesn't conflict with practices.

On-ice – not big enough for 2 teams and ice quality not always the greatest. Not enough coaches on the ice. Suggestion that go back to powerskating as has done in the past (contractor)

V. Henwood – commitment from Explosive Edge, do they want to do business with us? Great opportunity for them and not seeing the communication, very frustrating. G. Schmidt suggested a meeting with Chris Bergeman happen sooner than later to provide feedback. Coaches

U16 – B. Schiffner suggested a poster be out in April letting them know there will be a U16A and B team in Airdrie and a possibility to be joint again with Cochrane. B. Schiffner will contact Niko CRA to send out a post to the current teams via teamsnap. G. Schmidt suggested that this be explored for U14 as well.



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Year end survey - B. Schiffner to send to Board for feedback and send out to association by Friday, March 20th.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Starting return to play policy. K. Pawsey can assist as well as one parent who has volunteered. To include in policy reporting key in the policy. Goalies mandatory that they be assessed and participate in emergency goalie process. Doctors note for return to play, if under doctor care return to play from them as well as concussion protocol.

TREASURER'S REPORT

All holds have been removed off team bank accounts. Teams have slowly been sending in spreadsheets so J. Amsing can confirm AGLC/team monies.

ARA will be accepting all remaining funds from teams of leftover AGLC money, as advised by AGLC.

Better communication next season about AGLC tracking, what's allowed. Face to face meeting. Policies created.

Process of finishing year end. Waiting on a few final invoices.

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

Nothing to report.

ICE SCHEDULER'S REPORT

Waiting for a few invoices to come in from the City. Sent J. Amsing February invoices. List from Cochrane of ice costs for U16 teams. Preseason ice has been submitted. August 30th UAA will start and U10 rust busting. Evaluations will start September 7th. Regular season September 28th to March 20th? Friday nights, power skating not practices. Younger teams Monday night. Increased ice by one slot and requested 2 for a buffer. Ice calculation is based on registration numbers/teams.

**COACH DEVELOPMENT
DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Postponed coaches/managers meeting. Will contact coaches regarding coaches review. Coaches survey had great feedback. M. Sturby suggested sending a pre Christmas survey. T. Rodgers asked if there is a mechanism to evaluate coaches to bring positive/negative feedback, maybe a form?

**PLAYER DEVELOPMENT
DIRECTOR REPORT**

Recruitment for new members for Board. B. Schiffner to get advertising out and on website. G. Schmidt to contact the Legion regards to hosting AGM. C. LeBlond mentioned the Canadian Brewhouse offered space if needed.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS/
COMMUNICATIONS REPORT**

34 registered for Come Try It, and all but one were referred by a friend. Will be proceeding with the ad in Here's The Scoop. If follow time line for registration, L. Kusler to contact Magnet Signs to advertise for registration. M. Moore has contact and will send to L. Kusler.

**DIRECTOR OF OFFICIAL'S
REPORT**

Nothing to report.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT Waiting on updated invoices from the City. Currently have a \$600 non-refundable deposit to caterer. Outstanding three (3) ice slots that were used with refs. Spoke with Carolyn with RAB and will need to submit financials. Airdrie will have first right to refuse



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hosting 14A Provincials 2021. Has contacted teams and will need to wait 2 weeks regarding refunds.

VOLUNTEER DIRECTOR'S REPORT Nothing to report from K. McIntyre. C. LeBlond & M. Sturby decided that volunteer hours that were to be done at the ROF II would not be required due to the circumstances.

FUNDRAISING DIRECTOR'S REPORT Calgary Flames 50/50 went well. J. Amsing and B. Schiffner attended a meeting with Cam Clark, regarding their sponsorship. For Rocky View Lacrosse they offered \$3000/year or the life of the jersey? Suggestion for Active Start, Step 1 & 2 approximate cost is \$2700. B. Schiffner to contact G. Rice or K. Neill to design integrating Cam Clark logo into current jerseys. They did offer a patch. K. Steele will contact Cam Clark Ford with our suggestion of logo integration and approximate cost of jerseys and approximate number of jerseys (~60 in 2019-2020)

EQUIPMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT Discuss if ARA equipment needs to be sanitized/ozoned, goalie equipment in particular. B. Schiffner will send out an association email regarding the return of the jerseys. No objections to M. Moore getting goalie equipment cleaned.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE'S REPORT (Policy) Update on policies including injury, code of conduct etc. were sent to B. Schiffner. Additional policies to include AGLC and Board code of conduct. D. Turner discussed that wrist guards be brought into the suggested equipment due to an incident that occurred to one his players. D. Turner to bring more information on wrist guards to the next meeting.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE'S REPORT G. Schmidt thanked B. Schiffner for sending out emails regarding communication on parent conduct and build on the momentum that the Board has set. Will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

SECRETARY'S REPORT Approve February 5th, 2020 meeting minutes.

NEXT MEETING DATE The next meeting will be April 15th, 2020 Google Meets 7:00 pm.

MEETING ADJOURNED The March 16th, 2020 meeting adjourned at 8:29 pm.



President

I hereby certify these minutes are correct.



Secretary