



**AIRDRIE RINGETTE ASSOCIATION
MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2021**

A meeting of the Airdrie Ringette Association held in the Airdrie Autobody Room, Genesis Place Airdrie, Alberta, Tuesday, September 7th, 2021 commencing at 7:00 pm.

PRESENT: Clara Leblond (President)
Todd Rodgers (Vice President)
Laura Poile (Secretary)
Mitch Moore (Equipment Director)
Kristi Puszkar (Director of Officials)
Lisa Wesner (Ice Scheduler)
Tanya Reisner (Member-At-Large 1)
Barry Johnston (Member-At-Large 2)
Kendra Bigoraj (Registrar)
Liz Kusler (Public Relations Coordinator)
Sean Neill (Treasurer)
vacant (Fundraising Director)

ABSENT: Drew McKnight (Director of Coach Development)
Sheila Murphy (Volunteer Coordinator)
Dave Holland (ROF Tournament Director)
Scott Flaman (Player Development)
Blair Schiffner (Past President)

CALL TO ORDER The President called the meeting to order at 7:13 pm.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA C. Leblond MOVED, S. Neill SECOND
21-20 THAT the September 7th, 2021 presented agenda be approved.
Motion Carried

ADOPTION OF MINUTES L. Poile MOVED, M. Moore SECOND
21-21 THAT the August 10th, 2021 presented minutes be approved.
Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

PRESIDENT

Board Position C. Leblond MOVED, L. Kusler SECOND
21-22 THAT Dawn Papp be appointed as Fundraising Director.
Motion Carried

Ratify emails 21-23 C. Leblond MOVED, L. Kusler SECOND
THAT ARA pay for board meeting room rentals.
Motion Carried

21-24 C. Leblond MOVED, K. Bigoraj SECOND
THAT ARA waive the late fee for M. Schiffner registration.
Motion Carried

Evaluation number update U19 – twenty-seven (27) two (2) goalies plus player from Cochrane (confirmed by Niko) trying out for U of C. Sixteen (16) declared A. There are three (3) evaluation games. Team of twelve (12) players plus goalie for A leaving thirteen (13) plus goalie at B.

U16 – forty-two (42) players three (3) goalies. Twenty-four (24) trying out for A. Team of thirteen (13) plus a goalie for A leaving twenty-eight (28) for B. Two teams of thirteen (13) plus a goalie.



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U14 – thirty-nine (39) players plus two (2) goalies. Twenty-four (24) trying out for A. Team of twelve (12) for A plus a goalie. One B team of twelve (12) players plus a goalie and one C team thirteen (13) players plus a goalie

U12 – Forty-one (41) players plus two & a half (2.5) goalies. Twenty (20) trying out for A. Team of twelve (12) players plus goalie for A, Thirteen (13) plus a goalie for B and thirteen (13) for C.

Step 1, 2, 3 – forty-five (45) players. Twenty-one (21) trying out for Step 3. Step 1 will have fourteen (14), two (2) teams of seven (7)

Active Start 7

RAB has approved that a goalie can affiliate to two (2) teams.

ARA team total – seventeen (17)

Two (2) U19, three (3) U16, three (3) U14, three (3) U12, one (1) Step 3, two (2) Step 2, one (1) Step 1 and one (1) Active Start

Evaluators

L. Wesner contacted Joanne Douthwaite, she has asked for the schedule. C. Leblond contacted Trevor Hall and ^.

Use U16 & U19 players to evaluate Step 3, 2, and 1.

Cancel U19B 2nd skate

Consensus to cancel the 2nd U19 B skate.

Goalie refund policy

In past years 75% of games played plus provincials goalies received a 50% refund at the end of the season. Not initiated in the last few years, should it? This will be tabled to another meeting.

RAB is requiring a goalie development plan be in place for next season.

There was a suggestion that we host a Come Try It for goalies.

Evaluation guide updates

Guides need to be updated. Will table this and review it after Christmas.

VICE PRESIDENT

U19 tryout fee update

When registration was setup, the \$75 fee would be paid by those players who made the A team. There was feedback that all those trying out should pay. There needs to be discussion when the evaluation guides are updated to avoid any confusion in the future.

21-25 T. Rodgers MOVED, K. Bigoraj SECOND
THAT ARA amend the decision regarding the U19 A tryout fee sent via email August 31st, 2021 and amend to the U19 \$75 tryout fee be applied to all players trying out for A.

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Evaluation Team Genius

Today first UAA with the app. Worked well. Codes will be sent out to the evaluations coordinator and cc'd to the Board.



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TREASURER

S. Neill presented the Treasurer's report. Is still waiting to receive the mailbox key.
Has access to see things in quickbooks, but does not have access to change or add items.
Has been able to make needed payments.
Has investigated the use of a company called Clover – seasonal accounts (all automated, take credit card, debit etc). Will put together a presentation with an overview and send to the Board.
Teams will still have to document all transactions on a spreadsheet.

REGISTRAR

UAA

All scores must be uploaded by September 24th. RAB has sent codes for when teams are formed.

Registration

Total: 205
AS – 7; U10 – 45; U12 – 41; U14 – 40; U16 – 44; U19 – 28
Five (5) athletes made Zone AA (3- U14; 2-U16)

ICE SCHEDULER

Contract is signed with the City. Working with Calgary 1-2-3 ice scheduler for games.

COACH DEVELOPMENT

D. McKnight was not in attendance but provided the following:
Team staff must be registered in RAMP. Has contacted coaches confirming their interest. There will be no in-person coach clinics, all will be online.

PLAYER DEVELOPMENT

S. Flaman was not in attendance. Request for a player development plan to be presented at the next meeting.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Come Try It has three (3) registered participants and will be cancelled based on the numbers.
L. Kusler requested that if anyone has pictures of players to send to her which she will add to social media (with permission to post).

DIRECTOR OF OFFICIALS

Officials clinic for level 1 scheduled September 25th. Officials schedule for evaluation games is filled. C. Leblond to contact K. Puszkas should the second skate for U19B be cancelled.

ROF TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR

C. Leblond presented D. Holland's report on his behalf. ROF I tournament (U12 to U19) is sanctioned and fees have been paid. No out of Province teams are permitted.

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Evaluation Volunteer Sign-Up

Have the majority of the spots filled. We have had some cancellations occur, also have certain sessions that we do not have minimum volunteers needed to properly run the session.
Game evaluations – we do not have a time clock operator for three (3) sessions and also three (3) sessions where we have less than three (3) bench assistants.

Casino

Application has been submitted. Waiting for confirmation of application from AGLC and permit number. Volunteer sign-up is drafted and will be released late next week so that we are not inundating the association with volunteer requests.



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Halloween Social

Hall is booked for Saturday, October 30th. Need to decide if we are proceeding with this event.

Volunteer Policy Change

Now that there is a robust U19 program based on enquiries received I recommend that we modify the policy to allow players that are 16 or older to fulfill their family volunteer hours (association specific hours). The player would need to be adequately able to fulfill the volunteer position and it should also be age appropriate.

21-26 S. Murphy MOVED, L. Poile SECOND
THAT the ARA volunteer policy be amended to allow that any player aged 16 or older can fulfill their family volunteer requirements directly. This would be applicable to the association portion of the hours and the volunteer position should be age appropriate and a task that the player is capable of doing.

Motion Carried

FUNDRAISING DIRECTOR

D. Papp is looking forward to joining the board. She will contact S. Murphy to see if she need's help with the casino.

L. Poile will contact the Balzac Hall in regards to cancelling the Halloween Social.

D. Papp will look at ideas for fundraising and contact D. Holland as there is the beer fridge and cooler from the March tournament that could be raffled.

EQUIPMENT DIRECTOR

Organized and has two (2) UAA bags, as well evaluation bags. M. Moore contacted Jeremy Holmes regarding the shot clock missing from the lock box. All supplies are in the rink operations office. S. Neill mentioned that Jumpstart is still looking for a photo of coaches a few players with the coaches bags. Seventeen (17) sets of jerseys in inventory.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE 1

T. Reisner has been assisting with UAA's and will help where needed. T. Reisner will collect all police checks from the coaches and board members.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE 2

B. Johnston has nothing to report.

SECRETARY REPORT

All code of conduct forms have been submitted.

C. Leblond asked that all board members check your emails daily in the next three (3) weeks especially during evaluations.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be October 5th, 2021 Airdrie Autobody Room, Genesis Place Airdrie.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The September 7th, 2021 meeting adjourned at 9:16 pm.

President

I hereby certify these minutes are correct.

Secretary