



**AIRDRIE RINGETTE ASSOCIATION  
AGM MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2024**

An Annual General Meeting of the Airdrie Ringette Association held in the Rotary Room Genesis Place, 800 East Lake Blvd NE, Airdrie, Alberta, Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 commencing at 7:00 pm.

- PRESENT:** 2023/2024 ARA Board Members  
Mark Roblin, Sean Neill, Laura Poile, Dawn Papp, Sheila Murphy, Drew McKnight, Tanya Reisner, Lisa Wessner, Mitch Moore, Kelie Risdon, Matt Bisschop, Tricia Stojke, Tara Bissell, Clara LeBlond
- CALL TO ORDER** The President called the AGM to order at 7:15 pm.
- QUORUM** The President acknowledged that a quorum of the membership was present thirteen (13) board members, plus one (1) member in good standing. Total (62).
- AGENDA**
- 24-01 C. LeBlond MOVED, D. Papp SECOND,  
THAT the May 14, 2024, AGM Agenda be approved as amended.  
Motion Carried
- 2023 AGM MINUTES**
- M. Roblin reviewed the 2023 minutes. Minutes were emailed to the membership prior to the meeting. There was no open business arising from the minutes.
- 24-02 K. Parfitt MOVED, L. Wesner SECOND,  
THAT the AGM minutes of May 11, 2023 be approved as presented.  
Motion Carried
- AGM PPT PRESENTATION**
- Reports of the Board of Directors, including Airdrie Ringette financial statements for the year ending April 30, 2024.
- 232 ARA Players registered on 19 teams. Most notably 7 U10 teams from Step 1 to 3.  
14 head coaches & 64 assistant coaches.  
Jr. Coaches for every team U14 and below, in some cases 3-4.  
Spring ringette camps were all sold out. Learn to Play full ice – 31 registrants and 3 vs 3 U12, U14, U16/19 saw 75 registrants.  
ARA morning power skating had 47 registrants.  
Each ARA team had approximately 6 power skating sessions with Cary Grant.  
ARA shot challenge had each team receive 1 session with Dallas Robbins with prizes for top player/team.  
Fall 6 week shooting clinic had 56 participants.  
New process to collect volunteer hour deposit at time of registration worked well and great improvement from past year's process.  
Happy to report that ALL families completed their volunteer requirements.  
Hosted inaugural ARA year end banquet with ~140 attendees.  
Hosted 2 Ring of Fire Tournaments (November & February).  
Hosted Come Try It's  
19A won 2<sup>nd</sup> place in provincials.  
14B won 3<sup>rd</sup> place in provincials.  
19A, 16A, 14A all won Zone 2 banners.



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16A & 14B won CRL league banners.  
2023/24 we had 28.5 regular weekly ice hours, including power skating on Friday nights and mornings 2x/week, plus game ice.

Utilized weekly practice ice at Explosive Edge for the Active Starts.  
Held bi-monthly goalie training session at HDC in Calgary.  
Total number of ice sheets this season was roughly 600 (not including tournaments)

Piloted the use of 3<sup>rd</sup> party evaluators (Sports Evaluations Inc (SEI))

- Survey results were resoundingly positive to continue with the service.
  - >80% in agreement
  - 85% of respondents agree their athletes were properly placed.
- Will be contracting SEI for the next 3 seasons at the rate from last season.

ARA has invested funds to create a Bursary Program.

Treasurer's Report

Sean Neill presented the treasurer's report.

2023/2024 ARA financial statement. Prepared by TDJA Accounting – Tanner Desrosiers

Balance as of April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024, current assets \$118,977.06.

24-03

THAT the 2023/2024 ARA Financial Records be accepted as presented.

Motion Deferred to June 4, 2024 Special Meeting

OLD BUSINESS

Policy reviews, will be completed in 2024-2025 as RAB has updated their policies and ARA will look to adopt/align as needed.

NEW BUSINESS

Appoint Auditor

24-04

THAT ARA reappoint Tanner Desrosiers of TDJA Accounting as ARA Auditor for 2024/2025 season.

Motion Deferred to June 4, 2024 Special Meeting

Bursary Program

S. Neill provided an overview of the Bursary Program. M. Roblin mentioned a committee be formed to review the applications and select the recipients. If interested in joining this committee, please email M. Roblin.

2024-2025 Look Ahead

Registration will open Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup>.  
No increase of fees for U10-U19 when registering with early bird.  
Active Start registration is increased to \$349 but continue to keep at Explosive Edge.  
Athletes who turn 18 prior to Sept 1 have the option of entering Open or WRAC.  
Athletes in U16/19 have the option of Flex – noncommittal yet competitive program.  
Note on Fees: It is the goal of the Board that we want to maintain association fees at the current rate, while providing quality



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programming. Due to our previous cash position, we have successfully invested in our athletes thru power skating, shooting clinics, goalie training, 3<sup>rd</sup> party evaluations, and bursary program. Treasurer is recommending ARA sets an additional fundraising goal of \$30K to maintain our fees for the foreseeable future. ARA Board will need volunteers to serve on the following committees:

- bursary award (beginning in June award bursaries in August)
- Fundraising Committee
- Evaluation Committee

**ELECTIONS**

Elected positions are two (2) years and begin immediately after being elected/acclaimed.

**Current Nominations**

Vice-President – Faith Waters  
Treasurer – vacant  
Director of Player Development – Tanya Reisner  
Tournament Director – Matt Brodie  
Equipment Coordinator – Matt Bisschop  
Volunteer Coordinator – vacant  
Ice Scheduler – vacant  
Member-At-Large (2 year) – appointed by ARA Board at next monthly meeting.

By acclamation, Vice-President (F. Waters), Player Development (T. Reisner) Tournament (M. Brodie) & Equipment Coordinator (M. Bisschop) have been appointed.

**2024/2025 FREE MEMBERSHIP DRAW** For all those in attendance at the 2024 AGM will have one (1) entry for each athlete registered with ARA during the 2024/2025 season. Winner is Faith Waters.

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

The May 14, 2024, meeting adjourned at 7:44 pm.

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President

I hereby certify these minutes are correct.

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Secretary