**Alberta Field Lacrosse Association**

Regular Board of Directors meeting

Sunday January 12th 2019 at 10:00am

Holiday Inn and Conference Center – Gaetz Ave Red Deer

## Attendance: Angela Nygaard, Johann Kortenschyl-Allen, Tanya Korenda, Greg Bradley, Jason Schmidt, Heidi Bates, Courtney Hamm, Liza Zeer, Sue Jobb, Don Payne, Ryan Morcom

Regrets: Maria Dietz

Call to order 10:01am

Approval of agenda

**MOTION** Jason Schmidt 2nd Greg Bradley

To approve agenda – **SO CARRIED**

Adoption of prior minutes

**MOTION** Courtney Hamm 2nd Heidi Bates

To approve prior minutes – **SO CARRIED**

Reports

**President** - ALA is doing a pilot project with RMLL where all ALA fees are collected through RAMP and the club will not have to send them in separate. If all goes well it may be implemented for all clubs next season. ALA has requested we finalise AFLA rules and regulations as soon as possible. Next ALA meeting is Jan 19 and 20th.

**MOTION**: Ryan Morcom 2nd Angela Nygaard

To nominate Greg Bradley for VP of Men’s Field Lacrosse

All in favor; none opposed. **SO CARRIED.**

**VP of Men’s Field** – nothing to report

**VP of Women’s Field** – They have done the call for applications for coaches for team Alberta field, historically AFLA hasn't played any role in team Alberta with the selection of players, I think it might be great to see if we can contribute to that in some way, moving forward. Having an AFLA presence at field lacrosse tryouts make sense.

Last year for the women's tryouts there were not a lot of evaluators. Might be an opportunity for us to engage coaches that are from around the province. Helping to be evaluators and that selection process would be a good thing and connect AFLA back to the team Alberta process. ACTION: Heidi BatesWill speak to Jesse Fehr about what the opportunity looks for AFLA to be involved in this process moving forward

**Secretary/Admin Director** – Ramp set up is going smoothly. Not able to train with registration system yet as it was not ready, hoping to have online training session next week. ACTION for all clubs: Require all clubs to send in a copy of there logo for website, a small write up about there club and any pictures we can use to populate the home page. ACTION: Angela Nygaard Will speak to RAMP about setting up the mobile app. Unclear if last years registrations will carry over into the new RAMP system. As of now they are not there. ACTION: Courtney will send to Administration Director the link, login and password for old RAMP Registration site. ACTION: Angela Nygaard will Pull registration reports off old system and save them onto our google drive. Connected to RAMP we will have Facebook, Instagram and Twitter account. These tools have not been utilised in the past.

**MOTION:** Angela Nygaard 2nd Jason Schmidt

To create the position for Alberta Field Lacrosse director of media

All in favor; none opposed. **SO CARRIED**

**MOTION**: Courtney Hamm 2nd Angela Nygaard

Nominate Sue Jobb for the position of AFLA media director

All in favor; none opposed. **SO CARRIED**

ACTION: Angela Nygaard will acquire all logins and passwords for our social media accounts. RAMP issued bill for $25.00 to transfer our domain, gave to Courtney for payment.

**Treasurer** - Two bills from RAMP one for $25 plus GST and one for $500 plus GST, both for setting up ramp getting us going. Since we last spoke, I have reconciled our year end and our balance in our bank account is $13,279.25. Really have nothing that goes through there on a regular basis other than the QuickBooks fee that it is for accounting system and a $3 monthly charge on our bank account.

**Club Reports**

Calgary Field Lacrosse – nothing to report

Mustangs – nothing to report

Orangemen – nothing to report

Gators – had a planning meeting Nov 29th. Registration cost will remain the same. Looking at rebranding with new shorts and pinnies, to be done over the next couple years.

Razorbacks – Working on expanding partnerships with Vimy and with Apex.

Chaos – Was unable to attend the AGM. In 2018 we did not field a team, we sent our kids to the Mustangs. I was advised by Lisa that we were still an active club. However, we just did not get a vote at the AGM. Would like to discuss boundaries

**MOTION:** Angela Nygaard 2nd Greg Bradley

To add boundaries on the agenda under old business

All in favor; none opposed. **SO CARRIED**

Jesters – Unsure on where they stand with there membership application. ACTION:Don Payne sent email to Lisa at ALA for clarification.

**New Business**

**Uniform review** – ALA is looking at enforcing rules and regulations on uniforms (pinnies and shorts) as it pertains to advertising and sponsorship. The main concern is that at a glance you need to be able to identify who the club is, advertising should not over shadow the club. ACTION: Don Payne will ask the ALA for more clarity, what is the reason/purpose of this regulation. How will this regulation pertain to helmet wraps, socks, coach attire, trailers, tents. Also request that the ALA keep in mind the cost associated with these changes.

**Conflict Disclosure** – Conflict disclosure was sent to all club presidents to fill out. To date the Director of Administration has only received one. These need to filled out and submitted to Director of Administration in order to remain in good standing with AFLA and ALA.

Update all clubs BOD – This has been emailed to all club presidents. Needs to be filled out in entirety and returned to Director of Administration. These need to filled out and submitted to Director of Administration in order to remain in good standing with AFLA and ALA.

11:00 Am Meeting break.

Call to order 11:10 am

**Review of AFLA Regulations** – Regulations as updated at present meeting are attached.

ACTION:Don Payne will send to ALA request for amendments to ensure our regulations are inline with the ALA regulations.

ACTION:Angela Nygaard Amend release form to include a check box if grandfathering applies

**MOTION:** Courtney Hamm 2nd Greg Bradley

For the 2019 season AFLA will run parity teams across all age and gender divisions.

8 in favor; 1 opposed. **SO CARRIED**

NOTE: Johann Kortenschyl-Allen (Calgary Field rep) would like it noted on the minutes that Calgary Field is opposed to running novice on half field and would prefer it was played on full sized playing field.

**Referee Clinics** – none booked at this time and not sure of the process to do so for the upcoming season. ACTION: Don will remain in contact with the ALA and ALRA and update the board as more information becomes available.

**Old Business**

**Finalise Field Day Dates and Format** – As per discussion field days for 2019 depending ALA approval. July 20&21 – Central Alberta

Aug 10&11 – Edmonton

Aug 17&18 – Calgary

Sept 6-8 – Provincials

**Field Day format** – Lacoka would like to address the format of field days. Calgary field days historically schedule teams having to play on both Saturday and Sunday, this has resulted in some push back from members due to the the extra time and cost. The concern as a club is that this may result in difficulty in having the most teams possible represent in Calgary. ACTION: Calgary rep will take this concern back to Calgary Field Lacrosse.

**Coach Clinics** – Razorbacks are working on securing a date for CC Development Coaching clinic in Edmonton during March break. ACTION: Jason Schmidt will inform the AFLA BOD when the details are finalised. Lacoka Lacrosse has been approved to host a coach clinic in Lacombe July 19th CC Development and July 19&20th Competitive Intro. ACTION: Angela Nygaard will make sure that this information is made available on our website. Discussion that we should also have a clinic available in southern Alberta. ACTION: Courtney Hamm will work with Greg Bradley to host a clinic in the Didsbury area.

**Provincial dates** – Discussed with finalise field days above.

**Update Bank signing authority -**

**MOTION:** Jason Schmidt 2nd Courtney Hamm

Remove Mike Wood from the Alberta Field Lacrosse Bank Account, and add Don Payne to the Alberta Field Lacrosse bank account with signing authority.

All in favor; none opposed. **SO CARRIED**

**APEX/CHAOS Application package -** Apex and Chaos application – Chaos previous request to accept registrations for men’s field, no application has been received. Chaos would like to address boundaries.

**Boundaries** – Boundaries need to be established for Chaos Field lacrosse ACTION: Jason Schmidt and Sue Jobb will discuss assessing there club boundaries with there respective boards.. Jason and Sue will meet separately to determine if they are able to create boundaries to bring back to the AFLA board. If Razorbacks and Chaos clubs are not able to create boundaries then AFLA will create the boundary. Until such time a boundary is decided on Chaos will operate with in the Razorbacks boundary.

**MOTION:** Ryan Morcom 2nd Angela Nygaard

To accept the boundaries as outline in the planning meeting on November 17th 2019.

All in favour – VP Men’s Field – Greg Bradley

VP Women’s Field - Heidi Bates

Treasurer – Courtney Hamm

Orangemen - Ryan Morcom

Lacoka Gators – Angela Nygaard

Razorbacks – Jason Schmidt

Mustang Lacrosse – Liza Jeer

Opposed – Calgary Field - Johanna Kortenschyl-Allen

Chaos – Sue Jobb

7 in favour; 2 opposed. **SO CARRIED**

**Membership package** - At this time we have the membership requirements outlined in AFLA bylaws. A more in depth package was created and believed to be on the old website. ACTION: Courtney will track down the membership package and send to the Director of Administration. As membership package pertains to Jesters as this time, as recorded during Jesters report, Don has sent an email to ALA for clarification on membership standing and what is still required to move forward.

Noted: Angela Nygaard presented Courtney Hamm with bill for Board room booking for todays meeting $200.00 plus gst. Payment was made to Angela Nygaard to reimburse payment made to Holiday Inn

Noted: Don Payne presented Courtney Hamm with bill for the costs associated in printing off boundary maps for member clubs.

**MOTION**: Ryan Morcom 2nd Courtney Hamm

To adjourn meeting at 3:05pm

All in favour; none opposed. **SO CARRIED**

Next meeting to be held February 9th at 10:00am, location TBD