

Ringette Association of Burlington Annual General Meeting

Thursday May 22, 2025 7:00 PM Google Meet

Max number of attendees throughout the meeting: 26

Notes below capture comments discussed during the meeting and do not include content already on the slide

- 1. Call to Order & Establishment of Quorum
- 2. Approval of Minutes from 2024 AGM
 - a. Seconded by Kevin Aubertin
 - b. Motion passed, minutes approved.
- 3. President's Message (Kate Diell)
 - a. Great season with many many semi finalists and finalists throughout the season.
 - b. FUN program has continued to grow and develop the program for the future.
 - c. U19AA made Nationals and many applications from that team will be submitted for opportunities to join/ play at the upcoming winter games.
 - d. Acknowledgement for Sydney Richarson who earned an invitation to the Junior National team training camp and an opportunity to represent Canada in Finland.
 - e. Exciting news about new partnerships with the greater community.
 - f. Monika Cluteman was the recipient of the Rod Haig Award for 2025!
- 4. Financial Report and Budget Presentation and Approval
 - a. Ended up at a loss of \$7500 by the end of the season. More expenses this year than we brought in through revenue. The last few years we have either brought in a profit or broken even.
 - b. Made many investments into the program this year. Replacing equipment, purchased rink dividers, and purchased new jerseys. With the lending program for FUN 1 and FUN 2, some equipment was in need of being replaced and needed to add more with higher registration.

- c. Tournament is our biggest fundraiser. Set a record last year and matched it this year with the Blast tournament. This has helped us make money to invest in the sport. Allows us to keep registration fees low.
- d. Have a surplus of \$44,000, which allows us to make additional purchases to support teams and build the organization. This money is voted on by members to determine how it is used.
- e. Brett raised a motion to approve the financial statements for the year ending April 30th, 2025. Kate seconded.
 - i. Motion passed, budget approved.
- f. Try to budget to break even each year. Had to raise registration costs due to an increase in ice fees going up. RO advised that they expect a \$10 per player increase for membership fees or insurance. There has been an increase in fees of 3%+\$10.
- g. Mandatory payments through credit cards to eliminate administration work. Simplifies things for Association.
- h. Planning for an additional provincial team.
- Brett raised a motion to approve the financial budget for 2025-26 season, Kate seconded
 - i. Motion passed, budget approved.

5. Registrar's Report

- a. Registration of 201, which was an increase of 25 members over last year.
- b. FUN program accounted for 64 of those registrations.
- c. Even split between Regional and Provincial players. Have almost met our highest registration in 2017 of 206 registrations.
- d. Registration will likely be opening in the next week for the upcoming season. Keep an eye out for emails.

6. BLAST Tournament Report

- a. Another successful year for attendance and fundraising at the annual tournament. These funds will be reinvested into the association to ensure registration costs remain low and player development is prioritized.
- b. We use 50/50 to invest into the program.

7. Season updates

- a. We have used much of the money raised to purchase the Pixelot camera. This allows coaches to record and watch back games to help improve players performance.
- b. Executive has voted to purchase a second camera.
- c. Skyway arena is now open. NHL sized single ice pad with two community rooms and walking track.

8. Nominations and Elections for Committee and Staff Positions

- a. Mark Bedford will be the new Treasurer.
- b. Kevin Aubertin will take on the role of Registrar again.
- c. Erin Heyneman will be the new Fundraising and Sponsorship
- d. Mike Dawson or Oscar Casas Monroy will be the new Bookkeeper. To be voted on at a later date.
- e. Positions still requiring volunteers include: **President, Blast Tournament Chair and Ice**Scheduler
- f. 9. Open Q&A No questions asked.

10. Adjournment

- a. Kate puts forward the motion to adjourn, Kevin seconded.
- b. Motion has passed, AGM adjourned.