



## Calgary District Lacrosse Association Monthly Board Meeting

**Date: May 11, 2022**

**Time 7:00 PM**

**Location: Via Videoconference**

**Attendance:** Wade Bowley, President; Keith Berg and Shannon Stiefel, Rockyview; Kevin Murray, Executive Director; Sheila McCarthy, Vice President-Development; Melinda Bevis, Knights; Steve Hofland, High River; Robin Latajka and Ashley Bamford-Dobbyn, Axemen; Jonathan Peters, Treasurer; Trevor Mandziak, Strathmore; Kelly Mantei, Sabrecats; Debbie Goodfellow and Owen Jones, Hornets; Kelly Foord, Fury; Brent Robinson, Secretary and Raiders; Jim Norris, Discipline; Tracey Deplaedt, Bookkeeper;

### **1. Call to Order – 7:02 pm**

**2. Minutes** – Motion to approve April 4, 2022 Minutes. Moved: Sheila M. Seconded: Trevor M. Motion Carried.

### **3. Agenda – Canada Day Report added to Agenda.**

#### **4. Canada Day Report**

Currently we have 74 teams registered, I am waiting for payment from 6 CDLA teams not including the Fury teams for 14U as I have not received confirmation of their team contact information and 12 non CDLA teams. Despite the deadline for tournament fees being May 1st. I have sent many follow up emails regarding payments every couple of days.

I do have additional teams looking to register but I don't have any additional hotel space as one of our hotels that held 50 rooms, came back and said that they had an error on their end and could not fulfill our signed contract of rooms.

Should some of the registered teams not pay, I may be able to replace some of them but we are close to our deadline with the city to return floor space and will have to

make some decisions. Do we want to open up additional spots for CDLA teams to participate in the tournament? We have space in all our B divisions to have more teams play but it would require a quick turnaround for registering and payment.

**Note:** Teams will be given until Monday to get money in otherwise spots will be opened up to other teams on a first pay and you're in basis.

The C divisions are a challenge! 12U-C had the hornets and Sabrecats return their spots. Currently we have the Rage and the Axemen and the Fort St John team that hasn't paid yet. They are confirming with me on May 11th if their 12U and 16u teams will be attending. 14U they have said will be attending for sure. 14U has only the Hornets, Rage and the Fort St. John team and maybe a team from the crownsnest pass which should be a go. 16U has only the hornets, axemen and the Fort st John team. Fort st John is confirming with me tonight if all 3 teams are attending or not.

We are still awaiting information from the roughnecks regarding sponsorship and use of their logo. Both our medal supplier and apparel supplier have notified us of supply issues and we are likely going to be scrambling to get medals and apparel with the delay from the roughnecks. I think that we need to move ahead with medals of some sort and apparel. Should we go ahead and use the CDLA logo?

Chex will be onsite but not a tent as they have felt the covid pinch with their business.

Out of town teams are receiving their hotel booking information from the hotels this week.

## **5. Coach Certification**

There remains a problem with getting all coaches certified. At this time, 21% of teams appear to show no certified coach. 50% at 1 or more. 15% for all coaches.

All clubs should push to get as many of their coaches certified. There are no guarantees that coaches without certification will be able to continue coaching. There are clinics this weekend. There are no assurances that coaches will not be able to be on the bench if they do not have properly certified coaches.

Registrar's can check their Teams page to see who needs to get certified.

## **6. Game Rescheduling/Referees**

There are games that have to be changed to accommodate referees. Each time an update happens, it needs to update through RAMP, the Referee's scheduling software (Arbiter) and then trickle down to Facilities. However, Facilities have stuff printed out and don't check the website regularly. The website from RAMP should always be considered the most up to date and accurate source of information.

June 18-19 weekend has been set aside as a “make up weekend” so hopefully any games remaining will slot in there.

## **7. Overaged Player List**

ALA Regulations have been changed to make sure this is clearer and alleviate any problems. Regulation now reads:

### **5.04 Exceptions to Registration in Competition Age Groups**

Any exception for any individual player to these regulations, 5.03.1, 5.03.2, 5.03.3 and 5.03.4 must be submitted for approval to the Local Governing Body or the ALA, if there is no Local Governing Body, three (3) weeks prior to the start of the current season. Approval will be sent to the player within two weeks of the request for exception. There is no appeal from the decision of the LGB or the ALA. Exceptions are valid ONLY for the current season.

5.04.1 Overage requests may be approved by the LGB or the ALA, if there is no Local Governing Body, on a case by case basis for reasonable medical accommodation, player safety, if there is not an appropriate division team with roster spots available in the players Boundary as per ALA Regulation 1, or preservation of a program.

5.04.2 Underage players may be approved by the LGB or the ALA, if there is no Local Governing Body, on a case by case basis for reasonable medical accommodation, player safety, if there is not an appropriate division team with roster spots available in the players Boundary as per ALA Regulation 1, or preservation of a program.

5.04.3 A listing of all exceptions must be provided to the ALA Office complete with the reason for approval of the exception by June 1 of the current playing season.

## **8. Budget Update**

Kevin went through the budget update. Cash flow is challenging but ultimately expecting to be a small surplus.

## **9. Adjournment**

Motion to Adjourn. Moved: Owen J. Seconded: Brent R. Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 6:13 pm.

**Next Meeting:** June 14 at 7 pm.