



Calgary District Lacrosse Association Minutes of Monthly Board Meeting

Date: February 5, 2018

Time 7:00 PM

Location: MacLeod Trail Co-op

Attendees: Executive: Frank Natt, Keith Berg, Steve Harlow, Kelly Mantei and Brent Robinson. Executive Director: Kevin Murray, Hornets: Sheila MacCarthy and Debbie Goodfellow, Knights: Melinda Bevis, Axemen: Darrel Knight and Ashley Bamford-Dobbyn, Sabrecats: Craig Schell and Kelly Foord, Rage: Ashley Reutlinger, Vipers: Glenn Shaw and Ryan Pilsner, Heat: Steve Hofland, Raiders: Brad Banister, At Large: Don Payne

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Motion for Approval of the Agenda – Chestermere Nets and Software Consultant added.**
- 3. Motion for Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting – Moved: Darrell. Seconded: Craig. Motion Carried.**
- 4. New Business**
 - a. Tiering and Merged Teams**

It was confirmed that HOKs, as a joint Okotoks-Knights project would be continuing. Any High River players that wished to play A would have to go to HOKs.

There was discussion surrounding how the situation would operate with Rockyview and Strathmore, concerning the number of players, the timing of evaluations and the potential release of players. The general principle that all players who wish to try out for an A team should be provided that opportunity. It appears that it will be sufficient that once Rockyview does its evaluation, they will let Strathmore know how many kids are selected. Strathmore will then decide if it will put in its own A team. If Strathmore

chooses to do so, then RV will release the selected kids back to Strathmore and release its final roster.

Motion: Accept the Tiering document as presented at the planning day and as found on the CDLA website as at February 5, 2018, with the exception that Rockyview and Strathmore will not be a merged club. Strathmore participants who are A level may only be released to Rockyview.

Moved: Darrel K. Seconded: Craig. Motion Carried

b. Realignment Concerns with Novice and PeeWee Girls

Following a brief discussion a consensus developed that no exemptions would be given. No formal motion made.

c. Tyke Games and Practices

Due to ALA mandating the "L" set of rules for the Tyke Age group, CDLA needs to agree upon a common format.

Motion: There should be 8 games and 8 practices for all Tyke teams. The clubs will allocate the practice times.

Moved: Darrell. Seconded: Melinda. Motion Carried.

d. CDLA Playoffs and Provincials

Kevin M. raised the possibility that with the Provincials being held in Calgary, there was an opportunity for the regular season to be lengthened and to allow all CDLA teams to opt in to Provincials. Member clubs are asked to discuss with their member clubs the following Notice of Motion:

Notice of Motion to be considered at March 5, 2018 Board Meeting: To eliminate regular City Playoffs and allow all teams to opt into participating in Provincials.

e. Strategic Plan

Kevin M. raised the idea that CDLA may be better served if a larger group of volunteers with a more diverse skill set was developed. This group could potentially allow for better long term planning. Recruiting in more volunteers would be accomplished by setting up committees, most likely chaired by knowledgeable members of the Board.

One committee would be the Coaching Development Committee. Steve Harlowe will chair.

A second committee would be the Promotions and Advertising Committee. A search for a Chair will proceed.

f. Crossfield and Chestermere Nets

Games between CDLA and Red Deer teams will be played in Crossfield. They will need nets. Chestermere is supplying inexpensive smaller floors for younger players.

Motion: To approve a non-budget expenditure up to \$3,000 for nets for Crossfield and Chestermere as needed.

Moved: Ashely. Seconded: Glenn. Motion Carried.

g. Software Evaluation Consultant

Kelly advised that she had been in contact with a professional who specializes in evaluating software solutions for various purposes and providing recommendations on the appropriate software based on the needs of the organization. She estimated that she could provide something on the CDLA's software needs for \$500.

Motion: A non-budget expenditure up to \$500 for a consultant to review and advise on Sportzsoft, Ramp and other similar options and their appropriateness for CDLA.

Moved: Glenn. Seconded: Craig. Motion Carried.

5. Follow Up on Matters Arising at Prior Meetings

a. Discipline Director Follow Up

While Ray Landymore had advised that he was prepared to be considered for the position, it was agreed that the best practice was to place the position up for applications. The availability for the position will be posted on the website. Applications will be accepted up to February 28, 2018. The Executive will present their recommended candidate at the next meeting.

b. Female Lacrosse Resolution

The proposed resolution from the prior meeting was reviewed. The clubs expressed some uncertainty owing to the lack of details.

Motion: To create a new club in the CDLA that will be responsible for the delivery of all female lacrosse programs and leagues.

Moved: Frank. Seconded: Steve.

Motion to amend to: Create a new club in the CDLA that will be responsible for the delivery of all female lacrosse programs and leagues, on the condition that a strategic plan will be provided to the Board by the first June Board Meeting.

Amendment accepted by Frank and Steve. Amended motion carried.

c. Midget Nationals

Darrel confirmed that Calgary will be hosting the Midget Box Nationals and was looking forward to all member clubs providing volunteer assistance.

d. Risk Management

Motion: CDLA will adopt a Level 3 Rule of 2 Risk Management Policy.

Moved: Darrell. Seconded Keith. Motion Carried.

7. Recap and action items

Abridged for Time.

8. Next Meetings

It was resolved to hold the next meetings as follows:

March Board Meeting – Monday, March 5, 2018, 7:00 PM at McLeod Trail Co-Op

Numbers Meeting – Wednesday, March 14, 2018, 7:00 pm at McLeod Trail Co-Op

April Board Meeting – Monday, April 9, 2018, 7:00 PM at McLeod Trail Co-Op

8. Motion for Adjournment – Moved, Jason, Seconded, Ashley. Motion Carried.