



Calgary District Lacrosse Association Minutes of Monthly Board Meeting

Date: March 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: Jason Montgomery, Sheila MacCarthy and Debbie Goodfellow, Knights: Melinda Bevis, Axemen: Darrel Knight and Ashley Bamford-Dobbyn, Sabrecats: Craig Schell, Rage: Ashley Reutlinger and Terilyn Palmer, Vipers: Scott Fargey, Glenn Shaw and another, Heat: Steve Hofland, Raiders: Brent Robinson, At Large: Don Payne

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Motion for Approval of the Agenda** – Critical Exemptions, ALRA Report, Numbers, Female Lacrosse and Canada Day Report added. Moved: Darrel K. Seconded: Ashley R. Motion Carried.
- 3. Motion for Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting** – Moved: Craig Seconded: Steve H. Motion Carried.
- 4. Guest Presentation – Danielle Melnyk, Chair Game Experience Committee on improving the game experience.**

Danielle gave a presentation on the importance of preventing abuse, bullying and harassment in sport generally, and lacrosse specifically, in order to retain players in sport and to grow the game. She is looking for volunteers from the clubs to serve on the committee and help. Anyone with tips or related records was encouraged to email them to her.

- 5. Financial Report**

The AGLC Use of proceeds meeting will take place before the next Board meeting.

Kelly is going to update our Roughnecks money procedure.

A repayment of ORLA's indebtedness is expected shortly.

Canada Day Report – Kelly M.

All of the Sabrecat information is in, still waiting on some information for High River. There was some question regarding whether the HOKs teams would be taking the High River slots. Teams need to confirm by March 14. Various sponsors are being solicited and new vendors will be appearing.

Apparel order will be modified to reflect prior sales (for example, hoodies)

The Current registration is 45 outside teams and 43 CDLA teams, with teams from Ontario, Saskatchewan, BC and California registered.

6. New Business

a. Risk Management and Financial Procedures – Ashley R.

There are currently no precedents or templates for financial procedures, mitigating risk liability and similar matters for new clubs. Part of Ashley's duties for ALA are to develop templates for these types of procedures.

The first procedure she is developing is for financial governance. This includes how to make sure the executive knows what the financial situation is and avoid having clubs end up in a difficult position.

Ashley has prepared a draft procedure for the clubs review. She would like CDLA clubs to provide feedback on it by June 1.

b. Marketing and Cross Promotion – Frank N.

Frank was approached with an opportunity to cross-promote lacrosse with the local basketball association and wanted feedback on the opportunity. The consensus was for Frank to proceed.

c. HOKs Bantam A – Melinda B.

HOKs has enough players for a Bantam A team and has located a coach. No further action necessary.

d. Coach Development – Steve H.

Steve has been in contact with the Sr. B Knights and Mounties to assist with a coach development opportunity. They are willing to give 8, 2 hour floor times each (1 for each club). During that time, each club will bring 1 team and their coaches. The senior team will run a practice, but then pause and allow time for instruction and questions from the coaches in attendance. They will also provide a drill pack from the practice. There will then be a 1 hour class time in which there will be further instruction.

In exchange, CDLA will pay each team \$3,000. The floor times will happen on Thursday nights and some weekends..

Motion: To bring in Sr. B. Knights and Sr. B. Mounties with a \$3,000 each stipend for a 24 hour commitment for a coaching development program for a 1 year trial. The funding model will be on a \$1,000 per club basis from teh Roughnecks 2018 funds.

Moved: Steve H. Seconded: Darrel K. Motion Carried

e. New Website – Frank N.

The new website should be online this Friday. There will be one site for CDLA featuring the new logo. There will be an accompanying but separate site for Canada Day. The information most prominently displayed will vary based on the time of year (for example, registration from January to March, Schedules and Scores from April to July) It will be hosted by Wordpress which will also allow it to support online training and related matters.

If there are any appropriate photos of Calgary, lacrosse, please send them in.

f. Critical Exemptions

Michael McCutcheon – Release from RMLL back to Midget. Size and experience.

Moved: Darrel. Seconded: Melinda. Motion Carried

Jaden Thompson – Female Bantam asking to stay in PeeWee. Size, experience and injury. Moved: Darrel. Seconded Melinda. Motion Carried.

Matthew Allen – Midget Goalie asking to stay in Bantam. Size and lack of goalies in Bantam. Moved: Darrel. Seconded: Ashley. Motion Carried.

McKenna Shaeffer – Female PeeWee wants to move up to Bantam. PeeWee roster is full and player is capable. Moved: Darrel. Seconded: Ashley. Motion Carried

Keelin Vogen – Bantam player wishes to stay in PeeWee. Size. Moved: Darrel. Seconded: Ashley. Motion Carried.

Kennedy Melanson and Rowan Smith – Seeking to go from Knights to Hornets at novice level. Player numbers make sense. Moved: Melinda. Seconded: Jason. Motion Carried.

Josephine Lister, Isabelle Tachney and Reece Kost – Female PeeWees seeking to go from Knights to Hornets. Numbers make sense. Moved: Melinda. Seconded: Jason. Motion Carried.

Liam Vivian – Jr. Player seeking to play midget again. Size. Moved: Melinda. Seconded: Craig. Motion Carried.

Sam Phailer – PeeWee seeking to stay in Novice. Size. Moved: Jason. Seconded: Darrel. Motion Carried.

Chase Penner – Seeking to stay back in same age group. Size. Moved: Glenn. Seconded: Darrel. Motion Carried.

Kaley McKay – Female Bantam Goalie seeking to play midget. Experience and ability. Moved: Ashley. Seconded: Steve H. Motion Carried.

Clair Paul – Jr. Seeking to stay in midget. Approved by RMLL, size, injury and experience. Moved: Jason. Seconded: Ashley. Motion Carried.

Ella Friesen – Midget seeking to stay in Bantam. Experience and injury. Moved: Ashely, Seconded Keith B. Motion Carried.

g. ALRA Report - Carmen

The ALRA has a new board and executive. While fees have increased this year, for the first time in some time, the mileage system has been revised which will be fairer and mitigate most cost issues.

The fast track program to allow more experienced players to move up into higher level games sooner is working well and has resulted in more refs at senior levels. The clinics have been set earlier and seems to have resulted in a sufficient number of referees.

If there are any requests of ALRA, bring them back for next meeting. ALRA is insisting that any tournament with 2 locations will need to RICs.

h. Numbers preliminary review

Based on the number of teams likely to be submitted by the member clubs, it appears that Midget C will be available this season.

7. Follow Up on Matters Arising at Prior Meetings

a. Discipline Director Follow Up

There have been 5 applicants for the position. There will be interviews in the upcoming week and a decision by the end of the week.

b. CDLA Playoffs and Provincials

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

Motion defeated.

Motion (following amendment): CDLA Playoffs will be a single elimination tournament ending the Sunday before Canada Day.

Moved: Darrel. Seconded: Keith. Motion Carried

c. Female Lacrosse

The next Female Lacrosse Committee meeting will be March 15, 2018. All Clubs are requested to get anyone interested in female lacrosse and this initiative to attend. Hoping to appoint a prospective Board.

7. Recap and action items

As per the minutes.

8. Next Meetings

It was resolved to hold the next meetings as follows:

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

May Board Meeting – Monday, May 7, 2018, 7:00 pm at McLeod Trail Co-Op

June Board Meeting – Monday, June 4, 2018, 7:00 pm at McLeod Trail Co-Op

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