Didsbury Lacrosse Association

Meeting Minutes February 16th, 2017

Opening

The regular meeting of the Didsbury Lacrosse Association was called to order at 7:11PM on February 16th,2017 in Didsbury Memorial Complex by Rausheen Edwards President.

Present

Rausheen Edwards President, Tricia Kruger Vice President, Tracy Fox Secretary, Keanna Fox Equipment Co-Ordinator, Clint Aarsby Discipline, Jason Hildebrant Coach Co-Ordinator, Cory Melanson Fundraising, Joyce MacPherson-Litke Media, Jamie Hildebrant, Laura Hooson, Dennis Apparel.

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was unanimously approved as distributed.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes by Tricia, approved by Rausheen.

Presidents Report

I have been leaning lots in the last few weeks, focusing on the by-laws & regulations for the ALA, CALL & DLA.

Tricia & I are in constant contact keeping myself up to speed on past board decisions, policies, and procedures as well as important dates.

I have spoken with Chad J. Evans who, with the boards approval would be willing to be our Registered Office & waive his fees. This would prevent the unknowingly dissolved in the future.

Tricia attended the CALL meeting on February 12,2017 in my absence. Thank you Tricia. Tricia to fill us in on the meeting.

Dennis Deis from TRI hardgear is attending the meeting this evening. Thank you for coming on such short notice.

I have been watching the teams slowly climb in numbers. Bantam & PeeWee numbers looking good & may want to look at moving some kids up or potentially need two teams if numbers continue to rise.

I have reviewed the Responsible Coaching Movement & look forward to hearing what everyone input is.

On a less positive note. I have been contacted in the last few days & given a picture of a police report in the local news paper this week. It reads as follows:

Police charged Charles Schmidt, a 43 year old male from Didsbury, with Criminal Harassment stemming for an alleged family violence issue on February 3,2017

I have contacted Evelyn (CALL President) as I was unsure how to proceed with this. Evelyn included Lisa (ALA Executive Director) who sent me the ALA Policy & Procedure to me. She included a note saying the answer to this is quite simple, "we do not require your services at this time for a coach".

She also Made it clear that the ALA does require Criminal Record checks for its coaches.

After reading the ALA policy & procedures it states that anyone with an outstanding violent crime charge is not allowed to be a coach. I also called the RCMP & asked if this is considered a violent charge. They said yes it can be, & should be considered as such when working with children.

Sec 4.22 ALA policy on screening volunteers & coaches implemented 2016 season. This includes Criminal Record checks.

Vice President Report

Tricia attended the CALL meeting on February 12,2017

Info from the scheduler meeting.

Requested May 27,2017 for our Lax/Tyke day.

June 10-11 for wind up in Stettler.

If we have a no show for a ref we can call Cole Smith for further infor.

We are unable to change team names until after the schedule is done at CALL.

The schedule will be available from the board March 24,2017.

Info from the CALL meeting.

Ref clinic March 18,2017. We have 6 attending from our area.

Refs earn \$35.00 an hour plus travel.

The more refs in our area the less we pay for travel.

There will be mentoring for all new refs.

Updating no line scoring.

DLA Discipline Procedures

Coaching clinics paid after complete.

March 15,2017 Society needs to be complete or we will NOT have insurance for the club.

Registration numbers are as follows:

Bantam - 18

Midget - 6

Novice – 10

PeeWee - 20

MiniTyke - 3

Tyke - 7

Next CALL meeting March 19,2017 RedDeer.

New Business

Laura Hooson nominated for Scheduler by Rausheen, Joyce second, Laura accepted, motion passed.

Welcome Laura Hooson.

Rauseen motions to have Chad J. Evans be the Registers Office, Board seconds the motion & motion is passed.

Parent/Player Code of Conduct.

Review all Discipline procedures.

Conflict of Interest Coaching.....have a 3rd party present.

Player Movement to make teams.

Up PeeWee to 30 members.

Bantam we have 18 players up it 30.

Mini Tyke could move up to Tyke.

Parent course for game sheets.

First night of practice is March 13,2017 at WestGlen School.

PeeWee, Midget, Bantam Practice Mondays & Wednesdays 5:30PM – 9:00PM

Tyke, Novice Tuesdays & Thursdays 5:30PM – 8:00PM

April 10th,2017 Practice starts at the Arena.

Coaching Clinic must be registered by April 1,2017

Email Chuck Schmidt declining coaching application.

All coaches will require to complete the coaching application & a Criminal Record Check.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15PM by Rausheen Edwards President. The next general meeting will be at 7:00PM on March 13, 2017, in Didsbury Memorial Complex in the concession.

Minutes submitted by: Tracy Fox

Approved by: Rausheen Edwards