



Innisfail Minor Lacrosse Association

Board Meeting, Monday February 12, 2024 1830 HRS

Innisfail Twin Arenas Meeting Room

Attendees

Annette Smith, *President*
Alexis Verhegge, *Vice-President*
Stacie Wadin, *Secretary*
Lindsay Taylor, *Treasurer*
Amanda Knock, *Registrar*
Shelby Mackie, *Scheduler*
Ryan Philip, *Discipline Chair*

Steve Mackie, *Equipment Coordinator*
Stacey Mackie, *Director of Tournaments*
Nate Justice, *Director of Player/Coach
Development*
Amber Philip, *Director of Public Relations &
Fundraising*

1. Call to Order

1.1. Meeting called to order at 18:36 by Annette Smith.

2. Reading & Approval of Previous Minutes

❖ Motion to approve previous minutes by Amber Philip.

Seconded by Stacey Mackie. None opposed. **Motion carried.**

3. Business Arising From Previous Minutes

3.1. Try-It Night(s)

3.1.1. Coaches booked for Feb 21?

3.1.1.1. Nate, Allie, Mavericks players.

3.1.2. 2nd Try It Night

3.1.2.1. March 18/19th as we will definitely have the floors by then.

3.1.2.2. Will run as a "Bring a Friend" style event where current registrants are able to bring a friend to their regularly scheduled practice.



- 3.1.3. Offering EBD to new attendees?
 - 3.1.3.1. Yes. Only valid for February 21st.
 - 3.1.3.2. Only for players new to IMLA.
 - 3.1.3.3. Only available for 48 hours post event.

3.2. Fundraising Initiative Follow Up

- 3.2.1. Charity Game
 - 3.2.1.1. Last count 6 RCMP interested, 1 willing to be goalie. Will talk to Bowden Fire.
 - 3.2.1.2. Who are we fundraising for?
 - 3.2.1.2.1. Food Bank. \$5 with food bank donation, \$10 without per adult, kids free.
 - 3.2.1.2.2. 50/50. Raffle table maybe? Silent auction?
 - 3.2.1.2.2.1. TABLED. To be decided closer to the event, dependant on what we are requesting from other
- 3.2.2. Beef Raffle
 - 3.2.2.1. Talked to 4 different butchers/producers.
 - 3.2.2.1.1. Independent, \$1150, \$2300
 - 3.2.2.1.2. Angus Store \$1300, \$2500
 - 3.2.2.1.3. Caroline Meats \$3/lb \$1200? Maybe not correct?
 - 3.2.2.1.4. Olds College price differs depending on quarter.
 - 3.2.2.1.5. Reaching out to The Farmer's Table & Meat Chop.
 - 3.2.2.2. Decision of where to purchase tabled until prices from other businesses are received.

POST MEETING FOLLOW UP: Received quotes from Meat Chop, The Farmer's Table is not set up to do this. Decision was made to go with Olds College.

❖ Motion to spend up to \$2500 on half a beef by Alexis Verhegge.

Seconded by Nate Justice. None opposed. **Motion carried.**

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3.2.3. Pub Night

3.2.3.1. Hideout - April 19th. Silent Auction. \$600 cost.

❖ Motion to spend \$600 to book a Pub Night at The Hideout on April 19.

Seconded by Amanda Knock. None opposed. **Motion carried.**

3.2.3.2. Cover charge/entry fee.

3.2.3.3. Shelby to Blackout April 19th.

3.2.3.4. 6PM- 11PM. Close silent auction @ 10PM.

3.2.3.5. Silent Auction Items Needed -

3.2.3.5.1. Recognize that we will be asking our families for a lot this year.

3.2.3.5.2. Rather than asking individual families to provide another item, we will ask each team as a whole to provide at least one item (or multiple items) with a cumulative minimum dollar value of \$250 per team .

3.3. Concession

3.3.1. Still in progress. No new information at this point.

4. Additions & Approval of the Agenda

4.1. Additions to Agenda

4.1.1. Next Casino.

4.2. Approval of Agenda

❖ Motion to approve agenda as amended by Alexis Verhegge.

Seconded by Nate Justice. None opposed. **Motion carried.**

5. New Business

5.1. Schedule/Mavericks

5.1.1. Dry User Meeting. Mavericks are adamant they want to practice earlier in the night, however the needs of IMLA come first. Minor Sports groups have priority of usage of the facility over junior/adult teams.

5.1.2. As a compromise, we are able to bump 30 minutes earlier than our traditional start time of 5:30PM to a 5PM start time.

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5.2. Apparel

- 5.2.1. Noticed that apparel orders have begun for other local organizations. We would like to follow suit. Complaints from last year's apparel included receiving them too late in the season.
- 5.2.2. We have been in contact with Digger Sports to supply apparel this year. Diggers can create an online store for our members to order from, and are claiming a 2-week turnaround time. They work in group orders - open for a set period of time, then closed and all orders completed.
- 5.2.3. Two Group Orders.
 - 5.2.3.1. First order due in order to be completed by eye opener weekend.
 - 5.2.3.2. Second order opens after the first order is received.
- 5.2.4. Stacey will continue to speak to Diggers and provide them with artwork to get this shop up and running ASAP.

POST MEETING FOLLOW UP: Shop opened for first order on February 23 with orders due by March 6. Orders should be received before Eye-Opener weekend.

5.3. Photographer

- 5.3.1. Aim for week after Eye Opener so photos are received sooner than wind-up.

❖ Motion to use Elevate UAV for team photos again this season by Lindsay Taylor.

Seconded by Stacey Mackie. None opposed. **Motion carried.**

- 5.3.2. Amber will contact to see if he is available 16th & 18th.

POST MEETING FOLLOW UP: Elevate was unavailable April 16th & 18th. Photos are booked for April 30th/May 2nd, 5-9 PM.

5.4. TeamLinkt

- 5.4.1. Advantages: Use as an association gives a second avenue of communication to all teams, Free to use, Canadian.
- 5.4.2. Disadvantages: Ads, Less Common
- 5.4.3. Given that the app is free, we will continue to use it as an association. If a team would prefer to use/pay for TeamSnap, they are welcome to do so.

5.5. Innisfail Registration Night, Spring Edition - March 5

- 5.5.1. IMLA is registered for this event. Amber & Stacie will attend.



5.6. Over Age Players

- 5.6.1. Gavin Brennan is 2011, would prefer to play U13.
 - 5.6.1.1. A vote was held. Decision: No. Due to lower numbers in U15 and years of experience played, we can not approve this player as an over-age.
- 5.6.2. Rylan McKinnon would be juniors, but would prefer to play U17.
 - 5.6.2.1. A vote was held. Decision: Yes, based on play last year.
- 5.6.3. Eythan Young would be juniors, but would prefer to play U17 due to family circumstances.
 - 5.6.3.1. A vote was held. Decision: No. Has played at least 3 years.

POST MEETING FOLLOW UP: After further contact with Eythan's family and circumstances further explained, a second vote was held. The decision was upheld and the matter was passed on to CALL.

5.7. Age Division Board Representatives

- 5.7.1. Given the purpose of these is to be a liaison between the age group and the board, two things to be considered:
 - 5.7.1.1. Liaison should be unbiased (not have any children in that age group)
 - 5.7.1.2. President & Vice President should not be included as liaisons as they are the next step in communication after the liaison.

2024 Age Division Representatives	
U7	Stacie Wadin
U9	Steve Mackie
U11	Amber Philip
U13	Nate Justice
U15	Ryan Philip
U17	Lindsay Taylor

5.8. Next Casino

- 5.8.1. We are on the list for Oct-Dec 2026.

6. Board Member Reports

6.1. President Report - Annette Smith

- 6.1.1.



- Team Alberta coaches have been chosen.
- There is a call out for a Team Alberta Coordinator.
- There is a special meeting of the members February 29, 2024.
- 4 on 4 had 22 teams, all went well, no discipline action
- Female try-it night had 49 girls participate.
- As of Jan. 30 there are 487 players registered so far, not counting A. As of Feb. 6 660 total
- U13 Development Camp. Registration is open. March 16 for U13 players, March 17 for goalies.
- Current and potential coaches are encouraged to attend and interact on the floor throughout the day. \$25/player, coaches and goalies are free.
- 2024 Call fees \$30/player
- 2024 ALA fees \$60.25/player
- RIC is looking for help with assigning, but they may have a person interested.
- Discipline: added to chart
 - 1. "it is the Head coaches duty to know all discipline actions for team (any suspensions), and
 - 2. Any game misconduct received by a coach is automatically a 2 game suspension and ejection from the game. These can be accumulated.
- Reminder to ensure all head coaches are registered in RAMP.
- Still need dates for the coach/managers meeting. Suggestions?
- Tournaments: 2 instead of 3 unless granted special permission, includes home tournaments. This is for the regular season only. Can enter tournaments before Eyeopener, and after end of season.
- Playoffs: U11 – Olds, U13 – Innisfail, U15 – Lacoka, U17 – open
- February 26, all game floor submissions are due, as well as all OA and UA player requests.
- Next meeting: February 26, 2024 @7

6.2. Vice-President Report - Alexis Verhegge

- 6.2.1. Manager Meeting will be held April 4th, 6PM.
- 6.2.2. LiveBarn Note: Mavericks live stream all their games. Mavericks want lacrosse viewing to be free for all, and oppose LiveBarn because they charge a fee.

6.3. Secretary Report - Stacie Wadin

- 6.3.1. No report.

6.4. Treasurer Report - Lindsay Taylor

- 6.4.1. No spending this month.
- 6.4.2. \$37600 casino \$81595 community acct (80% registrations are paid)
- 6.4.3. Would like to enable the RAMP credit card transaction system in future years as a payment option, would cut down on the amount of manual effort required by both registrants and admins.
- 6.4.4. SOS Account signor changes- Add Stacey with full access, add Annette and Lindsay as signors.



6.5. Registrar Report - Amanda Knock

6.5.1. Current Numbers:

U7	U9	U11	U13	U15	U17	U19
9	14	31	17	9	12	0

6.6. Director of Scheduling Report - Shelby Mackie

- 6.6.1. Dry Floor Meeting - As of the meeting, March 11th for Red, but IMHA has put in a request to push that back one week and we are awaiting a decision from the town.
- 6.6.2. April 9th for Blue
- 6.6.3. April 4-7th Trade Show, April 19th-20th Dean Turnquist Floor Hockey
- 6.6.4. Eagles have put a bid in to host the Allan Cup Next year potentially meaning not getting onto blue surface until May. Will also lose the red surface for the week of the event.
- 6.6.5. Daily Events \$200/day additional fee applies to daily and weekend rates. \$0.40 increase for hourly rate.
- 6.6.6. Stingers reached out, wanting to do a crossover weekend May 4th & 5th.
- 6.6.7. We will publish a tentative schedule after ice removal is confirmed.

6.7. Director of Player/Coach Development Report - Nate Justice

- 6.7.1. Mavericks have offered a wide array of services this year. Have offered to go over practice plans with each age group and provide coach support and junior coaches.
- 6.7.2. 15 bench staff applications received so far. No Head Coach applications for U7 or U15 have been received at this time.
- 6.7.3. Recovery Lab in Red Deer offering a 20% discount on sport recovery packages.

6.8. Director of Discipline Report - Ryan Philip

6.8.1. No report.

6.9. Director of Equipment Report - Steve Mackie

6.9.1. No report.



6.10. Director of Public Relations & Fundraising's Report - Amber Philip

- 6.10.1. Emailed schools in Innisfail, Bowden, Penhold, Spruceview for try-it night.
- 6.10.2. Working on Sponsor contracts.
- 6.10.3. Kinsmen has lots of money to spend - reached out to them for potentially sponsoring socks/shorts for all players.

POST MEETING FOLLOW UP: Kinsmen responded with an offer for 90 youth shorts with the Kinsmen logo on them. Given this is not enough for all players, we have moved on from this idea and will look for another idea for Kinsmen to sponsor.

6.11. Director of Tournaments Report - Stacey Mackie

- 6.11.1. SOS - Registration at 950, early bird 900 by April 1.
- 6.11.2. Forms and registration is opened. Brooks has 1 team in
- 6.11.3. Slash Lacrosse will be at SOS, and will be represented in some way at TOTT, but they are committed to War on the Shore that weekend.
- 6.11.4. Applications sent for LAX TO THE MAX in Medicine Hat. June 7-9.

7. Conclusion

- 7.1. Next Meeting Date: March 4th 18:30 HRS.

8. Adjournment

- 8.1. Meeting adjourned at 20:45 by Amanda Knock. Seconded by Ryan Philip.