



Innisfail Minor Lacrosse Association

Board Meeting Minutes, Monday, 16 September 2024 18:30 HRS

Fox & Hound - Downstairs

Attendees

Kari Flaws, *President*
Vacant, *Vice-President*
Meghan Themig, *Secretary*
Lindsay Taylor, *Treasurer*
Amber Philip, *Registrar*
Shelby Mackie, *Director of Scheduling*
Ryan Philip, *Director of Discipline*

Steve Mackie, *Director of Equipment*
Nate Justice, *Director of Player/Coach
Development*
Stacie Wadin, *Director of Tournaments*
Patrick Teskey, *Director of Public Relations &
Fundraising*
Stacey Mackie, *guest, newly appointed
Mavericks Representative*

1. Call to Order

1.1. Meeting called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Kari Flaws.

2. Reading & Approval of Previous Minutes

❖ Motion to approve previous minutes by Ryan Philip.

Seconded by Amber Philip. None opposed. **Motion carried.**

3. Business Arising From Previous Minutes

3.1. Vice President interim decision

3.1.1. 3 Applicants submitted their names for consideration: Blake Sutherland, Stacey Mackie, and Greg Nelson. Discussion of candidates prior to vote indicated that the board felt all 3 candidates would be excellent additions to the board.

- 3.1.2. A ballot vote was held. Votes were as follows: Greg Nelson 4, Blake Sutherland 3, Stacey Mackie 1 - Steve Mackie and Shelby Mackie did not vote due to Bylaw 10.6 vi)
- 3.1.3. Greg Nelson appointed as interim Vice President
 - 3.1.3.1. Kari will contact him and let him know.

4. New Business

4.1. Annual General Meeting Membership Concerns

- 4.1.1. Top Concerns at AGM seemed to be: Refereeing at the younger levels, discipline at the older levels, and confusion over volunteer requirements & volunteer bond.
 - 4.1.1.1. Referees: General consensus is a lack of experience for young refs before they are put out on the floor. Discussion occurred regarding the possibility of setting a budget to pay refs to ref scrimmages in practice in order to give them more experience, ideally with a mentor watching so they can be guided. Also discussed the possibility of a Junior Ref/Ref-in-Training program for 12-13 year olds who are not old enough to fully ref so they can get experience ahead of time.
 - 4.1.1.1.1. Kari will bring these ideas/suggestions to the next CALL meeting.
 - 4.1.1.2. Discipline: Proposal to create a subcommittee consisting of Directors of Discipline and Player/Coach development, as well as some additional bodies (Blake Sutherland volunteered to assist with this) in order to create coach resources and assist with new and returning coaches.
 - 4.1.1.3. Volunteer requirements need to be clarified.

4.2. Concession Profits

- 4.2.1. Discussion of concession profits to buy U7-U17 dryland gear and/or pinnies.
- 4.2.2. Steve/Stacey will look at potential vendors/costs and bring quotes to a future meeting.

4.3. Upcoming 2025 Season.

- 4.3.1. Next year is IMLA's 25th Anniversary - looking for ideas on how we can commemorate this milestone season.

4.4. New Logo

- 4.4.1. Proposed new logo was presented for when it is time to replace jerseys.
- 4.4.2. Would like the new logo to go on front of jersey, and keep old Phantoms logo on one sleeve.

4.5. Banners for Sponsors

- 4.5.1. Proposed to get banners made for jersey sponsors to hang behind team bench during games.

- 4.5.2. Sponsor letter needs to be re-done. Potentially offer this as a 3-year deal for sponsors (Currently 2-year deal is name bars). Will review when the sponsor letter is updated.

4.6. New Jerseys for U9, U13, U17

- 4.6.1. We should replace some jerseys this year, as the current jerseys have been used for 3 seasons now, and jerseys should be replaced approximately every 2 years.
- 4.6.2. U13-U17 jerseys need replacing more often due to wear and tear.
- 4.6.3. Casino funds are fairly depleted, so the budget will need to come from the General account. U17 will be 1st priority as there is major damage to these. Others will be considered depending on what budget allows.
- 4.6.4. Steve Mackie will do request quotes for new jerseys

4.7. Penhold Fall Festival Parade

- 4.7.1. Proposal to have freezies for families participating in the 2025 parade, as temperatures were high this 2024 parade.

4.8. Optimist International Meat Draw

- 4.8.1. Approached at Penhold Discovery Night by the Penhold Optimist Club to participate in their meat draw fundraisers. Patrick attended the meeting for this on September 12.
- 4.8.2. Meat Draw will require a minimum of 4 volunteers on site (for 6 days over a year). Approximately 24 hours of volunteer time a year. Pooled profits are split between other volunteer groups. Must purchase meat for the draw, reimbursed from the evening's profits.

- ❖ Motion to partake in the Penhold Optimist Club Meat Draws by Lindsay Taylor.
Seconded by Stacie Wadin. All opposed. **Motion denied.**

5. Board Member Reports

5.1. President Report - Kari Flaws

- 5.1.1. No report. First CALL meeting still unknown.

5.2. Vice-President Report - Vacant

5.3. Secretary Report - Meghan Themig

- 5.3.1. No report.

5.4. Treasurer Report - Lindsay Taylor

- 5.4.1. Casino Account \$2550.24
- 5.4.2. General Account \$121,845.54
- 5.4.3. New signors needing done ASAP
- 5.4.4. 2024 Budget to be completed by October meeting

5.5. Registrar Report - Amber Philip

- 5.5.1. Exploring RAMP website, will watch tutorial videos and work with Stacie to learn it.

5.6. Director of Scheduling Report - Shelby Mackie

- 5.6.1. No report.

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

- 5.7.1. CALL has opened Fall Clinic to prospective coaches.
- 5.7.2. Discussion of Mavericks potentially running development winter camp at the Dome in Red Deer.

5.8. Director of Discipline Report - Ryan Philip

- 5.8.1. No report.

5.9. Director of Equipment Report - Steve Mackie

- 5.9.1. No report.

5.10. Director of Public Relations & Fundraising's Report - Patrick Teskey

- 5.10.1. Three good evenings with registration nights, positive conversations, Penhold and Innisfail busy. Bowden was less busy, possibly due to weather.
- 5.10.2. Looking at other avenues at getting IMLA's name out there, such as Christmas in Markerville.
- 5.10.3. Likely going to make up a powerpoint/slideshow for these events, as well as update the webpage with more current photos.

5.11. Director of Tournaments Report - Stacie Wadin

- 5.11.1. CALL requested our proposed date for SOS be submitted prior to the ALA Planning Meeting this past weekend.
- 5.11.2. Given this time-sensitive request, and that we are asking for additional date(s) beyond SOS, discussion amongst the board occurred via email/chat prior to the board meeting.
- 5.11.3. Tournament coordinator submitted 3 options to the board: Option 1- TOTT becomes U7-U11, SOS becomes U13-U17. Option 2- TOTT remains U7/U9, SOS returns to U11-U17. Option 3- TOTT remains U7/U9, SOS remains U15/U17, and a new tournament is created for U11/U13. It was also discussed whether to keep TOTT as a CALL event as is, or if we would like to expand it to a full 3-day festival/tournament event.
- 5.11.4. Board decision (by vote) was to submit Option 2, followed by Option 3 as our preferences, and to expand TOTT to a full 3-day event. These preferences (with dates) were submitted to CALL prior to the ALA Planning Meeting.
- 5.11.5. Waiting to hear back from CALL on next steps before proceeding any further.

5.12. Concession - Mackies

5.12.1.1. No report.

5.13. Mavericks - Vacant (incoming Stacey Mackie)

5.13.1. Proposal by Kari Flaws that Stacey Mackie becomes the Mavericks representative. Accepted by Stacey Mackie.

6. Conclusion

6.1. Next Meeting Date:

Monday, October 21, 2024 at 6:30 P.M., Innisfail Arena.

7. Adjournment

7.1. Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:41 P.M. by Kari Flaws, seconded by Stacie Wadin.