

**Kelowna Ringette Association
Public Board Meeting Minutes
March 4, 2025**

Pres: Vacant		Divisional Dir-FUN-U12: Leah Tainaka	X
Vice President: Vacant		Divisional Dir-Club-U14-Open: Marlys Kaufhold	A
Registrar: Janet Reiter	X	Divisional Dir-Zone-U14-U19: Jackie Nilsen	X
Treasurer: Tracie Koebel	X	Dir Managers and Jerseys: Tracy Allan Michelle Frennette	X X
Secretary: Riley Pickrell	A	Coordinator-Social Media: Linette Sandor	X
Coordinator- Equipment: Graham French	X	Coordinator-Ice Scheduler: Jenni Duff	X

	Agenda Item		To-do's
1	Call to Order at 7:15pm		
2	<p>Motion to approve to have Jenni as the chair of today's board meeting Linette. Tracie seconded. Unanimous approved.</p> <p>Motion to adopt the agenda by Jenni, seconded by Tracie. Unanimous approved.</p> <p>Motion to approve the minutes from December board meeting by Linette. Seconded by Jenni. Unanimous approved.</p> <p>Motion to approve the minutes from January board meeting by Linette. Seconded by Janet. Unanimous approved.</p>		
	President	Vacant	

	Vice President-	Vacant	
	<p>Treasurer- Tracie Koebel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Still getting sweetheart invoices and need to get those finalized. Do not have the hotel sponsor money yet. -Will need to get the provincial costs and team development costs sent in from the managers so that those can be reimbursed. -Graham put in an order for more rings for next year. -We are in good shape. 		
	<p>Registrar- Janet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Sweetheart volunteer hours for those families that did not complete their hours have now been charged. Many were FUN families so let's reach out to these families next year before hand so that they can be prepared and aware. -Coaches appear to be all up-to-date with their certification and good to go for year end tournaments. 		
	<p>Secretary- Riley</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -not present so minutes taken by Linette 		
	<p>Ice Scheduling- Jenni</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -one more up date for the schedule including move up ice times and another ice time for U14 and U16 club the week they are leaving for provincials -Springette ice time is finalized -U19 Club has their last game this weekend and may not need their ice next week. Tracy Allan to confirm with Jenni 		
	<p>Jerseys/ Managers- Michelle & Tracy Allan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -will look at having a scheduled date and time to have jerseys returned -will want them all returned by April 8th at the latest -Tracie K would like an email sent out to the managers asking them to submit their expense report for player development 		

	<p>Social Media- Linette</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -still regularly getting new followers -Good turn out at our CTR event on Family Day 		
	<p>Equipment- Graham</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -a parent reached out to see if we have any interest in purchasing their son's goalie equipment before they sell it somewhere else. 26 pads and 27 pads, still in good condition, good for U12, possibly U14. She was asking approx. \$100 for one pair and \$200 for the other. Tracie indicated that we do have money in our budget for this and Graham will consider these after he goes through our inventory once everything is returned. -KRA has provided goalie gear to U12 and under. We do have quite a bit in sizes 22 and 24. -when the season ends, all equipment needs to be turned in at the end of the season. Many still had equipment at the beginning of this season as our equipment manager had stepped down before the end of the season. -coach bags, first aid kits, boards and rings should all be in good shape. -things were signed out this season. -would be great to have everything returned at the end of the season during a set time. Graham and Tracy will connect about a date and time and have an email sent out to the teams. 		
	Promotions & Fundraising/ Event Coordinator-	vacant	
	<p>Director U14- Open - Club - Marlys</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -not present 		
	<p>Director Fun-U12 - Leah</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -year end event this weekend In West Kelowna -FUN had their jamboree this past weekend in Salmon Arm -March 15/16 is the U10 year end event in Vernon 		

	<p>Zone Coordinator – Jackie</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -U14 Zone won silver this weekend at provincials, U16 Zone won Gold and will be headed to Westerns -Jenni will reach out to U16 Zone about more ice time leading up to Westerns 		
	<p>New Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Springette: Able to get 7 more ice times than last year which is resulting in more costs for the players but also gives us more groups. U10/U12 first year (2015, 2016, 2017) and U12 second year/U14 (2014, 2013, 2012) -starts the last Monday of March and goes until June 23rd -\$129 per player for registration -spoken with some coaches from last year and many are available to join again -registration opening asap -Janet will look into RAMP for registration -Brooklyn will send budget to Tracie (ice is \$1890, \$280 for Power Skating, \$75 for TeamSnap, \$260 for coaches, \$65 for year end party for a total cost of 2570.85 per group. -info to Janet and Linette -\$30 approx. for a jersey for those new players who do not have a jersey -Open to KRA players only, 20 spots for each group <p>Coach survey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Yearly compilation usage; look at the one we did last year to see if we want to make any changes and get it sent out shortly after provincials. -Coach complaint received. They want to remain anonymous so we cannot address it with the coach directly. We will wait to see if anything more comes from the coach surveys once they are sent out. <p>Janet to motion that we move to in camera. Seconded by Jenni, unanimous to go in camera.</p> <p>Tracie to motion to come out of in camera. Seconded by Linette. Unanimous</p> <p>AGM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Birgitta will look into venues and pricing and options. -Not on the weekend. 		

	<p>-AGM committee needs to be formed. A FUN family has reached out to see how they can help with the AGM as they weren't able to do their Sweetheart hours.</p> <p>-Any ideas on how to bring people forward to be nominated at the AGM for our board. Update job descriptions and get them out.</p> <p>Request for ref exempt from Sweetheart volunteer duties (like last year)</p> <p>-there wasn't an exemption for refs this year (or board members). No recollection of refs being exempt last year.</p> <p>-According to the schedule, it looks like she was only an official for one game during sweetheart but she is saying she did two.</p> <p>-we do struggle for officials and if she would have been an official for a number of games and helped out in that way, we may have been in a position of giving her an exemption but not for one or two games over the tournament</p> <p>-in the future, officials can discuss their availability officiating and not being able to volunteer with the Referee in Chief who can then bring this to the Sweetheart Committee to see if an official can be exempt as they are needed for a number of games as an official</p> <p>Support for KRA athletes going to Westerns and CRC</p> <p>-2 KRA U14 players going to Westerns in BC</p> <p>-We will confirm how many U16 players are going to Westerns from KRA but approx. 9</p> <p>-CRC -U16 one KRA</p> <p>-U19 three KRA players who did pay AP registration</p> <p>Last year we did \$150 for the players going to Westerns, and \$250 for CRC.</p> <p>Tracie put forward a motion to provide \$150 for each KRA player attending Westerns this year. Jenni seconded the motion. One abstains. The rest vote yes.</p> <p>Jenni put forward a motion to provide \$250 for each KRA player attending CRC's in eastern Canada this season. Linette seconded the motion. One abstains. The rest vote yes.</p> <p>Sweetheart debriefs:</p> <p>-many comments received that this was one of the best tournaments they ever attended</p> <p>-two complaints came in. One at the U16 level which has been dealt with. One at the open level which Jenni has discussed with RBC.</p> <p>-refs were happy, everything worked out at the arenas.</p>		
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	<p>-good number of teams</p> <p>-2026 date decided Jan 30-Feb 1</p> <p>-some games did not have enough time in the hour ice time to get through the 20-minute ice time for U16 and older but it often depends on the number of penalties being called.</p> <p>-Silent auction discussion: the team baskets did not make much money considering what the teams spent on them. We have been doing the online auction the past 2-3 years. We have done the basket raffles in the past where you put a ticket in buckets but we were audited and were told this is an illegal way of doing things that goes against our gaming license. We can look at other options next year and if we do make any changes for next year.</p>		
	<p>Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 8th (board meeting and dinner to be confirmed by Tracie)</p>		
	<p>Electronic Motions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Motion To provide Birgitta Postma, KRA Administrator, a \$3/hour increase to her hourly rate bringing it to \$23/hour. This increase to be made retroactive to January 1, 2025 by Tracie. 2nd by Michelle, Unanimous Yes, Passed. 		
	<p>Tracie made a motion to adjourn, Linette seconded. Unanimous</p> <p>Adjournment at 10:27pm</p>		