

LACOMBE RINGETTE ASSOCIATION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Upstairs Meeting Room, Gary Moe Auto Group Sportsplex, Lacombe
Wednesday, January 26, 2026
7:00 p.m.



In Attendance: Shelley Vickery, Lyle Granigan, Terri Gessleman, Sami Rodwell, Raelyn Buksa, Shantel Robb, Gwen Martin, Corrine Sloan, Bev Smith, Jaime Flewelling, Connor Winslow, Chelsea Friesen, Stephanie McCarty

Shelley Vickery Called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. November 26, 2025 General Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Moved by Terri Gessleman that the November 26, 2025 General Meeting Minutes be accepted as presented. Seconded by Shantel Robb **CARRIED**

b. November 26, 2025 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Moved by Terri Gessleman that the November 26, 2026 Executive Meeting Minutes be accepted as presented. Seconded by Shantel Robb **CARRIED**

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Moved by Terri Gessleman that the January 28, 2026 agenda be accepted as presented. Seconded by Shantel Robb **CARRIED**

3. EXECUTIVE REPORTS (voting members)

- a. **PRESIDENT** - Shelley Vickery
 - Reviewed upcoming provincials
- b. **PAST PRESIDENT** – Lyle Granigan
 - Will be passing on an incident report from a game
- c. **VICE PRESIDENT** – Terri Gessleman
 - Looking at Dare to Care program for U10-3 to U14 focusing on player behaviour on ice and off ice
 - Ringette Night at Christmas went well and most feedback was positive
- d. **SECRETARY** – Sami Rodwell
 - Conducted policy research and will be bringing forward some draft amendments
- e. **TREASURER** – Raelyn Buksa

- Tournament funds raised on the weekend were about \$7,000 (these does not reflect net as registrations, ice, referees, etc need to be accounted for)
- f. REGISTRAR – Shantel Robb**
- Would like to start working on registration packages and will require registration costs when they become available

4. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. ICE ALLOCATOR – Gwen Martin**
- If arena key fobs are not working give them to Gwen who will address them with The City of Lacombe
 - Championship Tournament for U12A and U12C March 13-15 just waiting on schedule from BGL. Still have ice in Blackfalds and will release when schedule is finalized
 - U6 Play
 - Session 3 schedules should be out this week
 - Ponoka ice is done February 28
 - Last day for Lacombe ice is March 19
 - Small nets from Clive were collected for the tournament and the City of Lacombe will not allow us to put them in the Lacombe Arena. Currently have 4 small nets at the arena but there are regular practices for multiple young age groups
 - Ponoka large ice is expected to have ringette lines
 - Ice is booking up for August. Need to make decisions regarding ice
 - o Dust of the Rust proposed ice is August 16 and 23
 - o Evaluations are impacted by this years long weekend holiday September 7. Will work on setting up evaluation schedule and giving a lot of notice
- b. REFEREE ALLOCATOR – Sherri O’Muir and Deanna Lawrence**
- We have joined BGL’s RAMP Assigning so all BGL officials are in the same system instead of our officials being separate in Lacombe’s RAMP Assigning system
 - BGL is doing monthly payroll for our league games and then invoicing LRA
 - o There is currently no charge for BGL however if they continue to do this BGL will charge \$4 per game
 - Tournament referees will be assigned through Lacombe RAMP Assigning and officials will need to be paid by LRA directly as they have been in past years. We could do this through BGL but the \$4 per game charge will apply
- c. FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR – Marina Mazure**
- Absent
- d. COACHING DIRECTOR – Connor Winslow**
- Working on getting all coaching certification finished as there were difficulties with courses being full
- e. GOALIE COACHING DIRECTOR – Deb Martin provided electronically**
- Stable in the Net has been out for a couple sessions. About 50% of goalies are in attendance
 - Looking to do an on ice session February 1 in Red Deer

- f. **EQUIPMENT DIRECTOR** - Brett Miller
 - Absent
- g. **MARKETING DIRECTOR** – Chelsea Friesen
 - Ringette Night at Christmas went well
- h. **WEBMASTER** – Jaime Broad
 - Please send in anything that you would like to have highlighted
 - Trying to pay attention to how sponsors are highlighted to ensure there is no unintended inequitable sponsor promotion
- i. **TOURNAMENT CHAIRPERSON U6-U12** – Bev Smith
 - Thank you to the official and unofficial tournament volunteers
 - There are ringette plushies left over
 - There were no participation medals for U6, U10-1 and U10-2 bottom teams. Medals were gathered from inventory that will need to be replaced
 - Recommendations for future tournaments
 - o Ice Allocator to do scheduling
 - o Registrar to support registrations and receive payments
 - o Should look to enhance consistency between the two tournaments (e.g. sanctioning, scheduling, team acceptance, payments, tournament rules, etc)
 - o Ice Allocator, Registrar and Team Manager make final decision on tournament acceptance
 - o Look at the structure to have a more formal Committee
 - o Should look at third party vendors as they are currently not required to pay any type of rental fee
 - o Need to watch ice allocation to ensure consistency for games and increased ice time for medal games
 - o Need to make a decision if ice will be offered for CABO. If so we would need to look at their tournament costs to ensure that enough fees were raised to cover the costs of their expenses (ice, referees, prizes, etc) and establishing tournament requirements
 - o If there is a tournament final for U10-2 then we need to determine if the player 3 goal rule needs to be applied

MOTION: Moved by Terri Gessleman that tournament medal inventory be replaced and paid for by the tournament budget. Seconded by Shantel Robb **CARRIED**

- j. **TOURNAMENT CHAIRPERSON U14-U19** – Brett Miller
 - Absent
- k. **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR** – Deanna Zunti
 - Absent
- l. **ZONE 5 DIRECTORS (BGL)** – Shantel Robb and Corrine Sloane
 - Have dealt with two complaints which have been resolved

- Heading in to Session 3 they shared a general concern regarding behaviour towards referees
 - Reminders that goalies need to be on game sheets. Efforts do need to be made to record shots
- m. U6/U10 DIVISION DIRECTOR** – Stephanie McCarty
- Managing some issues which will continue to be monitored
- n. U12/U14 DIVISION DIRECTOR** – Corrine Sloan
- Nothing to report
- o. U16/U19 DIVISION DIRECTOR** – Shantel Robb
- Nothing to report
- p. APPAREL REPRESENTATIVE** – Sherri Kimmel
- Absent
- q. EVALUATIONS COORDINATORS** - Linda Forrester and Martine Varekamp
- Absent
- r. PICTURE COORDINATOR** – Zoe Skene
- Absent
- s. SPONSORSHIP** – Linda Forrester and Jen Wintz
- Absent

5. UNFINISHED / NEW BUSINESS

- a. Annual General Meeting and Banquet**
- Date will be dependent on LMC availability. Will look at the second week of April
 - Executive Budget Meeting will work to be organized April 1
- b. U12 BGL Championships March 13-15, 2026 Hosted in Lacombe**
- Teams are working on plans
 - Ice Allocator is working to get the schedule

6. ADJOURNMENT

Shelley Vickery adjourned the meeting at 8:54 p.m.

Upcoming Meetings

- February 25, 2026 7:00 p.m.
- March 18, 2026 7:00 p.m.