

LACOMBE RINGETTE ASSOCIATION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Upper Lobby, Lacombe Arena
WEDNESDAY, December 13, 2023



ATTENDANCE:

In Attendance: Sherri O'Muir, Shelley Vickery, Nicole Plewis, Cheryl Talma, Megan Bateman, Carmen Wilson, Chelsea Friesen, Shelley Leslie

Lyle Granigan called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

MOTION: Shelley Leslie moves that the meeting minutes from the November 2023 Executive Meeting be approved as presented. Cheryl Talma seconded that motion. All in favour. **Motion carried.**

2. NEW BUSINESS/ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: Sherri O'Muir moves to accept the agenda for the December 13, 2023 Meeting as presented. Cheryl Talma seconded that motion. All in favour. **Motion carried.**

4. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

4.1. **PRESIDENT** – Lyle Granigan

- Heard from a coaching parent that they would like more goalie clinics.

UPDATE: Shelley has been looking into it, but there have been many roadblocks/game slots to setting up a goalie clinic with Keeley Brown. Red Deer is not interested in the clinic or sharing the costs. This now could look more like a “train the coach” lesson (or looking at a different instructor).

4.2. **VICE-PRESIDENT** – Shelley Vickery

- U16B is hosting Provincials.
- Survey planned for U14/U16/U19 to ask if they plan to play ringette with Lacombe Ringette Association next year.
 - o Would like to ask if they plan to try out for a high-performance ringette team.
 - o Having these conversations early will help us plan the 2024-25 season better
 - o Could also communicate an earlier registration deadline. If you register after XX date, you will not be guaranteed a spot.

4.3. **SECRETARY** – Nicole Plewis

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- Ice Costs Committee has sent their letter to the Blackfalds Recreation, Culture & Parks Board, requesting for LRA to receive the local rate in their facility. This letter was to be discussed at their January meeting, but we haven't heard from them since.
 - Will follow up with them if they haven't reached out in the coming days.

4.4. REGISTRAR – Gwen Martin

- Not present, but reported all affiliates are done.

4.5. TREASURER – Carmen Wilson

- Current bank balances:
 - \$66,000 Chequing
 - \$18,000 Casino
 - Raffle money is in the account. Raised \$1904.50 for LRA.

4.6. ICE ALLOCATOR – Amanda Hatto

- NO UPDATE

4.7. REFEREE ALLOCATOR – Sherri O'Muir

- Refs were all paid for Session 1, and Session 2 has started.
 - Game fees = \$3535.50
 - Tournament Game fees = \$2501.50
 - Clinics & Registration = \$1551.00
 - TOTAL = \$7652.50
- Coaches have all been emailed regarding behaviour on the bench, with the hopes of stemming incidents in Session 2.
- First Stripes program is ready and new refs are ready to be trained. This would allow them to officiate the U10-1/U10-2 kids (once certified).
- Flex rooms have been overbooked between user groups.

4.8. CASINO/FUNDRAISER/SPONSORSHIP – Megan Bateman

- Tournament 50/50 is closed.
 - All tickets have been returned for the 50/50
 - Was an issue with one family who paid the Association Fundraising rate, but did not sell a single ticket.

ACTION: Megan drafted a letter to the family, outlining the expectations regarding association fundraising. They will be given the chance to sell their tickets OR pay \$200 to meet their fundraising obligation, or find another solution to meet their expectations.

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5. DIRECTOR REPORTS

5.1. ZONE 5 DIRECTORS – Lori Unger/Cheryl Talma

- BGL Update - repooling went smoothing.
 - U12B dropped to U12C
 - U14B dropped to U14C
- Electronic Game Sheets - compliance on verification for the following:
 - Goalies must be entered
 - spectator liaison info needs to be entered into the officials tab (NOT the team tab)
 - visiting team is responsible for verifying their information
- All Lacombe Ringette teams have committed to attending provincials
 - lots of divisions are still looking for hosts.
- One player has been ID'd for approaching the penalty minute threshold.
 - 4 minutes/game for 4 consecutive games = a game suspension

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.1. APPAREL REP - Megan Bateman

- Picking up apparel tomorrow. This will be the last batch.
- Looking into options for Provincial Hoodies

6.2. TOURNAMENT REP – Brett Miller/Lori Unger/Jeremy Olthof

- No one here.

6.3. PHOTO REP - Nikki Plewis

- All photos will be ready to be distributed to reps for Ringette Night (Dec. 19).

6.4. MARKETING REP

- Ringette Night is on December 19.
- Lots of coaches have expressed interested in attending the players vs. coaches game (to Shelley Leslie)
- Pizza has been ordered for players.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1. Ringette Gives Back initiative

- Looking at options of holding a food drive during the WAM game in January. Possibly enter a door prize for anyone who donates food.

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- During the Banquet, will also do a second initiative to support a local charity (Broomtree, Youth Unlimited, etc.)

ACTION: Nikki will see if WAM would be willing to donate a prize for the food drive, and will set up criteria/communication for both events.

8. ADJOURNMENT

8.1. Shelley Vickery adjourned the meeting at 8:49 p.m.