

LACOMBE RINGETTE ASSOCIATION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Upper Lobby, Lacombe Arena
WEDNESDAY, December 14, 2022



ATTENDANCE:

Voting Members: Lyle Granigan (Chair), Sherri O'Muir, Lori Winslow, Carmen Wilson, Amanda Hatto, Nicole Plewis, Tarina Hampton, Shelley Vickery*

(*After being appointed Vice President)

Non-voting Members: Shelley Leslie, Megan Miller, Nancy Morin, Amy Rintoul, Martine Varekamp, Megan Bateman, Mark Rost

Lyle Granigan called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Lori Winslow moves that the minutes of the meeting held on November 16, 2022, be approved as presented. Nicole Plewis seconded the motion. All in favour. **Motion carried.**

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES / NEW BUSINESS

2.1 - Recruitment of New Board Members. Following the email out to the LRA membership, Shelley Vickery put her name forward as Vice President.

MOTION: Sherri O'Muir moves to appoint Lyle Granigan as President of the Lacombe Ringette Association by acclamation. Carmen Wilson seconds the motion. All in favour. **Motion carried.**

MOTION: Amanda Hatto moves to appoint Shelley Vickery as Vice President of the Lacombe Ringette Association by acclamation. Nicole Plewis seconds the motion. All in favour. **Motion carried.**

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Shelley Leslie moves that the agenda be accepted as amended (moving items listed on the agenda under section 2 to section 7). Lori Winslow seconds. All in favour. **Motion carried.**

4. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

4.1 REGISTRAR – Tarina Hampton

- One new player has registered in U19, and will be joining the team in January, following an injury.
- Lori asked if we could give her a first-time ringette player rate (half off the normal registration fee), seeing that she won't be starting to play until January.

MOTION (by email): Lori Winslow made the motion for Lacombe Ringette to allow this U19 player to register at the first-time player rate, reflecting the cost for the half season she will be playing. Amanda Hatto seconds. All in favour. **Motion carried.**

ACTION: Tarina Hampton will set up a registration for the player to register as a first-time U19 player.

4.2 TREASURER – Carmen Wilson

- We have over \$83,661 in our bank account (\$54,912 chequing, \$28,718 casino) and \$33,423 in our GIC, for a total of \$117,084.
- Carmen has taken care of the outstanding insurance brought up at last month's meeting.

4.3 ICE ALLOCATOR – Amanda Hatto

- It has gotten quieter for movements lately. Some teams have brought forward games that might need to be rescheduled due to wait lists for tournaments. Amanda is happy to accommodate the requests.
- Ringette Night is set for Tuesday, December 20, with some new things on the go. U16s will be working with the U6 and U10 teams. U19s will play the coaches. U12s and U14s will have a cheer-off. Sherri asked if the names of the coaches could be announced before the game and also have an official score sheet for them.

4.4 REFEREE ALLOCATOR – Sherri O'Muir

- More adult referees are needed.

4.5 CASINO / FUNDRAISING – Lori Winslow and Megan Bateman

- Only \$2,600 was raised from our online 50/50 raffle during the tournament (\$3,400 minus fees).
- We will run another in the new year, but set it up, so each player is selected by ticket buyers, like last year. If we can't get our 50/50 raffle to make more money, we will have to find other ways of generating money (like selling chocolates or physical 50/50 tickets)

***ACTION:** Lori and Megan will come back in January with ideas on how to generate more money via fundraising.*

- 4.5.1 Sponsorship** – Bev Smith reported that the sponsor certificates have been printed and will be handed out this week. So far, \$10,550 has been raised in donations from within the community.

5. DIRECTOR REPORTS

5.1 COACHING DIRECTOR – Shelley Leslie

- Coach Certification - Shelley is working with Ringette Alberta to ensure all the coaches have the proper certification, as there are some differences between what was submitted and what RAB has in their files.

5.2 ZONE 4 DIRECTORS – Louise Rellis / Amanda Hatto

- Very quiet, as Red Deer has limited games at the U10 level and there are no U6 games scheduled, due to the lack of ice space in Red Deer.

***ACTION:** Amanda is looking into scheduling a U6 game in Lacombe in the New Year, for the Red Deer and Lacombe U6 teams to play each other.*

5.3 ZONE 5 DIRECTORS – Megan Miller / Nancy Morin

- How U14/U16/U19 teams rank in Session 3 gameplay will determine if they make provincials.
- All Lacombe teams have declared for provincials. The fees are less than in past years - \$175 for U14 and \$250 for U16/U19.
- For U10-3s and U12s there is no session 3, but they go straight into BGL Windups. These teams have until Dec. 31 to declare their interest. A decision needs to be made as to what the LRA will contribute towards the \$850 fee for this year's U12 championship.

MOTION: Sherri O'Muir moves that Lacombe Ringette contribute up to 50% of the fee for the U12 Championship, similar to what we pay for the older teams to attend provincials. Tarina Hamption seconds. All approve. **Motion carried.**

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.1 APPAREL – Lori Winslow and Megan Bateman

- Overall, everything went smoothly this year.

6.2 PICTURE REP – Nancy Morin

- All pictures should be in any day. They are coming from Edmonton.

6.3 MARKETING – Chelsea Friesen

- Carmen is going to look at the budget to see if there is a separate line item for Ringette Night, as the budget for Marketing is slightly over (due to this event)

***ACTION:** Carmen to contact Chelsea to inform her of the budget allocation.*

7. UNFINISHED / NEW BUSINESS

7.1. Medical Forms

- Shelley Leslie created a form to be filled out by players and kept with managers/first aid kits. The forms would contain emergency contacts, allergic reactions, health conditions, and other information to be accessed if there is an emergency (injury, medical, dental, etc.) and the player's parents aren't around. These will also include affiliate players, as well.

MOTION: Shelley Leslie moves that each team be required to have medical forms filled out, and copies to be kept by the manager and in the first aid kit. Sherri O'Muir seconds. All in favour. **Motion carried.**

***ACTION:** Shelley Leslie will put together the information and requirements to be communicated to teams at a future date.*

7.2 U10-2 Ice Allocation/Development Concerns

- U10-2 parent Martine Varekamp asked if extra ice time could be sourced, allowing a group of older U10-2 players to have some extra development sessions/practices to help ensure they are prepared when they move to U12 next year.
- This is a large group (4 U10 teams this year) and finding ice has been difficult. There are 9 players playing on U10-2 that will move up to U12 next year. They are playing half-ice and don't have the same experience as the girls on the U10-3 team who are moving up.

- Bev Smith and Ami Rintoul have indicated they would be willing to work with this group of girls to help them develop for next year.
- Amanda says there are a few options that can be considered, including adding the U10-2s into the Wednesday morning rotation, offering Sunday time slots (even though this could mean a game and a practice on the same day), and combining U10-3/U10-2s once a month for a shared ice practice.
- Lori will also look into development camps for those girls in the New Year.

***ACTION:** Amanda will talk with all coaches involved with these options, to see what will work for these girls to help them be better prepared for U12.*

7.3 LRA Community Involvement

- Bev Smith asked if we could come up with an association-wide community involvement initiative, providing the girls with the opportunity to give back to our very supportive community.
- Her idea was to collect items for the Mustard Seed, but the board thought it would be too hard to communicate to the association, with Christmas coming and the specific mustard seed initiative already underway.
- The board agreed that we should do more for our community. We will do a food drive during Ringette Night on Dec. 20, 2022, and then we will organize a larger initiative in 2023, possibly as a contest between teams.

***ACTION:** Lyle will send a message to the association on the weekend, advising them of the food donation request.*

8. ADJOURNMENT

8.1. Lyle Granigan adjourned the meeting at 8:11 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: January 18, 2022, 7:00PM, Lacombe Arena

LYLE GRANIGAN, PRESIDENT

EXECUTIVE MEMBER
(please indicate position and print name)