

# LACOMBE RINGETTE ASSOCIATION

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Upper Lobby, Lacombe Arena  
WEDNESDAY, February 15, 2023



### ATTENDANCE:

**Voting Members:** Lyle Granigan (Chair), Shelley Vickery, Sherri O'Muir, Carmen Wilson, Nicole Plewis, Megan Bateman

**Non-voting Members:** Shelley Leslie, Louise Rellis, Kim Rost

**Lyle Granigan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.**

### 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**MOTION:** Shelley Leslie moves that the meeting minutes from January 18, 2023, be approved as presented. Sherri O'Muir seconded the motion. All in favour. **Motion carried.**

### 2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES / NEW BUSINESS

### 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**MOTION:** Shelley Vickery moves that the agenda be accepted as presented. Carmen Wilson seconded the motion. All in favour. **Motion carried.**

### 4. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

#### **4.1 PRESIDENT – Lyle Granigan**

- We are in the process of getting our bylaws from the Registries following a request from Ringette Alberta. This could take a couple of weeks.
- Received a question from the U6 team regarding the online 50/50, and if they need to sell tickets. *Megan Bateman advised that this fundraiser is for all Lacombe Ringette families to participate in.*

#### **4.2 VICE PRESIDENT – Shelley Vickery**

- Banquet/AGM is set for April 27, 2023 at the Lacombe Memorial Centre.
  - Lacombe Ringette will cover the cost of the hall rental and DJ.
  - All individuals will pay for dinner. This will allow for better food to be purchased and more accurately gauge how many attendees are coming.
  - Banquet reps are being set up by teams.
- Want to look at how Player of the Year is selected, so there is a clearer selection process.

**ACTION 1:** *Shelley Vickery will communicate the AGM information to teams by the end of February.*

**ACTION 2:** *Nikki Plewis will look into at criteria for selecting a Player of the Year and if other associations select their players with a more formal process.*

#### **4.3 REGISTRAR – Tarina Hampton**

- No report.

**4.4 TREASURER – Carmen Wilson**

- We have over \$52,016 in our bank account (\$35,852 in our chequing account, \$16,165 in the casino account) and \$33,423 in our GIC, for a total of \$85,439.
- GICs renewals – we have several that will need renewing in the coming months. This will be to our advantage because of higher interest rates. Carmen is continuing to work through this process.

**4.5 ICE ALLOCATOR – Amanda Hatto**

- We are co-hosting the U12B Championships with Red Deer and the managers from both teams are taking on the planning.
  - BGL sent a note to ice schedulers telling us if someone didn't step up, that division would be cancelled.
  - Ice was bartered from hockey to make it work.
  - Planning is running smoothly.
  - Sherri has the schedule and will coordinate with Red Deer for officials.
- Levels ups will be the next thing that she's working on. Info will be sent out once it's all set.

**4.6 REFEREE ALLOCATOR – Sherri O'Muir**

- Noticed that changes to Session 3 (vs, traditional play down format) means that the associations now pay for these games, vs. Ringette Alberta.

**4.7 CASINO / FUNDRAISING – Megan Bateman**

- Jerseys were all delivered to the sponsors, with their "thank you" pictures
- The online 50/50 was set up and is over \$7,000.

**4.8 PAST PRESIDENT – Sherri O'Muir**

- No update.

**5. DIRECTOR REPORTS**

**5.1 COACHING DIRECTOR – Shelley Leslie**

- Coach Certification – Shelley is now trained to teach the CSI course and evaluation. Her training included evaluation and teaching courses.
- She has reached out to the U12 coaches to offer them to watch/participate in practices as a way to help them prepare for next year.

**5.2 ZONE 4 DIRECTORS – Louise Rellis / Amanda Hatto**

- No Report

5.3 **ZONE 5 DIRECTORS** – Megan Miller / Nancy Morin

- Please remember to make sure that each team has a spectator liaison, and they are noted on the game sheet!
  - There have been a few instances with teams (did not mention if they were LAC) where parents have been excessively loud and yelling at refs from the stands.
  - Code of conduct applies to EVERYONE! We are a minor sporting club and nothing else matters!\*
- **If at any point you see that there is a skater with high penalty min and they should be suspended.**
  - Players can have up to 30 minutes PER SESSION before they earn a suspension. This resets to zero at the **beginning of each session**.
  - BGL will track, but also a good idea to notify them through our BGL reps (Nancy and Megan Miller) if we have someone hitting the limit.
  - You are then asked to sit the player out and document it on the game sheet.
- **Starting session 3 we will be using electronic game sheets.**
  - Have a paper game sheet so that you can compare and make sure everything is documented.
  - Make sure that the refs' names as well and the spectator liaison's name are on the electronic game sheet.
  - There is no place to put in time outs or suspensions. BGL is looking into it.

6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

6.1 **U6/U10 Director** – Sherri O'Muir

- Several U10-2 coaches are preparing older U10 kids for U12 by doing several full ice practices.
  - Sherri has spoken with them about this and is trying to encourage them to follow the process that Ringette Alberta has in place (recommended half-ice only)
  - Need to ensure that full ice game slots are for 1/2 ice games ONLY (allowing the 2 U10-2 teams to play together).
  - She says that these teams have been doing Full-Ice 3-on-3 games, which is not permitted.

***ACTION:** Sherri will contact these U10-2 to remind them that no full ice games are to be arranged*

***ACTION:** Next season, Shelley Leslie (Coaching Director) will meet with the upcoming U10-2 coaches regarding the proper process for U10-2 games.*

## 7. UNFINISHED / NEW BUSINESS

### 7.1. 2023-2024 Season Tournaments (from Kim Rost)

- The question has been asked if we should split our single tournament to run over two separate weekends.
  - This is because of several significant factors, **including ice availability, ref availability, and the sheer volume of teams** (we had 39 teams and close to 500 players at our 2022 tournament)
  - The new U10 format also makes it really complicated to run a full tournament, because it is so different than the older levels.
- This tournament used to be split up in the past. Kim had two suggestions:
  - **Tournament 1 (November):** Potentially run a U10 tournament with the U19. The U19s could take the later ice slots, and this would ensure that the U10 teams more likely had their Junior Coaches around for the home tournament.
  - **Tournament 2 (January or February):** Run the U12/U14/U16s later in the year. There are several tournaments that run this same weekend, and we have had a hard time filling these slots over the past 2-3 tournaments.
- We need to find out if we can secure the ice for this before the AGM, so that we can ask for the right number of Tournament Reps to coordinate these.

***ACTION:** Amanda Hatto to find out as soon as possible (**before the March meeting**) if we can get a second weekend of ice in Lacombe and Blackfalds to run a second tournament in January/February.*

### 7.2. Registration Fees for 2023-24 (from Shelley Vickery)

- This conversation will move to the March 18 meeting.
- Will discuss adding in different options for potential increase (like if we can offer a larger discount at the AGM or different fundraising options/commitments to reduce this amount).

***ACTION:** Shelley will look at fees for ice, as well as breakdown for ice costs based on use/level to discuss at the March 18, 2023 meeting.*

### 7.3. Food Bank Drive/Competition (from Louise Rellis)

- Louise has a certificate for a team to use at the pool (includes a WIBIT rental).

***ACTION:** Louise will prepare an email for the LRA President to send out to the association, including a list of the items needed and how this competition will work.*

## 8. ADJOURNMENT

### 8.1. Lyle Granigan adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

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February 15, 2023**

NEXT MEETING: March 15, 2023, 7:00PM, Lacombe Arena

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**LYLE GRANIGAN, PRESIDENT**

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**EXECUTIVE MEMBER**  
(please indicate position and print name)