

LACOMBE RINGETTE ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Upper Lobby, Lacombe Arena
WEDNESDAY, January 18, 2023



ATTENDANCE:

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

Non-voting Members: Megan Bateman, Louise Rellis

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

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Lori Winslow moves that the meeting minutes from December 14, 2022, be approved as presented. Nicole Plewis 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. Sherri O'Muir seconds. All in favour. **Motion carried.**

4. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

4.1 PRESIDENT – Lyle Granigan

- Are we able to use the bumper pads (belonging to Lacombe Minor Hockey)? Lacombe Ringette and LMH have an informal agreement to share mini nets and half-ice boards.
 - Shelley Vickery suggested we sit down with LMH to develop a more formal agreement. This would ensure that both associations understand their contribution when maintenance of these items comes up.
 - This idea will be discussed at a future Ringette meeting

4.2 VICE PRESIDENT – Shelley Vickery

- Banquet/AGM Date will be April 20 or April 27.
- All individuals will pay for dinner. This will allow for better food to be purchased and more accurately gauge how many attendees are coming. Shelley will communicate this to teams before the end of February.

4.3 REGISTRAR – Tarina Hampton

- Asked the Treasurer about KidSport and how much funds they provided per family.
 - A few families accessed the funding assistance and wanted to determine if there were any outstanding fees or if any refunds were in order for these individuals.
 - If too much was paid, Tarina will arrange for a refund.
 - If more is needed, Tarina will advise them to apply to the board and ask for that outstanding amount to be forgiven.

4.4 **TREASURER** – Carmen Wilson

- We have over \$59,843 in our bank account (\$43,678 in our chequing account, \$16,165 in the casino account) and \$33,423 in our GIC, for a total of \$93,266.
- GICs – we have several that will need renewing the coming months. This will be to our advantage, because of higher interest rates.

4.5 **ICE ALLOCATOR** – Amanda Hatto

- Follow up to the U10/U12 ice times concerns. Amanda has offered the concerned individuals several 7 a.m. ice times and organized some power skating sessions. In addition, Amanda aim for 3 or 4 “Level Up” practices for these girls, if ice permits.
- Turned in free ice to Ringette Alberta. Schedules could change due to extra ice availability.
- Session 3 will be tight. Some weekends will include double games, depending on the number of teams in that pool.

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

- Session 3 will include electronic game sheets.

4.7 **CASINO / FUNDRAISING** – Lori Winslow and Megan Bateman

- As reported last month, we only raised \$2,600 with our online 50/50 raffle during the tournament.
 - We need to raise an additional \$3600 to reach our fundraising goal for the 2022-2023 season.
- To make up for this shortfall, Lori and Megan looked into several options: a) run another 50/50 (with each player required to sell at least \$150); b) sell Little Caesars Pizza kits; or c) sell boxes of chocolates (each box sells \$90 in chocolates, with the association bringing home \$47).
 - Louise suggested that teams help close that gap by doing their own fundraiser for the association. **We will add this idea to the AGM Agenda.**

***ACTION:** Shelley Vickery will send out a survey to the association to gauge which fundraiser they would prefer to participate in.*

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

- Come Try Ringette - Ringette Alberta has set up a website for Come Try Ringette. They want Come Try Ringette sessions in April and August.

***ACTION:** Sherri will pass this information on to Chelsea (Marketing Coordinator), so she is aware of the process.*

5. DIRECTOR REPORTS

5.1 COACHING DIRECTOR – Shelley Leslie

- Coach Certification – Shelley is now trained to teach the CSI course and evaluation.
- She is planning to have a coach's meeting for the U10s to be mentored by some of the U12-19 coaches.

5.2 ZONE 4 DIRECTORS – Louise Rellis / Amanda Hatto

- Red Deer is not interested in playing any full ice games at the end of the season to prepare their U10s who will be advancing to U12 next season

5.3 ZONE 5 DIRECTORS – Megan Miller / Nancy Morin

- U12 and U10-3 teams have been declared for championship/windup in March.
- Teams need to ensure they are entering scoresheets promptly. BGL has been lenient with this, and they don't want to have to start handing out fines this late in the season
- Session 3, U12 championships and U10-3 windups will see the implementation of a digital scoresheet.

All minor officials (box workers) should review the video tutorial from the email that Coaching Director was planning to send to coaches. **Please ask coaches to send the message to their managers.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.1 U6/U10 Director – Sherri O'Muir

- Sherri suggested that the directors should set up meetings at the beginning of the season with parents/managers to communicate the process for practices, ice allocations, games, etc.
- If we can manage expectations early in the season, it could reduce the concerns coming in after the season starts.
- There could be a similar meeting for U14/U16 families, too.

6. UNFINISHED / NEW BUSINESS

6.1. LRA Community Involvement

- Nikki and Madeline (U14A) dropped off the food and money donations to the Lacombe Food Bank after the Ringette Night event. They appreciated us thinking of them.
- We will be collecting food bank and cash donations, as well as items for the thrift store they operate, during the Banquet/AGM in April.
- Next season, the board will come up with some ideas or a challenge for teams, so that they can experience giving back to the community.

***ACTION:** Shelley will add in the messaging of food bank donations as part of her invitation to teams for the Banquet/AGM in April.*

6.2. Sponsor Jersey Timing

- Lori brought frames to sign by teams (players and coaches) to be delivered with thank you cards.
- The cards will be delivered by some U19 players later this month, along with the sponsor jerseys.
- Lesson learned: We lost money on jerseys this year, as the amount we asked Jersey Sponsors for ended up being less than the costs of the new jerseys. Next time, we will try to wait until after the jerseys have been ordered to provide sponsors with an amount so we don't lose money.

7. ADJOURNMENT

7.1. Lyle Granigan adjourned the meeting at 8:39 p.m.

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

LYLE GRANIGAN, PRESIDENT

EXECUTIVE MEMBER
(please indicate position and print name)