



LEDUC CRUSH BOARD MEETING MINUTES
October 23, 2023

The October meeting of the Board of Directors for Leduc Lacrosse Club was held via Zoom. Danielle called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. and noted quorum was present for business.

In Attendance: Danielle Lewis, Tana Lewis, Kailey Forrest, Arden Turner, Cliff Bilawchuk, Jordan Kerr, Clayton Reimer, Des McAmmond

Absent: Theresa Theberge, Sherri Toohey, Miranda Wells, Adele Reimer

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- a) MOTION: Arden moves to approve revised agenda to include items from VP email. Cliff seconds. CARRIED

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- b) MOTION: Arden moves approve the September 26, 2023 board meeting minutes. Cliff seconds. CARRIED

3. DIRECTORS REPORTS

- a) President / Vice President
 - i. Items of discussion from GELC Planning meeting (see attachment 1)
- b) Scheduling / Arena
 - i. Alexandra Arena is booked Monday to Friday from April 1 (or whenever ice is removed) to mid-July. Co-op field house is an option until the ice is removed
- c) Girls Committee
 - i. St Albert Miners to come to drop ins and assist with floor times
- d) Apparel
 - i. Store front in progress with Xtreme Threads
- e) Equipment
 - i. Shorts are ordered – 200 pairs in varying sizes
 - ii. Jerseys sitting at 230 total, final confirmation to come
 - iii. Balls still to be ordered – \$720 quote
 - iv. Quote to come for nets, purchase to be confirmed in January – Add to old business for next agenda
 - v. Shelving to be built in lock up



4. OLD BUSINESS

- a) Vivid invoice – sent for payment
- b) Jerseys & Shorts – see equipment report
- c) Emails – most are up and running
- d) Bylaws – still to be reviewed
- e) Paul Rai will coach 17A – Paul agreed to coach. Cost recoupment to be confirmed once 2024 season fees are established.
- f) School Program – confirmed with Tom and some schools have reached out to us. Equipment to be located.

5. NEW BUSINESS

- a) School Program – see old business.
- b) Winter Program – Sundays confirmed for floor time
- c) Fundraising – Options include meat raffle, liquor basket, etc.
 - i. Discussion of liquor basket tickets to be sold by volunteers for credits. More options to be submitted next meeting
 - ii. Flight over Edmonton was offered at the AGM, possibly to be used at the tournament or raffled as a fundraiser.
- d) Registration – Expected to open Dec 1st
 - i. Waiting until after ALA/GELC AGMs are complete in November to confirm fee increase
 - ii. Registration to include “intent to play” option/fee for A players
 - iii. Goalie retention incentive – option to include 50% registration fee for full time goalies but will include cleaning deposit TBD. Will be decided once 2024 fees are known.

6. NEXT MEETING

The next board of Directors meeting will be held on November 20 @ 6:30 PM (tentative)

7. ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business to discuss it was moved by Kailey that the meeting be adjourned at 8:12 PM

Danielle Lewis - Chairman

Kailey Forrest - Recording Secretary

ATTACHMENT 1



Leduc Crush <president.leduccrush@gmail.com>

Zoom Meeting Agenda - October 23, 2023

1 message

Leduc Crush <vicepresident.leduccrush@gmail.com>
To: Leduc Crush <president.leduccrush@gmail.com>

Sun, Oct 22, 2023 at 2:56 PM

Good evening Danielle,

[REDACTED]

Nonetheless, please see below for the topics I feel is necessary to inform the rest of the Board about including changes and potential changes from the GELC.

As we talked about earlier, I don't feel it's necessary to waste everyone's time on Monday with absolutely everything that was discussed at the GELC Planning meeting last weekend. Just the relevant items for the time being until the ALA and GELC AGM is complete.

Topics to approach the Crush Board:

1. 2024 GELC Finance/Budget:

- Financials for GELC will not be approved until the GELC Board Meeting on November 16, 2023
- GELC Team registration fees are expected to increase from last year and will result in an increase in registration fees for individual players/families for the 2024 lacrosse season.
- Exact financial numbers for the increase in registration fees will be decided after the GELC Board Meeting on November 16, 2023

2. 2024 Team Formation:

- Individual Clubs (LGB) are to bring in 3rd Party Evaluators for "A" Level tryouts.
- Fees associated with hiring 3rd Party Evaluators are to be decided by each individual LGB.
- I'm (Coaching/Evaluation Director) proposing a \$75 tryout fee based on numbers.
- GELC is considering doing a "Centralized Evaluation" for all clubs at the "A" Level.
- For the registration forms at all levels that have an "A" division, we will need to provide an option for the players if they intend to try out and/or play "A" level lacrosse.
- "A" Level tryouts at all levels are to be completed by March 4, 2024 therefore, registration for the 2024 season might have to open sooner based on availability of floor time in February.
- Starting in the 2024 lacrosse season, GELC is moving to a tiering system for the U11 Level. This change will involve all GELC U11 Teams to re-tier for the playoffs after the 10 game regular season is complete.
- GELC is pushing hard for parody at the U13 level. How does the Board feel about Parody at the U13 level? GELC is putting together a committee to perform a study on "parody" at the U13 age group.

3. 2024 Women's Lacrosse Season:

- GELC wants to introduce a "centralized registration" for women's lacrosse due to a lack of registration numbers.
- GELC is seeking individuals to step up with proposals to rectify enrollment decline and potentially form a committee to come up with solutions.

4. 2024 Tournaments:

- We have put in a preliminary request to have our "Crusher" Tournament for the weekend after the 2024 May Long weekend at the U7 and U9 levels.
- We need to put in our official request ASAP as we have held our place and reserved our spot for now.

5. Discipline and Etiquette:

- GELC is mandating the "Respect For Sport" course for all registrants and coaches for the 2024 season (1 person required to take course per registrant).

- Fees for the "Respect For Sport" course will be built into the registration fees.
- Due to a high number of coaching staff throughout the GELC that served suspensions in 2023, the GELC is looking at changing the rules to make the discipline more strict and educational. Some of these potential changes include taking the "refereeing course" and shadowing a referee for a game after being served with a second suspension. This will be further discussed at the GELC AGM in November.

6. Referee's:

- GELC is requesting the LGB's discuss the potential of opening up a new volunteer board position at the Club level for Referee recruiting and retention.
- GELC is also considering making it mandatory for each Club to be able to provide a certain number of referees based on registration numbers so recruiting and retention will be important if they move forward in this direction.

7. Miscellaneous:

- Grande Prairie will no longer be part of the GELC for the 2024 regular season and will be classified as a "Tournament" only team.
- GELC has requested that if Grande Prairie wants to have exhibition games, they will have to reach out and contact individual LGB's to do so and that any exhibition games agreed upon will NOT interfere with the GELC regular season.
- Westlock is still part of the GELC for the 2024 season. However, league games at the U7, U9, U11 and U13 level versus Westlock will be moved to weekends and the league games for the U15 and U17 levels will be played during weekdays.
- At the beginning of the 2024 season, all LGB's are required to host their own Coaches and Managers Meetings as the GELC will not be implementing these meetings.
- GELC will be giving out "Managers Handbooks" at a later date for LGB's to hand out at the beginning of the year.
- ALA is leaning towards combining forces with Saskatchewan and Manitoba to put on a "Prairie Cup" Tournament for the U13 and U15 levels. This tournament will be in lieu of "Nationals" since the U13 and U15 levels don't have National tournaments. Players will be hand picked to form teams. Number of teams that can attend is unlimited. Tournament to be held after the regular season.