 Lethbridge Lacrosse Association – Minutes

Nov 27, 2023

6:30 p.m. at Sisters Pub

**ATTENDEES:**, Jackie Anderson-Lea, Coreen Bates, J.j. Telford, Marty Thomas, Dawn Thomas, Devon Lyons, Rick Konynenbelt, Tanya Schwindt, Jon Zook

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**ABSENT**: Chris Kukucha, Dan Fyfe, Chance Bonneau

**PROXY**: Jackie Proxy for Chris

1. Meeting called to order at: 6:32 p.m.
2. Motion to Adopt Agenda: **MOTION** by Rick to adopt Agenda, **SECONDED** by Devon. **DISCUSSION** none. **PASSED** all.
3. Motion to Adopt Minutes: **MOTION** by Jj to adopt previous minutes **SECONDED** by Rick. **DISCUSSION** none. **PASSED** all.
4. Treasurer’s Report: Nothing major to report currently. Jj informed that the storage has been paid, waiting on jerseys and then will be paid as well. As presented.

**5.0 Directors Reports:**

5.1 Director of Tournaments (Dawn): Dawn - nothing new to report.

5.2 Director of Sponsorship/Public Relations (Devon): Devon provided an update on school visits. Going well and doing multiple visits to schools in Lethbridge and Coaldale. Continuing to book into the New Year and recently saw an increase in older kids. Come try’s going well, should get better as school visits continue.

5.3 Director of Coaching (Chris): Jackie provided update as Chris proxy. Coaches are falling into place and winter lacrosse is going well.

5.4 Director of Major Lacrosse (Jon): Pioneers are officially a go for the upcoming year. So far, they have 21 people committed to play, which is very exciting. Pioneers will be registered through Ramp and are under the umbrella of the LLA (reviewed annually). Received very positive feedback at the RMLL AGM and overall things look very positive. Rebranding of the Juniors continues, and Marty said that the mockup should be arriving in the next week. The jerseys are lighter in weight and more breathable.

5.5 Director at Large (Rick): Rick informed the board that he has been working with Lacrossing Barriers (Scott Goddfrey) which is an organization that promotes lacrosse to people that may not otherwise be exposed to the sport. They are currently planning to do 3 sessions and Rick proposed the idea of LLA assisting in either the cost of the floor time or costs of travel. **MOTION** by Devon that the LLA reallocate a small portion ($1000.00) from the previously allocated and approved budget by the board for the Rec Littles League ($10,000 total budget) and put it towards the floor time costs for Lacrossing Barriers. **SECONDED** by Jj. **DISCUSSION** – None**. PASSED** – all.

5.6 Director of Officials (Dan): Dan absent – No report sent.

**6.0 Other Reports**

6.1 Equipment Manager (Marty): Marty - nothing new to report.

6.2 Program Director (Tanya): Nothing major to report. Jackie to provide Tanya with passwords and mail key. Heather will be reaching out soon to help train Tanya.

**7.0 New Business:**

7.1 Fundraising

7.1.1. Milk River Kinsmen (Corvette raffle) – Devon will follow up for dates, but typically between Christmas and New year’s. Email and more details in the coming weeks

7.1.2 The Place – went over well, approx. $900.00 in ticket sales.

7.1.3 Progressive 50/50 and wine survivor - Proposing a wine survivor before Christmas, see if Juniors can join the minors to help promote and fundraise. More details in the coming weeks.

7.1.4 Parades – Both parades were a success (Coaldale and Fort MacLeod). Next year more advertising a head of time would be good to get more volunteers, but overall, a success.

7.2 Come try and School Visits – Devon identified a major need for new fit kits or help with fixing the kits. Need new butt ends and new mesh at a minimum and currently cannot find any supplier for new kits. Dawn suggested reaching out to the roughnecks for any extra sticks. Balls are also an issue – need more and soft ones. Marty will look into balls and more discussion needed for the sticks. Options are to buy new sticks or fix what we has. New sticks are around $60.00 a stick, whereas mesh and butt ends are less, but require help to string. Chase Huber was an option but he would need to be contacted and confirmed if he would be willing. Tabled to next meeting.

7.3 ALA and RMLL AGM Updates – Jackie provided a summary of the AGM’s. The ALA financials were not approved at the AGM and ALA appointed Sarah (SALA interim president) as head of the governance committee for ALA governance. RMLL went well and had very positive feedback regarding the LLA.

7.4 SALA and LLA Update – SALA has a board meeting on Nov 28, 2023 and Jackie asked if Jj would attend on her behalf due to an unforeseen event. Jj agreed and Jackie will send her update to Jj via email. Nick Richards resigned as the SALA secretary.

7.5 Banking (addition) – Dawn flagged this item due to the recent AGM and changes to the board. The minutes need to document that Rick Konynenbelt (Director at Large) is removed and replaced with Coreen Bates (vice president) for banking signing authority.

8. **Next Meeting**: December 18th, at 6:30p.m. @ Sister Pub.

9**. Meeting adjourned** at 8:15 pm. **MOTION** by Dawn. **SECONDED** Jon. **PASSED** all.