



## Medicine Hat Ringette Association Executive OPEN Meeting MINUTES

**Date:** 8-Dec-25  
**Time:** 1830  
**Location:** Holiday Inn Express 9 Strachan Bay SE

### EXECUTIVE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

		Present:	Regrets:
President	Rod Thompson	X	
Vice President - Operations	Jodi Kerr	X	
Vice President - Administration	Beth Lanuk	X	
Secretary	Rachelle Dunn		X
Treasurer	Coralee Trotter	X	
Registrar	Kathy Baretto	X	
Director - Athletic Development	Amy Staheli	X	
Coordinator - Evaluations	Colin Fuller	X	
Coordinator - Coaching	Loralee Eastland	X	
Coordinator - Equipment	Chris Aarden		X
Coordinator - Goalies	Sherry Leblanc	X	
Division Coordinator - Active Start	Ashley Gyorkos		X
Division Coordinator - Active Start	Bailey Bodin		X
Division Coordinator - Active Start	Simone Harty		X
Division Coordinator - U10			
Director - Scheduling	Jason Tindall	X	
Coordinator - Ref-In-Chief	Jason Tindall		
Coordinator - Tournament	Sarah McDonald	X	
Coordinator - Provincials			
Director - Ways & Means	Sherry Leblanc		
Coordinator - Bingo	Mary Leblanc	X	
Coordinator - Casino			
Coordinator - Sponsorship			
Director - Public Relations	Alycia Lowe	X	
Coordinator - Marketing	Rebecca Jackiw		X
Coordinator - Publicity			
Team Reps:			
Active Start			
U10 Step 1			
U10 Step 2			
U10 Step 3			
U12			
U14			
U16			
U19			
Open C			
Open B			

### ASSOCIATION MEMBERS & GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE:

Evan Aldred  
 Mitch - U12A

### CALLED TO ORDER:

1833h

### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Motion:  
 Seconded:  
 Verdict:

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### MEETING NOTES:

1 Tournament Update - Sarah

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 38 teams, 7 local, 2 local Open teams</li> <li>- last minute team from Regina to fill an unexpected vacancy, registration fee waived</li> <li>- 2-3 years' worth of medals purchased this year</li> <li>- cost for refs went up significantly this year, especially with hotel rooms. More refs required for larger tournament</li> <li>- necklaces and ring stuffies that were left over will be sold at future events to recoup some costs there</li> <li>- clothing sales down</li> <li>- 50/50 different approach this year - down to \$745 (from \$1601 last year). See final accounting for cost/profit</li> <li>- some banners didn't turn up, so approached Boylan's to make the banners, and Tiki Press has reimbursed the cost of the missing banners</li> <li>- refs appreciated having the hot food in the hospitality room</li> <li>- consider moving the Open division due to low interest given this time of the year - trial tagging them onto the Mini Mustangs in January, or a date in Feb</li> <li>- Suggestion: application forms: request UAA scores, how many first vs second year etc to help match teams better</li> <li>- any way to ensure all teams play on Sunday?</li> <li>- huge kudos to Sarah and Tournament Committee for all their work and troubleshooting</li> </ul>
2	<b>Coaching Updates - Lorelee</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 3 CRCs still outstanding</li> <li>- Making Headway - still lots of staff still requiring it, emails have gone out. Off the TRF if all requirements not completed by Dec 15th</li> <li>- question from parents - does there need to be a female coach on the ice for practices? The answer is no</li> </ul>
3	<b>Power Skating and Dry Land - Amy</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dryland feedback - all really good after some initial growing pains. Instructor kept things moving, focused on both shooting and conditioning</li> <li>- suggested to include U10S3 as after having seen it it would be appropriate</li> <li>- \$875 for the first round. \$2645 for the next 3 months, if we wanted to go ahead and sponsor this as the Board</li> <li>- for the extra powerskating, ensure that players are matched up appropriately (ex not U16 with U12s)</li> <li>- goalie sessions also well-received</li> <li>- Rath NRL players willing to come down, needs to be arranged in the Fall to avoid winter travel</li> <li>- Christmas ice - 21st and 28th - throwing sticks in, having some fun scrimmages</li> </ul>
	<b>Motion:</b> Amy - the Association to pay for another session for each team at the SD76 Academy
	<b>Seconded:</b> Sherry
	<b>Verdict:</b> passed, unopposed
4	<b>Christmas Gift Update - Beth</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- stick and water bottle stickers have been ordered</li> </ul>
5	<b>City Contract Agreement - Jason</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Will Percy (superintendent for the City) - wants each association to sign an agreement to rent the space under the Moose (\$500/yr)</li> <li>- still in draft</li> <li>- Are there other options we could explore?</li> <li>- Jan/Feb practices will be in the system, possibly this weekend</li> <li>- U14-19 Session 2 schedule out</li> <li>- league is looking to utilize strategies to make play and game outcomes more equitable. So there might be some teams playing other teams multiple times</li> <li>- Ice has been submitted for the Mini Mustangs (Moose and Kin2)</li> <li>- Open game on Jan 4th for exhibition</li> <li>- Session 3 - league already allocated. Be prepared to play anywhere in Southern Alberta</li> <li>- playing times for traveling teams shouldn't be earlier than 10 am, and shouldn't be later than a couple hours after the first game</li> <li>- Lots of ice lost in Calgary, but they have plans to build 5 new arenas every year, starting in ?2027</li> <li>- drastic reduction of 33% over 5 divisions for major and unsportsmanlike penalties due to multiple strategies - player/team consequences, quarter system, RAMP gamesheet data</li> <li>- U12 divisions - divisions will be pooled for Session 2. Advance/retreat based completely on data</li> </ul>
6	<b>Ed Horvath - the Person - Beth</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ed is retiring, is there something we are going to do as an Association to commemorate that?</li> <li>- Jason has reached out to key members of the Association and is still waiting on some responses</li> <li>- RAB and CRL also have something in the works</li> </ul>
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	<b>12Jan2026 1830h</b>