

RRLA Meeting Minutes

June 27, 2019

Sport Manitoba

Room 1

Meeting starts at 6:00

ATTENDANCE:

Board Members:

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Matt Mason Matt Garvey	X	Manitoba Lacrosse	lacrosse@sportmanitoba.ca	204-925-5684
		President MLA		

Approval of minutes from last meeting

Motion:

To accept the minutes from the June 14 2019 meeting MADE by: Sherri Ullett
SECONDED by: Val Gingell
All in Favour – yes

Treasurer / Budget Report:

Balance - \$81,972.61 as of the 24th with an outstanding cheque for \$8505.56.
June payroll still to come out.
Outstanding invoices – Gryphons - \$300 Sidewinders - \$150 for Junior's fees collected by credit card. All other fees are paid at this time.

Marketing Report:

- Sent off the respect email to 541 email addresses 371 opened 69% 10 bounced and 3 unsubscribed
- Blasting social media with referee awareness posts
- Starting a respect initiative
 - Graphic designer is making us flyers and banners to be printed and hung up and handed out at the rinks during playoffs

Ongoing business -

Referee

- scheduled all refs until the end of the season
- playoff schedule needs to be approved and then refs will be assigned
- MLA – Matt – Does not want us to use uncertified refs during games, there may be issues if there is an uncertified ref and an accident occurs. Opens us up to liability
 - Received an email complaint with a photo of Stacey referring while on the phone. This is unacceptable from any ref and phones are not permitted on the floor for any reason.
- The RRLA has also received complaints about referee consistency that we are trying to address
- The RRLA has also received complaints from referees about chirping from the benches and from the stands – the RRLA is attempting to address
- The MLA and Bruce are going to put on another 3-5 clinic to get the uncertified referees certified so we can continue to use them this season.
- There is no rule that says only level 3-5 refs can work Bantam and Midget games, mature newer refs who know the game are able to do those because the rule is that we only need a certified ref it doesn't say what level certification

- Suggestion for next season –
 - Have the clinic dates planned and posted in January so that they don't creep up on us and then Refs can't say that they didn't know about the clinic or that they didn't have enough notice
 - The RRLA needs to develop our own training program and schedule for all referees and coaches so that they meet and know the expectations of our association as well on top of the certification from the CLA

Mentoring –

- Bruce has been out on the floor with the young refs working with them, and running with them over the last few weeks. He has seen improvement in the since they have been getting the on floor mentoring.
- Next season we need to lay out a plan for the mentor program that start with on floor time with each ref then sideline guidance to follow

Registration –

- Kim still needs to add the Ojibway coaches to the rosters but other than that all players and coaches are registered.
- Next season – all players must be registered before the first game or no games will be scheduled

Coaching

- There are still coaches sitting on the bench that are not certified. Zone effected will be emailed the list
- Matt will work with Doug to try and get an additional clinic set up so that we don't lose these 6 or 7 coaches and so that the teams will have coaches that can sit on their bench during playoffs
- Kim sent out an email that included an offer from Marc to contact him if coaches are looking for mentorship. They could either come down to his Bantam team Toba practice or her will come down to your practice and help you run a few practices

Disciplinary committee – one coach still has 1 game of a 3 game suspension to serve – no other issues at this time

Code of Conduct

- Started a respect initiative – this includes
 - Social media blasts
 - Have a graphic designer creating posts, flyers and banners for us to get made and put up in arenas before playoffs

- Need to have rink attendants or liaisons or conveners at all games to control the crowd and the game before something happens
- Purchase t-shirts or vests for conveners to wear so they stand out and they have authority
- People aren't going to like it but we have to do it.
- Next season – have conveners at all games – if no convener home team forfeits the game
- Coaches and spectators yelling at referees before/during/after the game is not acceptable
- Spectators yelling at coaches before/during/after games are not acceptable

Playoffs –

Tykes – Done

Novice – Wizards

Peewee- lines are being painted this weekend at KWCC no more issue with playoffs

Bantam -Gryphons

17U – Sidewinders

- RRLA is purchasing 1 vest for each arena that will be left in the ref room at the end of the night that must be worn by the convener at all times.
- Each team manager is to meet the rink convener prior to the game so that if there is any issue in the stands during a game they have a first point of contact for the issue
- If the situation escalates enough that the party is asked to leave the rink that means leave the building not just go stand in the lobby

Playoff Convener's handbook –

- Change the running time for stop time for all overtime period
- We need to add what the conveners have the authority to do
- Convener need to fill out the top portion of each game sheet so that there is no errors in setup
- Full names on games sheets
- Change to say that an ineligible coach or player on the game sheet will result in defaulting the game immediately following the first draw
- All coaches must be on the roster to be on the bench no exceptions
- Don't attend a coaching clinic they cannot be on the bench during the playoffs

ALL ZONES MUST SUBMIT A CONVENER SCHEDULE TO THE RRLA FOR THE PLAYOFFS WITH CONTACT INFORMATION PRIOR TO THE START OF THE PLAYOFFS SO THAT WE KNOW WHO TO CONTACT WHERE AND WHEN IF THERE IS AN ISSUE.

Juniors –

- Started off strong but Father's day and last week only had 3 players out. We have 11 paid juniors at this time.
- Still emailing to promote and remind
- Facebook event – please share

Website – they are not getting back to us. Renewal date is January so we can start on a new website come September

Game Sheets –

- Need to get enough game sheets to the rinks to cover all playoff games

Time Keepers – Val made a motion to increase the Timekeepers hourly rate to \$11.50 as they are not making minimum wage. This increase will be retroactive to the start of the season. Seconded by Dusty. All in favour - Yes

Youth First Lacrosse – Anyone mind if we send an email blast out about the Monday Bash? – No issue – Email to go out Friday night.

New Business-

ROUND TABLE

Stacey McIvor

Marc Beghin

Andrew Jolly

Valerie Gingell

Kim Winzoski

Bruce Paton

Marketing committee

Jenney Riddell

Sherri Ullett

Mark Kennedy

Nelson Graham

Daina Ojala

Myles Morriseau

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Paul Amsler

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Matt Mason/Matt Garvey – coaching clinic invoices are being created and will be in your inboxes soon – All MLA fee invoices have been sent out please remit payment asap

MLA president

Next meeting -

Motion to Adjourn: time: 8:26