



Rockyview Lacrosse Association 2019 AGM Minutes

DATE: Tuesday, November 5th, 2019 TIME: 7:00 pm LOCATION: Genesis Place, Airdrie - Echo Boardroom

Call to Order - 7:04pm

Attendance of BOD Members: Keith Berg, Martin Burnsed, Jennifer Berg, Janet Dunford, Nick Thain, Michelle Anhorn & Melanie Burnsed

Absent BOD Members: Shane Viste, Brad Foote, Angela Sellwood, Jodi McCaw & Lisa Clarke

RVLA Member Attendance: Kim Vogel, Michelle Petersen, Kristen Mitton, Charlene Perry, Tammy Thain & Adrian Walker

Approval of the 2018 AGM Minutes: Jen brings up a typo on page 2, "the gym" changes to "the AGM". Motion to approve the minutes with the updated text, Nick. 2nd by Janet. Motion Carries

Additions or deletions to the Agenda:

Michelle would like to add the following: Goalie Coach Director

Charlene would like to add the following: Tournaments, Player attendance, Teams formulated earlier, more practices and Affiliate process.

Kim would like to discuss 1st time players making A.

Approval of the 2019 AGM Agenda: Nick motions to approve the updated agenda, Marty 2nds. Motion carries.

Board Member Reports

See attached

Treasurer's Financial Report

See attached

Motion by Janet to approve the 2019 financials as presented, 2nd by Jen. Motion carries. Motion by Keith to approve the 2019 budget as presented, 2nd by Janet. Motion carries.

Bylaws-Amendments & Changes

See attached

Nick motions to approve the updated bylaws, 2nd by Jen. Motion carries.

New Business

1. Goalie Coach Director - Michelle brought up concerns that there isn't enough coaching for goalies and that coaches have no idea what to do with them. She asked if we could implement a goalie coaching director to our board. It was discussed that we need more of a goalie liaison to the coaching director that they can use for teams. Talk of adding some goalie instruction to the coaching manuals. Keith mentioned that he has reached out to the CDLA for some weekend floor time that will be designated to goalies and have some coaching sessions. He's hoping to have Jordan and Tye come out to help.
2. Tournaments (better process) - Is there a way to secure tournaments for teams so everyone gets a fair number? C divisions have less options out there and they fill up fast. Earlier communication to teams on the process of securing tournaments. Will add to December agenda about how to secure tournaments for teams, Melanie will reach out to the Hornets on how theirs work with their Tournament Director.
3. Player attendance - Concerns with kids not showing up, teams running with the bare minimum and then injuries occurring. Jen brought up that we need to find out "why" they are not attending, is it the kids not wanting to come, the parents, coaching, etc? Janet stressed to the members that we want them to come to us with any concerns so we can address these things sooner and give everyone a great experience.
4. Teams made earlier - When the season starts they feel that other clubs teams play better together, do they get formed earlier, are they having more practices? Obviously floor is the ongoing issue with getting teams made earlier. We will be having evaluations a little earlier but getting floor is still the issue.
5. More practices - We actually had more season practices than most clubs and upped our preseason practices from 3 to 5. Will continue to see if we can get more with possibly sharing floor.
6. 1st time players making A - Could we cross reference the roster before sending out to see if there are some players that are brand new to the sport and would

succeed better in B? Had a player that had never played lacrosse and made A but struggled and most likely will not be returning. Will look into this further with the eval directors as they aren't in attendance.

7. Affiliates/Call up process - Member was curious as to the process as her son's friend was an affiliate and her's was not. Keith discussed that a list of the bubble kids was provided to the head coach of the higher division team to invite these kids to practices and possibly a game if needed. Was discussed that communication will be better going forward and make sure the parents of those kids are informed as well and not just the head coach of the other team. Kids need to be added to the Teamsnap. If we have 2 "B" or "C" teams then there are less kids invited from 1 team as they are split as to not overwhelm the coach with players on the floor.

Election of Members of the Board

- Treasurer - Michelle nominates Vogel, she accepts. Kim wins by acclamation.
- Director of Coaching - No nominations, position remains vacant.
- Director of Fundraising/Promotions - No nominations, position remains vacant.
- Division Directors - Michelle, Nick, Jen and Jodi would like to let their names stand as division directors. No opposing, they win by acclamation.

*Elected positions come into effect immediately following the AGM.

Open Discussion and questions with the membership

Adjournment: Nick motions to adjourn, 2nd by Jenn. Motion carries at 8:33pm

Next BOD meeting: Monday, December 9th @ 7:00pm. Location TBD.