



Rockyview Lacrosse Association Minutes

DATE: September 27, 2015 TIME: 7pm LOCATION: 183 Cooperstown Lane, Airdrie Alberta

Call to order 7:03

Attendees: Krista, Mel, Keith, Lisa, Trish, Lindsey, Erin

Regrets: Jen, Greg, Kim

Meeting minutes from the May 3 meeting were approved by Mel and Keith

Updates:

Treasurer's report

- We have a new accountant (same company, different person)
- They will have a report to us for the AGM

Presidents Report

- Ads have been placed in the newspapers regarding the AGM on October 18, 2015
- We need to find a location

Board Report

- Nothing to report

SilverTips Report

- New GM is Todd Haliday (sp?)
- Silver Tips board needs to fill two positions.
- Keith is willing to help out more this year.
- They would still like to attend our meetings. If someone provides Erin an email address, she will invite them.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Coaches Evaluations**
 - did not go out at the end of last season
 - Not going to go out now, it's too late

- **Injury/Refund Policy**
 - we need to revamp and put on website
 - Mel printed off other associations policies for discussion.
 - We need to have a per player start up cost, ie: shorts, socks, evaluations, etc.
 - As a group, we liked the Cardinals and Sabrecats policies, and thought they would work best for our association like this;

Refund Policy- ALL DIVISIONS

The process of evaluations and team setting incurs significant volunteering efforts and substantial operating costs. In the event that a player withdrawals from our program, the following actions will apply;

- \$50 withdrawal fee will be deducted from the players registration fees, prior to the commencement of evaluations
- \$75 withdrawal fee will be deducted from the players registration fees, after the 2nd evaluation
- \$100 withdrawal fee will be deducted from the players registration fees, after the final evaluation.
- **NO REFUND** will be provided to any player withdrawing from the program after league start-up, except in the event of an injury (please see below)

Injury Policy – ALL DIVISIONS

- If Medical exception is received, fees will be prorated based on timing within the season and in accordance with our Refund Policy.
- **Police Checks**
 - The CDLA send an email at the end of last season stating that all coaches need to have a Police Check done
 - Greg should send out an email to all coaches, sooner rather than later, advising them that they will need to have one completed prior to the season starting.
 - We need to look into adding a link/note on our registration page stating that coaches need the police check. Also add the link so people don't have to search for it.
 - Coaches will be reimbursed by the CDLA.

6)a) Evaluation Coordinator position

- Knights to run the evaluations, especially at the levels where our kids are playing and there could be an appearance of bias
- We will post on our website that we are looking for someone to fill this role.

b) Floor times

- Running into issues booking floortimes on Friday/Saturdays/Sundays, nothing available in the last two weeks of March because of soccer.
- Could we do all evaluations at Spray Lakes? Haven't approached them as of yet.
- We can do A evaluations on the weekends
- Start as early as possible in March 7-9 weeknights
- No evaluations for Minis or Tyke

c) SilverTips financials

- The SilverTips did not get paid in a timely manner last season
- We need to set a deadline to pay them
- Lisa to review the statements and relay any information

d) Financials for Minor Board

- Need to ensure that everything is paid up

e) Roles of each Board Member

- Please review your roles and send any changes to Mel or Erin to update website.

f) Select a new apparel distributor

- Best Cap?
- Would be nice to have an apparel guy at evaluations potentially
- Do we set up a website for people to order directly from there?
- Keith will look into some pricing for a bulk order of items we know would sell, ie: t-shirts, hoodies, etc. Then we can sell them ourselves.

g) Shorts issues

- People are ordering the wrong size but we need to ensure that we are handing out the shorts that they actually ordered.

h) New Board Positions

- Evaluation Coordinator
- Discipline Coordinator (Currently Corey, but he is willing to let this role go)
- Another Division Coordinator, Novice?

i) Girls Camp

- All ages at one time
- Adam de Groot is interested in running
- Are there any floor times, Trish to look into it. Would prefer to be in Airdrie. Potentially April 1-15
- 1-2 hours per time

j) Airdrie Fest

- Airdrie Fest was really fun, had a big turnout, lots of kids came and chucked a ball.
- It would be great to do again next year, hopefully we can recruit more older kids to come out and play around with the kids.
- Would be nice to have stickers or tattoos or something to handout.

k) Vendors for Fun Day

- Shaun Guest has contacted Lisa about having a booth at Fun Day. We usually use Wayne Mayall, and upon discussion determined it was best to stick with Wayne, if he is still interested.
- Zombie Mesh has also been in contact, but we don't want to take any money away from the SilverTips who usually string sticks on site. Thought it would be ok for Zombie Mesh to sell the string and get the SilverTips to string the sticks.
- A vendor who sells Hickory lacrosse sticks approached Lisa with ordering some Rage logo'd sticks. Price would be \$20 and we would need an minimum order of 25. A few board members expressed interested in purchasing for their own use.

l) Website/email issues

- all of our email addresses are .ca now
- let Mel know if you have any email issues.

m) Winter Camp

- can we start the camp earlier in the new year?
- Use any of the extra floor time for evaluations (so they are done earlier)

n) Try it

- Not in Cochrane this year if at all possible, the turnout was very poor last year, and is a big commitment from board members to run for no kids.
- Weekday here in Airdrie would be best.
- Would be interesting if we could keep track of how many kids come to try it day actually sign up. (especially from the girls try it day, as there was a large turnout, but it didn't seem like very many girls actually signed up)

Meeting was adjourned at 8:47pm