

Meeting Minutes Held: May 5, 2020
Location: Zoom Meeting

Attendance:

*Voting Members

Non-Voting Members

*President	Mike Stuckless	x	Director Player Dev.	Danielle Lorenson	
*Vice President	Lindsay Maloney	X	Ice Allocator	Theresa Stewart	x
*Treasurer	Candice Farkasdi	x	Marketing	Sandra Jesus	x
*Secretary	Becky Clifford	X	Web Master	Shaun Hyladsh	
*Zone 5 Rep	Amanda Forster	X	Social Media Relations	Shelly Rodrigue	x
*Registrar	Angela Endres	x	Social Media Relations	Jessica Winship	X
*Equipment Director	Tony George	x	Photo Coordinator	Leigh-Ann Sande	
*Director Coach Dev.	Karie Sadoway	x	Sponsorship	Sean Manz	
*Director of Officials	Tamara Hyska		Past President	Phil Bloomfield	
*Fundraising	Lee Shalapay	x	Active Start Coordinator	Mireille Sieben	x
*U10 Director	Karie Bell	x	Tournament Coordinator	Jackie Day	X
*U12 Director	Jackie Day	X	Tournament Coordinator	Stean Smith	x
*U14 Director	Jen Cameron		Evaluation Coordinator	Mike Neville	X
*U16/19 Director	Ryan Maloney	x	Bingo Coordinator	Kim Bizuk	
*AA Director	Darren Poole		Program Coordinator	Laurie Kautz	

X=ATTENDED MEETING

1. **Additions to the Agenda.** -

N/A

2. **Adoption of Agenda** –Karie Bell made motion to adopt the agenda, Mike Neville 2nd the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

3. **Adoption of the Minutes** –Lindsay Maloney made motion to adopt the March 4th, 2020 and

April 7, 2020 Meeting Minutes Angela Endres 2nd the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

4. **Correspondence** – Mike and Theresa have been attending the minor user groups for ice contracts. Ongoing questions on governance and policies. Contract is in draft form. SPRA is trying to get more desirable times and are trying to get as much ice as we had last season. Also trying to build in some contingencies because there are so many “unknowns” with the upcoming season if we have to give back ice will we be penalized for it? More information will be given during the next meeting with the County. The June meeting we will hopefully have the ice contracts completed. We are proceeding as if we are going to have the Platinum Ring and SPRA Day so working to have those events in our ice contract.

5. **Unfinished Business:** Mike received enough votes for the changes to the policies to go through and we will be putting the policies onto the website by the end of this week so SPRA members have an opportunity to read them and if members have questions they can address them at the AGM.
Mike presented a spreadsheet of returning/leaving members for the SPRA board. Angela and Candice would stay on for this season but would like to possibly have a volunteer they can train and transition into their role for the following season. Lindsay also mentioned that Tamara would be finding a replacement for her position and if not she would stay on for the upcoming season. President position needs to be filled as well for the upcoming season.

6. **New Business:** Setting date for AGM - we will look at hosting the AGM via Zoom. We are looking at hosting our AGM after the BGL AGM which would be the last week of May. SPRA AGM will be held on May 26th @ 6:30 pm via Zoom. New board executive meeting will be held on June 2nd @ 6:30 pm via Zoom. We will have to look at having our members register to attend the AGM and we will send them a link prior to the meeting to attend. Format will need to be set up for the nominations to be made for new board members online and a way to manage votes by members of the association. Lindsay is looking at a company that RAB has been using for voting during their meetings and see if this will work for our upcoming AGM. We decided as a board this year that we disregard the \$50.00 credit to families who attend the AGM this season as it will be hard to see who is actually attending the meeting as it will be a ZOOM meeting.

Lindsay reported that there is no concrete information about what is going to happen with the upcoming season. RAB suggested that we should not be running any camp and boot camps before September 1st. Most summer camps have been cancelling and refunding money to registered participants. They have encouraged associations to work with their neighboring associations to make decisions and have conversations as a group to work together but at the end of the day we cannot do anything until RAB gives us sanctioning. RAB will be taking the lead of AHS puts out as a guideline. With that being said RAB is part of a group that is working with the Ministers of the Alberta Government who are working on a return to play plan. We are to plan for a season opening but we also need to be prepared to plan for a rapid fire start evaluation for the season which will be a condensed evaluation process and they did say there is a chance that the season will be delayed significantly or that the season will start and then be put on hold again. So RAB really wants neighboring associations to be communicating and coming up with plans for several different scenarios. Mike asked if there was any talk of instead of condensing our evaluation process that we would keep that portion

of our season as normal as we have in the past and then possibly not having as many BGL games by starting possibly games in November instead of October? Maybe look at not so much as having a condensed season but looking at the time we do have and and scheduled the appropriate amount of games for the allotment amount of time that we have whether it be 3 - 5 months of game play? Mike just doesn't want the evaluation to be more stressful to SPRA athletes than it already is if it is condensed. Lindsay responded with saying that is why RAB is encouraging neighboring associations to communicate and that we are all talking about the same things and raising the same issues and coming up with our recommendations as a group and coming back to RAB with a group recommendation. The last date from RAB that we would have the go ahead to proceed with our season as normal would be August 15th. If we do not have the go ahead by August 15th that will mean that there will be a delayed start. They are really discouraging associations to do any sort of tournament prior to December 1st or any tournament at all because if there is a delayed start or a pause in the season they will need to be fitting in league games. There are too many unknowns at this point so we need to plan for a season starting as normal and have some contingency plans in place if that does not happen. RAB also suggested that we should not be balancing our association budgets by thinking that we will have revenue from a tournament. RAB is expecting there will be a significant drop in tournament registrations based on trying to keep the sport affordable. We should be planning for a bare bones season for teams, no tournaments, no swag, no extra dryland and or activities that cost money just so the season is affordable and we keep girls in the sport of ringette.

Discussion with the new board will be what we do with the surplus of money that we have at the end of this season if we cannot do a 50/50, bingo or tournament as fundraisers for the association and if registration is low. Fees etc will be discussed with the new board at the next board meeting.

Karie and Amanda attending the Children's Ringette AGM and will present us with more information at the next board meeting. Lindsay reported in the RAB meeting yesterday that a guest speaker from Richmond ringette spoke and that they are suggesting keeping the U10 and Active start divisions registration is kept open for the full season and that you do not cut registration off. That if kids want to register in ringette, or decided to play ringette after trying a learn to play program or a come try ringette program that they are able to register and start the sport right away. This would market and get as many people in ringette as possible in the early ages. RAB is interested in this approach and could be something that is discussed for this year.

We need to possibly look at an early registration to see how many SPRA members will be returning to playing ringette. Due to COVID some family members may not be able to afford playing this upcoming season. This would just be a pre-registration without any fees involved to just to get an idea of membership for the upcoming season. This topic will be tabled and discussed during our next board meeting.

Reports by Executive Members:

President: N/A

Vice President: Please see update above.

Secretary: - N/A

U12 Director:

U10 Director -

Director Coach Development:Program Coordinator: Received back the coaches surveys will be the responses to the coaches. Will be sending out links to coaches to attend some online courses being provided by coaching Canada.

Treasurer: Completed an audit on our finances. She will be ready to present finances at the AGM.

U14 Director: N/A

Ice Allocator: See above.

BGL Rep: N/A

Social Media: N/A

Tournament Coordinator: N/A

Registrar: N/A

Evaluation Coordinator: N/A

Marketing Coordinator: N/A

U16/U19 Director: N/A

Sponsorship: N/A

Fundraising Coordinator: N/A

Active Start Coordinator: N/A

Equipment Coordinator: Received most of the equipment from equipment drop off. It is all in the storage unit. Tony is looking at ordering our jerseys and equipment through Sin Bin.

Becky Clifford made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm and Jackie Day 2nd the motion. All approved. Motion Carried.

Next meeting Via Zoom June 2nd @ 6:30 pm

