



**Executive Meeting – June 17  
Meeting Room A  
7:00-9:00pm**

Attendees: K. Garniss, N. Pickel, L. Linton, C. McKichan, C. Venn, M. Murphy, C. Graham, J. Brodhagen, E. Thomson, A. Martin, K. Schaefer, M. Inch, R. Myers

Meeting Called to Order

- Our president Lisa opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. Rebecca and Melissa were introduced and welcomed from the Open team.
- Lisa requested for everyone to be kind and respectful towards one another, we are team and need to support each member of the team.
- A reminder that closed meetings are to be kept confidential.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

- Erin motioned to approve previous meeting minutes, Carol second. All in favour, motion passed.

Minutes of AGM

- AGM minutes were to be approved at the May meeting. Members have requested for approval to take place at the July meeting, to allow time for review.

Constitution

- Lisa has requested for all members to read over the constitution, bi-laws and policies. As many of these are out of date and need to start being revised. The board agreed to allow two non-board members to help Lisa with the updating as these are for the entire Ringette public to see.
- Jason recently attended the ORA AGM where constitution updates were also discussed. They suggested to use their constitution as a guideline. As an FYI there was a policy update regarding equipment, which stated that should pads are no longer mandatory.

Open B Team

- Lisa, Andrea, Carrie and representatives from the Open B team met to discuss the future of this team. The team no longer feels they are part of the Sniper family and wanted a divide from the association. During the meeting it was mentioned that if the team feels more welcomed they would be happy to stay. Our association often focuses on our youth teams and as an association this teams mean a lot, because the younger aged girls often look up to the older teams.
- Please refer to the Open B team recommendation attachment for the financial breakdown as well as the request for new team jerseys, registration fees, and lottery and bond hours.
- Members of the team have offered to coach and assist in skills and drills during practices. Bond hours for this type of volunteering will be capped at 10 hours. Goalies have also committed to help run goalie clinics.
- Nicole motioned to approve the Open B team proposal. All in favour, motion passed.
- The association as a whole wants to include this team as much as possible. At this time as per our constitution we cannot offer a SWIRL position on the board. However, the SWIRL representative is welcomed to attend all open meetings. With that being said there are other available positions on the board that need to be filled and we invite the Open B team players fill these. Rebecca has volunteered to fill the Player development position. The board will have a closed vote and notify Rebecca of the results.



- In order to keep our Open B team, we need to make more of an effort to make them feel like they are a part of our association and need to keep communication open.

#### Treasurer Report- please see attached report

- Currently sitting at \$26 000 and some in the bank.
- Need to enquire if someone does our taxes. **Action Item:** Christen to look into and report back.
- Lisa updated on having a bank card assigned to the account and accepting EMTs.
- The agreement with bank has always been that there needs to be two signatures for cheques and other banking items. A document would need to be signed by all board members stating that we agree to only having one signature on banking items.
- Suggested to switch to Meridan, because of the balance we carry, monthly service fees will be waived.

**Action Item:** Erin will present recommendations for banking alternatives at next meeting.

#### Ice Schedule

- All ice times have remained the same with additional availability for Saturday afternoon/evening ice, if as board decides we need it.
- First rock ice time is September 3, 2019 which is the first day of school. Recommended to have the older teams start on Thursday September 5<sup>th</sup> and younger teams will start Saturday September 7<sup>th</sup>.
- The only teams that will be playing games during the month of September, will be the provincial teams.
- Because ice cannot be given back to the PRC after Thanksgiving weekend, a message will be sent to the coaches to remind them that all tournament dates for the entire season need to be decided before Thanksgiving. Therefore teams and coaches need to be decided earlier this year, so that tournament dates can be discussed and agreed upon. The tournament dates have now been posted on the ORA website.
- Carrie will send out the list of blackout dates.
- SMRA has scheduled ice on Halloween night, all board members in agreement to cancel this ice.
- The PRC is closed from December 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> and January 1<sup>st</sup>.
- If the board is looking to run skills clinics in summer or fall tryouts in 2020, then ice needs to be decided on and booked in January/February 2020.
- Carrie asked PRC for extra storage and there none available.
- As a reminder from the PRC, all teams must get directly off the ice at the sound of the buzzer. (i.e. no final lap around rink)
- PRC requested that tournament ice be scheduled earlier than it has in previous years. There is difficulty with knowing if the Sunday ice that is booked for our tournament is needed or not. The PRC would like 2 weeks' notice if Sunday ice is not needed at the tournament to allow for other associations to pick up.

#### Goalie Clinics- See the attached information

- Recommendation to provide the opportunity for two regional players from each U12/U14 team to attend a goalie clinic in London. - sending a U 12/14 regional player the option of going to goalie clinic in London. Suggested to email parents stating that the SMRA is willing to pay for two players from each team to attend this clinic. As well as remind parents that goalie registration is significantly less.
- Erin motioned to have an email sent out to parents of the age group 2006-2009 requesting sign up for the goalie clinic. All in favour, motion passed.
- ORA is able to subsidize half the cost of goalie development. **Action Item:** Jason will help look into this option.



#### Equipment report

- Inventory day went smoothly, a couple jerseys and goalie sticks missing.
- Carol looked into the purchase of addition pinnys, pinnys cost \$10 each and can be purchased in August. Carrie motioned to purchase 5 pinnys in each of the colour that SMRA already has. Kim seconded the motion, all in favour. Motion passed.
- There is still a decent selection of goalie equipment. Five different sizes of pads between 22"-28". A chest protector for the older ages. A size small blocker for both the right and left hand. And a small selection of sticks. **Action Item:** Carol to send inventory list to Lisa as she has found goalie equipment donations and will add to Carol's list.

#### Promotions – Parade/Heritage/come try.

- Recommendation to be part of Heritage Festival and opt out of Canada Day parade. Christen has tried to reach Heritage Festival convenors with no response. **Action Item:** Carrie will follow with up with Andrea in regards to Heritage Festival. **Action Item:** Lisa will call parade convenor to let them know SMRA will be opting out.
- Will need to seek out volunteers for Heritage Festival which can go towards bond hours. The Open team provides a BBQ at the Army and Navy during Heritage Festival.
- Looking to update the tournament medals. The new company is local and we will not have to be shipping. Every 3 years it is expected that medals will need to be updated and there is usually around \$4000.00 in the budget for this. **Action Item:** Christen will bring a full recommendation of the medal design and cost to next meeting.

#### Parent Code Conduct/Website

- An E-newsletter to replace parent reps, to be sent out via email and will be posted on our website. **Action Item:** please send potential content items to Andrea. The newsletter will also need a name.

#### Survey Report

- U7 parents would like to see ore development. Other suggestions as follows
  - Goalie/coaching clinics
  - Extra skating for new players
  - More focus on passing rather than plays
  - Speed/Power skating- training with Luc and Jared Frayne
  - Weekly power skating
  - Specific session focus for defense/forward
  - Shooting practice
  - Edgework
  - Peak
  - Education on the shot clock, score board and game sheets

#### Date of the next Meeting

- Looking at July 22<sup>nd</sup> for next meeting
- Potentially coaching meeting to be scheduled for July 2<sup>nd</sup>. If a board member has submitted for head coach, it was requested for them to not attend this meeting.

#### Other



- Registration information was not changed on our website to reflect 2016 players was not changed to allow 2016 age group to register. **Action Item:** Update registration information with cut-off date.

Meeting closed: for closed portion of meeting.