

Strathmore Lacrosse Club Board of Directors Meeting November 18, 2024

Attendees:Jon Peters, Mel Groenveld, Crystal Upstone, Marcus Kartz, Jessica Harder, Stephanie Simeon, Michele Schwing, Carrie Yorke, Travis Gauthier, Shawna Feradi, Andrea Blackley, Kris Permann, Tom Craig, Laura Wolfe, Craig McDonald

Meeting called to order at 6:04pm

- 1. Approval of Regular Meeting Agenda made by Crystal. Second by Travis. All in favor. Motion carried.
- 2. Approval of October 27, 2024 minutes made by Michele. Second by Jessica. All in favor. Motion carried.
- 3. CDLA/ALA Update
 - No meeting this month- No update
 - CDLA AGM is Dec 2
 - ALA AGM is this coming weekend. Toim will update at next meeting
- 4. Juniors/RMLL Update
 - Nothing new. RMLL AGM is this coming weekend. Jon and Bobbit will update at next meeting.
- 7. Financial Update
 - Stephanie Simeon has stepped up to be our new Treasurer. Mel will work with Stephanie to transition her into the Treasurer role.
 - Travis nominates Stephanie for treasurer. Stephanie accepts. All in favour, Motion carried.
 - Bank Account is currently \$8,031.12. We are still waiting on the Canada Day cheque. Hoping to receive the cheque in Dec to help book floor times. Jon will follow up on an ETA of the cheque.
- 8. Apparel/Equipment Update
 - Online Store:
 - Marcus is trying to contact Rebellion and Rapid Artist Merch. Marcus would not like to rule them out as options as they are local. Would like to have a conversation with them at the very least.
 - In the meantime we will keep moving with Tuxedo. Michele has spoke with the Tuxedo contact. We can start the online store Mid Jan so people can have swag before the season starts. Asked about lacrosse bags and she will investigate them. Did ask about water bottles and socks, because this is considered a "specialty item" we would need to order minimums. Also offers a cheaper option for families. Michele will look into pricing, minimums and turnaround times on socks and water bottles.
 - Travis: Could we look into offering returning coaches a discount to go towards a different option to order? Michele will look into this.

- Evo Shield Apparel Has been emailing often. Does not look like they offer anything different than what we already have and they are pricey. We need to stick with one vendor.
- 9. Fundraising Update
 - No Update
- 10. Volunteering Update
 - Bond will increase to \$400
 - Last year there was a form/contract that was made where parents were required to sign off on their volunteer bond requirements. We can make sure this is available at registration to sign.
 - The bond would cover bigger volunteer options like Roughnecks 50/50, Tournaments volunteer positions like apparel table, fastest shot etc.
 - Bond does not cover team related duties (scorekeeper, timekeeper, penalty box, shot clock) are EXCLUDED from the volunteer bond process and will be assigned at team level. This wording can be used for our bond policy
 - The Bond needs to be clearer on the website so people know what is expected/not expected when choosing the bond.
 - If people don't choose the volunteer bond at registration, there will be a hard deadline of the registration closed date.
 - There is a tracking sheet that will go in the manager's binders to fill out. As long as the Manager fills the tracking sheet out, the volunteer committee will chase the parents that are not fulfilling their duties.
- 11. Tournament Update
 - No notification saying we have been approved for U15/U17 yet. Stay tuned.
 - Tom asked about putting Lucas Loftus Award on Website. Andrea will reach out to Shawna for approval of a write up we put on the website. Jon and Andrea will work together on a write up.
 - Shawna looking at increasing the donation she makes yearly. Andrea will coordinate that with her.
- 12. Other Business
 - One Shot Sports Photography. Team Photo Date April 29 & 30^{th.} We will need to have Teams and Jersey Numbers figured out by this time. Michele will ask if Tom can go in earlier.
 - Evaluations: Jr. A Mounties will be evaluating. Proposing evaluations Saturday Feb 22 & Sunday March 2. Not choosing to do weekday due to limited hours in the evening. Accommodating Sundays for hockey families. Total Evaluation Floor Time Cost: \$2519.37
 - We plan on sanctioning the area off to prevent parents from viewing evals. This will be in the evaluation policy. Need to communicate this through email and website. Linking the policy to the registration process is a need as well.
 - Carrie motions for \$2519.37 to be approved for evaluation floor times and booked this week. Second by Andrea. All in favour. Motion Carried.
 - Winter Camp Proposing to start Sunday Jan 5 running every Sunday forward for 6 weeks at the Soccer Center for U11 +. Registration open for Camp ASAP. Looking at registration being \$120.
 - Travis motions to spend \$7029.85 for 6 weeks of Winter Camp. Payments to be made as funds are available. Craig Seconds. All in Favour. Motion Carried.
 - Will book floor times as soon as registration payments start coming in.

- Looking into Try It Lacrosse Sessions Will need volunteers for this. Running U7 & U9 Camps out of George Freeman and incorporate Try It Sessions with this. Stay tuned for floor times and cost.
- Moving forward with a Coaching Pathway. Travis is currently working on this. Once complete will reach out to Craig and Lucas and Tom to review.
- Shawna, Jon and Marcus will meet later to set registration up in RAMP.
- Marcus attending Needs Assessment with the Town of Strathmore.
- Next Meeting: Wednesday December 18, 6:30pm.
- Meeting Adjourned: 7:18pm