



**Strathmore Lacrosse Club
Board of Directors Meeting
October 27, 2024**

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

Meeting called to order at 3:34pm

1. Approval of Regular Meeting Agenda made Kris. Second by Crystal. All in favor. Motion carried.
2. Approval of September 18, 2024 minutes motion made by Jon. Second by Crystal all in favor motion carried
3. CDLA/ALA Update:
 - The AGM for ALA is Nov 23/24. Tom will be attending. If anyone knows of any coaches, they need to sign the proxy form if they do not plan to go. This was emailed out and we have forms to sign here.
 - Planning Sessions done, start of the season will be April 19 – pushed to April 21 because of Good Friday.
 - Tournament forms were submitted:
 - Canada Day Tournament – Strathmore is the host again. Hosting with the Hornets this year.
 - Provincials will be in Calgary this year. Right after Canada Day.
 - David Far Tournament (U7/U9) – Discussions on going about who will be hosting this.
 - Tyke Fest – Communication to come. Will be in Calgary.
 - Zoning Committee – Reviewing the boundaries but no changes have been made as of yet. Changes likely to be within Calgary.
4. Juniors/RMLL Update
 - AGM is November 29/30 in Calgary. Lucas and Jon to attend. More info to come.
7. Financial Update
 - Going into the season with roughly \$30,000 after we received Canada Day funds.
 - See attached profit and loss report presented at AGM.
 - Moch up of the proposed budget is done. Took last years numbers and bumped them up 2-5% in each area. Other income was the winter lacrosse.
 - Expenses: CDLA does not provide a breakdown of their expenses. If we can get into the arena sooner our CDLA bill will decrease.
 - Equipment:
 - Tom: Please top up equipment by rounding up \$2000. We are purchasing some new goalie equipment as well as a jersey refresh for U17s (trying to get warranty you cover but not sure)
 - Tom would like to add a line for classroom lacrosse
 - Once budget is reviewed we will confirm our registration rates will not increase.

8. Apparel/Equipment Update

- 4 jerseys ripped from U17 – looking at getting replacements (possibly warranty)
- A few jerseys do not have the matching number in opposite home or away color. Will need to order matching jersey. Michele will work with Tom to get right jerseys ordered.
- Travis speaking with Tuxedo – the lady he has been dealing with has become ill. Plan to present swag options at the next board meeting.
 - Marcus: Suggest looking into Rebellion as they are local and are a great provider for the rumble.
 - Travis: Can look into. Would like to prevent moving suppliers every year. We were not aware there were more packages to choose from at Tuxedo.
- Tom will look into Sock supplier that has been emailing us
- Michele: We are missing goalie gear from U17 and U15 B as well as U7 Jerseys, coaching stuff and balls. Will work with Tom, Shawna and Marcus to get this back to the locker and signed out again if needed.
- Shawna will get a new Lock with a code instead of using keys. She will also get mouse traps and poison.

9. Fundraising Update

- Cash raffle again this year:
 - Including the Jrs. this year.
 - Also plan on increasing the raffle.
 - Will try and do an incentive competition to sell tickets. Mandated 10 tickets but any additional tickets sold could be an incentive.
 - Looking at including raffle in the registration to alleviate it from managers – Could do a staged payment. Communication will be increased on this.
- Hopefully Casino will be coming, likely next year.
- Will reach out to organizations for items we can raffle off throughout the year or the Rumble
- Team Fundraiser Policy – will need to be communicated more. Will look at revamping the format to make it more digestible. It can be reviewed at Manager and Coaching meetings as well.

10. Volunteering Update

- No update however we need to revamp our volunteer bond policy where the bond will veto you from the big positions like tournaments etc. Gameday positions will be required.
 - Bonds are also too small. We need to increase by a large amount. Paid at registration only. If someone does not meet the minimum volunteer requirements then bond will be added to account.
 - Bonds that are paid – where does the money go? Other clubs who receive bond money that goes directly to club.

11. Tournament Update

- Tournament applied for May 30-June 1
- Sticking with the two divisions – Have not heard anything different.
- Applying for U15 & U17 and if fails may have to resort back to U11 & U13
- Will continue to work on new branding of Rumble Stuff
- Fastest Shot – Andrea Perman will help

12. Facilities Update

- Carrie to book all pre-season and camp times. Will look at the budget when we have it.
 - The option is there to use the clubs VISA Debit Card

13. Other Business

- Michele and Shawna have been looking at Team Photography Options.
 - Recommendation is One Shot Photography.
Michele motions to use One Shot at \$17/photo mate numbers to be declared when registration closes. Second by Craig. All in favor. Motion Carried.
- Camp Update
 - Travis: Tentative dates are Feb 26-Mar 15.
 - U11 & up at Calgary Soccer Center. Trav focus his time on U11 +
 - U7 & U9 at GF – Ideal to have help with lower age groups. Will work with Committee Craig, Lucas, Eric and Tom.
 - Potential evals March 29 and April 5 – Hopefully does not coincide with HOKS
- Registration Fees
 - With ALA late in November and season opening Dec 1 we need to set registration fees. Jon motioning to keep registration rates same as 2024 season contingent ALA AGM. Second by Laura. All in favour. Motion carried.
- Next Meeting: November 18 at 6pm at Firehall.
- Meeting Adjourned at 4:40 pm