

## Tillsonburg Ringette Association Meeting Minutes Date: November 14, 2023 @ 7 pm Location: Marwood Lounge

**Members Present:** Jason Routley, Matt Freelen, Alycia Stier, Alicia Wilson, Jason Hughes, Melissa Hughes, Amanda Thorpe, Melissa Tunks, Wendy Tupper, Brad VanPuymbroeck, Vanessa Alton, Ashley Jasper, Stephanie Heath, Jessah Dieleman

Regrets: Erin Howse, Erin Todd, Scott Heath

## Guest: None

**Rules of the Road**: One person to speak at a time. Limit side bar conversations. Be open to other's perspectives this means: non-defending; Open to learning and being influenced; Open to differences; Think short term and long term; Have fun!

Agenda Item		Discussion	Action/By Who/By When
1.0	Welcome/Roll Call	Meeting called to order at: 7:02 pm First: Ashley Second: Brad	
2.0	Review of previous minutes/action items	<ul> <li>Open Action Items from last meeting:         <ul> <li>Close lottery license and apply for this year's license. Jason will complete.</li> <li>Adjust signing authorities. Jason will draft a letter for bank and obtain required signatures from previous authorities.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Approval of October Meeting Minutes     <ul> <li>First: Melissa T</li> <li>Second: Amanda</li> <li>All in favour. None opposed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
Stand	Standing Reports		
3.0	Public Relations	<ul> <li>Continue to post games and results; discussed where to find results for teams in tournaments</li> </ul>	

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4.0	Treasurer	<ul> <li>Reviewed Octobers revenues and expenditures and current account balances</li> <li>Healthy account balances; however RO fees and remaining ice invoices have yet to be received/paid</li> <li>Motion to Accept Treasurers Report First: Jason H Second: Wendy</li> <li>All in favour. None opposed.</li> </ul>	
6.0	Referee in Chief	<ul> <li>Discussed best practices for paying refs. Requests envelopes for each Ref labeled Ref 1 and Ref 2 with official game code. Requests they be left with time keeper in the box at each home game to avoid ref's having to chase down/connect with someone off ice. This practice should eliminate confusion when games are rescheduled as well.</li> </ul>	
7.0	President /Webmaster	<ul> <li>Discussed coaching application process and clarifying the same as it relates to google forms and RAMP registrations</li> <li>Discussed soliciting coaching applications in the summer when player registration opens to allow more time for coaching development pre-season</li> </ul>	
8.0	Coaching & Player Development	<ul> <li>Firts goalie clinic was a huge success. Positive feedback from all parents. \$40 for each participant will come out of each team's goalie development funds to pay for the clinic. Another clinic has been scheduled for December 30th from 1:30-3:30. Registration for participants from outside the organization will close on December 10th. It is currently posted on the WRRA site and there have been three registrations from goalies from other organizations thus far.</li> <li>Powerskating is up and running. Due to registration numbers and budget, Tuesday morning ice was cancelled and registrants joined the Thursday morning group. Two siblings were permitted to join to help us get the numbers we needed. There are currently 30 registrants. Feedback was received voicing</li> </ul>	

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		<ul> <li>concern about the age and skill gap. The instructor confirmed ahead of time that he had no issue with the group and appeared to manage them well. Melissa will offer to go out on the ice moving forward to help with younger group.</li> <li>November 30th deadline for trained bench staff is approaching. Several reminder emails and texts sent.</li> <li>We are also still working on collecting police checks</li> </ul>	
9.0	Equipment	<ul> <li>Ringette Store pants should be in soon</li> <li>We bought new goalie sticks for the Ringette room. Discussed a need for blockers/trappers/pads. Everyone was equipped for the goalie clinic. Discussed ensuring we have enough equipment when teams have away games and players have gear with them all day.</li> </ul>	
10.0	Fundraising	<ul> <li>Bottle Drive - Grand Total \$6279.90 minus the cost of pizza</li> <li>Discussed Calendar Lottery. Template ready to go just waiting for the lottery license. Discussed pro's/con's of selling tickets in Dec vs Jan: May be too much of a rush to get tickets out and returned in time for Jan draw; sales may be lower after expensive Christmas's; could sell late Dec/early Jan for a Feb draw. Upon confirmation, template will be sent to PR to get ready for printing.</li> <li>There will be a total of \$3975 worth of prizes awarded with a cost to us of \$3700. This is an increase from last year to allow for a grand prize.</li> <li>Discussed TRA vehicle/window decals. Accepted and Alicia Weill look into ordering a bulk quantity order.</li> <li>Jason has signed TRA up for Columbia outlet passes</li> </ul>	
11.0	Banquet	<ul> <li>April 20<sup>th</sup> at Lions Auditorium</li> <li>Discussed ideas - dance set up, informing teams of needing pictures/video early in season, running slideshow of all teams vs team specific slideshows, awarding each player with a medal/token vs awarding a trophy to a selected player per team.</li> </ul>	

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12.0	Sponsorship	<ul> <li>The sponsor bars for the last sponsor are done and have been given to their team. The new company made it look very similar to the other ones just smaller velcro.</li> <li>Tim Hortons will donate hot chocolate and Timbits for the S</li> </ul>	
13.0	Tournament/Major Events	<ul> <li>Discussed Santa Claus Parade. Wendy has a truck and trailer. We have received some donated decorations. She along with parent volunteers will decorate the float Fri night and Sat. Discussed safety. Will ensure kids on float are supervised. Wendy along with parent volunteers and will be on float. We have a driver. Managers to prompt parents to RSVP on RAMP. Managers/coaches to distribute/collect jerseys at their games on Sat/at parade at their discretion. Wendy will send association wide email with details for parents.</li> <li>Discussed Holiday Skate. Continue to liaise with Ringette Ontario about insurance related to having parents on the ice. Jason R will follow up. Discussed prompting parents to RSVP by Dec1st. Discussed music (Melissa will organize) and candy canes.</li> <li>Discussed FUN1 year end game timing given that we're not hosting a tournament his year. Discussed using last Saturday ice time. Reviewed need to order medals. Jason R will order.</li> <li>Briefly discussed interest in hosting 3 on 3 in Tillsonburg in the spring</li> </ul>	
14.0	Registrar	Nothing to report	
15.0	Scheduler	<ul> <li>Requests holiday skate be advertised on social media: Sun Dec 24 915-11:15 with hot chocolate and timbits</li> <li>The town says that anytime we need or want to use space to sell gear or hand out stuff/ use the mini rink lobby we need to book those spaces and not just expect that we can have them. I have requested this space for the holiday skate already</li> <li>Clarifies no due date yet identified by WRRL to submit ice times for second half.</li> </ul>	
16.0	Vice President & Risk Management	<ul> <li>Discussed Ontario-wide u12 evaluation and team formation processes. Similar experiences across the board.</li> </ul>	

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17.0	LTS &Adult League	Nothing to report	
18.0	WRRA	No report	
19.0	WRRL	<ul> <li>reseeding meetings upcoming - currently being rescheduled.</li> <li>Will watch for ice time submission due date for second half for scheduler.</li> </ul>	
20.0	WORL	No report	
21.0	New/Old Business	Old Business: None. New Business: None.	
23.0	Next meeting date:	December 12, 2023 at 7:00 pm	
24.0	Adjournment Time:	Motion to Adjourned at 8:53 pm First: Matt Second: Alycia S	