



WRA Board Meeting Tuesday, September 10, 2024 - 6:30PM Minutes

Call to Order at: 6:31PM

In attendance *Amie Smid, Nathan Kurjata, Tim Walsh, Jaycey Carter, Katelyn Toth, Kristie Marquette, Darrell Desjardin, Kim Taschuk, Marissa Carefoot, Ashley Roussin, Rob Lachance, Katrina Ainslie, Cristina Jackson, Steven Kuffner*

Absent:

Acceptance of Past Minutes

Motion to Accept: *Katelyn Toth*

Second: *Darrell Desjardin*

Additions to the Agenda

Acceptance of Agenda

Motion to Accept: *Rob Lachance*

Second: *Darrell Desjardin*

Old Business

Carry over from the last meeting that wasn't resolved / discussed but decided to push to the next meeting.

Photo Option (Kristie Marquette) - Northern 1st option offering a team photo @ \$10/player.

Option of \$15/player to include the digital file.

Darby Photos 2nd option will match any other offers (out of Vancouver) – booking for the end of November. Photos done in dressing room

Approx. \$1200 +taxes in total for photos

Motion to and increase photo budget by \$500.00 to \$1,500.00

Motion to Accept: Rob Lachance

Second: Katelyn Toth

PASSED

Formation of Pub Night Committee - Shannon Lake Golf Course - Courses Restaurant

Buffet is \$28/person - choice between taco bar or burger bar (no chicken burger option – option for vegan/vegetarian/gluten free, etc.) No drink included, but fountain pop/coffee.



Cristina Jackson, Amie Smid, Jacey Carter, Ashley Roussin

November 30, 2024

Volunteer hours/discount policy will add deadline to use discount (to promote early registration)

Early bird registration vs. Volunteer discount Early bird registration is an incentive for new players to register. Volunteer discount remains the same.

Motion to offer an early bird draw for a free registration for all families registered prior to August 1st.

Motion to Accept: Katelyn Toth

Second: Katrina Ainslie

PASSED

New Business

After reports from everyone, we'll discuss any new business, in a structured format, as it arises from the reports, or as requested to be discussed in advance.

Motion to swap positions on the board, namely Kim Taschuk from Coaching Director to Director at Large and Marissa Carefoot from Director at Large to Coaching Director.

Motioned by Nathan Kurjata

Seconded by Katelyn Toth

PASSED

Solution for families that want to play but cannot afford it.

(Nathan Kurjata) A couple of families want to play but cannot afford it.

Options : "Fun Sport" style program based out of WRA for WRA Players only.

Business Sponsorship.

Will work at putting something together for the next season

Ice Scheduling Friday (5:45-8:30) - option to split into 3 ice times - (45min/55min/55min)

FUN currently scheduled for Fridays 5:45PM-7:00PM (too long for there age)

5:45-6:30 (45 min)

6:40-7:00 (flood 7:00-7:10) 7:10-7:35 (45 min)

7:40-8:30 (50 min)

can look at moving the flood time with the city next year.

Equal ice time for every player (larger team - more ice)? or Equal ice time for every team?

7:30AM (Saturdays) - Generally used as a FUN practice (prior years). Going to look into using it for games against local (Kelowna) teams.

Team Formation Committee Report (Committee :Nathan, Cristina, Katrina, Steven, Marissa)



Discussion: U16 and U19 Club Teams

U16 - 10 Players (1 player from U19 playing down)

1 male goalie

5 all gender players

4 female only - some willing to move to all genders to play.

Declare an all gender team - need ALL players to commit to attending all games/practices.

Need 2 players (asked KRA) to form a roster.

IF we are unable to get additional players - find our U16 male goalie somewhere else to play and ask Kelowna to combine with us to form 2 female only teams (smaller teams).

U19 - enough players to have a female only team (2 from Kelowna, 1 from Open). An all-gender (4 players (1 male goalie, 3 female)) would go play with Kelowna's U19 all-gender team. Possibility that the male goalie is not going to play ringette this season.

Overall - WRA U19 Female Team, KRA U19 Female Team, All-Gender Team (mostly of Kelowna players. KRA U19 has 3 female goalies – could be one for each team.

Reports from Board

- *With 10 reports, please try to keep under 5 minutes.*
- *Simple / brief summary only of what's been done since last meeting.*
- *Anything specific to discuss or that you need help / input on, please provide in advance so we can include in New Business.*

President's Report (Nathan K)

Two small U12 teams. Player movement committee has been provided with all player movement requests.

U14 zone team - The coaches that were not selected filed an appeal with Ringette BC that is being dealt with by outside parties. Team was supposed to be announced yesterday but there was a delay as the coach who filed the appeal said the team shouldn't be announced until the appeal has been reviewed and either approved/denied.

All U14 players who evaluated for zone will practice with the U14 club team until this appeal is sorted and the team roster is announced.

U16 zone team (South) is formed - 6 players evaluated and all made it.

Bottle Drive - September 21, 2024 CNB is booked, insurance is paid for. We can take the bottles to the West Kelowna Depot

VP's Report (Cristina J) *Nothing to report*



Registrar Report (Katrina A) *117 registrations. Mark (zone coordinator) reached out - the AP option for any player that is playing Team BC has been set up with WRA to register*

Ice Ambassador Report (Tim W) *Heaters in the stands at Royal LePage and Jim Lind will not be turned on until early October.*

Treasurer's Report (Katelyn T) *Budget \$52,000 - currently at \$53,000 - 1 player outstanding payment (\$475). \$2,400 credit card payments pending – from payment plan.*

Director of Sport Development Report (Steven K) *Come Try Ringette (September 22, 2024) is covered. Each team gets 2 sessions of power skating (through AK Hockey) – coaches to set up. Goalie clinic - need goalie gear to have a Come Try Goalie (as per Rob we have 10 sets of pads)*

\$25 per session for any player that comes out and volunteers for Come Try Ringette events.

Director of Equipment Report (Rob L) *Setting up an online site with BC Sportswear (Katrina and Kim helping). Rob ordered "C" and "A" for all teams.*

Director of Officials Report (Darrell D) *Level 1 course being run in the Okanagan (only course being run). Mike submitted a form to intake new officials. Policy for number of new officials?*

Director of Promotions Report (Kristie M) *Fudge Fundraiser - mid-October. Will need help with sorting. Goal of \$8,000 funds raised.*

Terry from the Recreation Guide asked if we wanted to be in the winter guide.

Director of Coaching Report (Marissa C) *Working on sorting out coaches for all teams - FUN needs a head coach, they have many assistants. Currently working through all coaches to make sure they have the courses they need.*

OK Autumn Blast - *coaches may need to register before teams are formed to be sure they have a spot.*

Set Next Meeting Time / Date *October 15, 2024 7:00PM*

Adjournment: *8:26PM*

Motion to Adjourn: *Katelyn Toth*

Second: *Rob Lachance*

