



# Western Region Ringette Association

## Annual General Meeting Minutes

July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 @ 7:00pm  
via Zoom Conference

1. Welcome & Call to Order – **Chris Sharpe**

2. Zoom Info & Roll Call – **Mark DeLaFranier**

Absent: Goderich, Owen Sound, Owen Sound Ladies, SWIRL, St. Thomas Adult, Wellington North, Western Region Independent, Woolwich

3. Establish a vote count and verification of quorum (RO provided weight vote list)– **Peter Westelaken**

4. Additions to the Agenda & Approval of Agenda – **Mark DeLaFranier**

Motion to Approve Agenda: Guelph, Exeter / Seaforth, Carried.

5. Adopt Minutes of June 25, 2020 AGM – **Mark DeLaFranier**

Motion to Approve Minutes: Forest, Hanover, Carried.

6. Business arising from 2020 AGM Minutes – **Chris Sharpe**

7. Treasurer's report & Approval of Membership dues and related fees – **Barb Green**

Barb commented on the missing funds, details are provided in report  
Clarification of the \$5000, spent to RO.

Motion to Approve Treasurer's Report: Guelph, St. Thomas, Carried

8. Coordinators Reports

1. HP – **John Mezenberg**

- Congratulations to Sheri Markle and Mel Norris named to the Team Ontario

2023

- 2021-22 is a AAA year, a lot different from past. Review report for details and watch for communications from Ringette Ontario.

**2. Adult Development – Stephanie Smith**

- Engage with SWIRL and adult to improve adult league

**3. Coaching Coordinator – Vacant**

- John Mezzenberg provided a verbal update
- Reminder that CI and CSI updates
- CI of Ontario will cover 75% of the fee
- Managers are not permitted on the bench for U19 or under for any sanctioned event, as per Ringette Canada policy
- Female must be on the bench for U19 and below
- U14 only the head coach needs to be CSI certified
- Junior and assistants must complete qualifications before they can start working with the team.

**4. G&T Coordinator – Nancy Nicolson-Houghtling**

- Please review report to make sure you are aware of the new program format for provincials. 2021-22 U14 and up, all levels will be all-inclusive, but future years will move away. U12P is now called U12A and will no longer have a provincial event.

**5. Officiating Coordinator – Denise Pelletier**

**6. Membership Services Coordinator – Elly Simpson**

**7. 1st Vice President – WORL Report – Phil Singeris**

- Thank you to everybody for hard work and dedication
- June 28 WORL AGM voted to dissolve WORL and introduce the AA/A Committee.
- Planning for upcoming season is in progress. Provincial intents in progress, currently approximately 75% at the previous year levels. Member associations have submitted their willing to host and current applications are encouraging. Will following the Ringette Ontario guidelines for return to play.

**8. 2nd Vice President – WRRL Report – Jason Vermeiren**

- Thank you to everybody for hard work and dedication
- Please ensure you review the programming changes from Ringette Ontario

**Motion to Approve Coordinator Reports: St. Marys, Guelph, Carried.**

**9. Chair's Report – Chris Sharpe**

Chris verbally covered the points in his report.

Thank you, Chris, for all your work as our regional chair.

10. Motion to establish the annual “Mary and Keith Kaiser Scholarship, WRRRA will set aside funds to establish the Scholarship. (See Document on Web)– **Chris Sharpe**

Motion to Approve: St. Thomas, Exeter / Seaforth, Carried.

11. Proposal by WORL Chair to close down WORL league as all teams will play under GLRL league. Move all WORL funds into WRRRA bank/control. Motion to accept the WORL recommendation - **Phil Singeris**

Motion to Approve: Dorchester, St. Thomas, Carried

12. Discussion and motion to accept proposed WRRRA bylaw changes. - **Mark DeLaFranier & Chris Sharpe**

- Standing Committees will need to meet in next 30 days and establish Terms of Reference for committee and select chairs who will fill VP roles in the region
- Western Region AA/A Play – Need to Select Chair next 30 days
- Western Region B/C Play – Need to Select Chair next 30 days
- Western Region Adult Play – Need to Select Chair next 30 days
- Tournament Host
- Risk and Audit
- Human Resources & Governance

Motion to Approve: Exeter / Seaforth, St. Marys, Carried.

13. 2021 ELECTIONS (New Proposed bylaws if accepted) - **Peter Westelaken**

1. Chair (2-year term) - **Acclaimed**
2. Secretary (2-year term) - **Acclaimed**
3. Coaching Director (2-year term) - **Acclaimed**
4. Games & Tournaments Director (1 year term) - **Acclaimed**
5. Officiating Director (1 year term) - **Acclaimed**
6. Membership Services Director (2-year term) - **Acclaimed**
7. High-Performance Director (Formally Elite) (1 year term) - **Acclaimed**
8. Marketing Director (New Position) (2-year term) - **Acclaimed**

## 14. ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 1. Call for Tournament Hosts

Western Region is calling on application for associations willing to host the following tournaments:

- 2022 WRRR Regional Championship

Application are now being accepted, please reach out to the G&T Coordinator asap.

### 2. Call for Tournament Section Committee Members

Western Region has a standing committee to review applications to host tournament and nominate an association to the executive. The committee consists of:

- WRRR G&T Director (Chair of the Committee)
- Chair of Western Region AA/A Play Standing Committee
- Chair of Western Region B/C Play Standing Committee
- WRRR Treasurer
- WRRR High-Performance Director
- Member at large

The committee is currently seeking a chair a member at large. Please email G&T Coordinator if you are interested.

### 3. Call for Provincials AA – March 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022

### 4. Call for Provincials A – March 17<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022

See Ringette Ontario website for Host Guide and Application form.

Applications due Aug 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021

## 15. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Approve: Guelph, Elora-Fergus, Carried.