

WESTERN REGION

MINUTES

GENERAL MEETING

At Spruce Lodge, Stratford ON Thursday, 14 September 2017

Session Item	Notes: (e.g. Information, Discussion, Action, Reflection, Learning	Responsibility
Welcome everyone!		
BUSINESS:		
Welcome	Welcome everyone! Special welcome to the Western Region AAA team.	B Breckles
Roll Call	Absent: London Ladies Open, Owen Sound Ladies, St Clements, SWIRL, Wellington North, WUR.	W Allen
	D Pelletier, J Mezenberg, T Pettit-Tracey, T Butcher-Parsons	
Adopt Minutes of Previous February 2017 Meeting	Motion to accept the minutes as printed.	All
Adoption of Agenda	Motion by Tillsonburg/Dorchester. Carried	All
Co-ordinator Reports	See report. Currently in the process of purchasing new jerseys and pants for the AAA team. Special Introduction of the AAA team and coaching staff. Challenge Cup #1 in London, November 10-12 in London, Dorchester, St. Thomas and Tillsonburg. S Borland proud to represent Western Region with introduction by each player. Thank you to Western Region for all their support. The best of Luck! United team – lead by J Mezenberg has Western Region players on this team.	P Westelaken
	Treasurers Report See report. Revenue and expense only. Regionals 2017 cheques for volunteer hours will be distributed after the meeting.	J Saint

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Co-ordinator Reports continued	Officiating See report. This is a refresher year! All referees MUST attend, register through Ringette Canada website. One coach from every team MUST attend a rules clinic hosted by officiating. Note dates for officiating clinics with other clinics being added if required.	D Pelletier
	Coaching See report. Ontario Ringette and Coaching Ontario hosting a mandatory meeting on Sept 25, 2017, 7-9PM in Waterloo at Rim Park. Note ORA have created Coaching Pathways which outlines all qualification requirements needed by age and division on their website. Coaching costs are expensive. B Breckles – costs are getting of hand, what we can do, ease this burden.	J Mezenberg
	Games & Tournament See report. Welcome Chris Sharpe to G & T! Note the G & T Provincial proposals. A number of proposals have been put forward. Note a proposal has been forwarded that changes the rules for the addition of a goalie at a Provincial event. Regionals 2018 commitment of teams will be needed at our November meeting. The City of Waterloo has a new ice policy and they need to know our ice requirements by December 1 st .	N Nicolson- Houghtling Chris Sharpe
	Membership Services No report. 2 Player Contract must be received by November 15 th . Facility Audits are to be sent to Melinda. A reminder, "No Recruiting".	M Suchard
	Webmaster – Our website is slowly moving towards the goal - if you have a question, we will have the answer. In addition, contact page for co-ordinators - officiating, coaching, and G & T. Schedule is on the webpage. Let us know if we are missing anything.	K Kaiser
	Sport Development See report. The Skills Matrix and ORA Compliance document has been updated. Team Activity Logs no longer need to be completed by each team.	T Pettit-Tracey
	Adult Development See report. Developing an Adult Come-Try-Ringette program. There is funding available to market and host. Approved - Oshawa, March 29-31 to host the 2018 OAIC. Open teams – submit your team early if they want to come to Regionals 2018.	M Van Oirschot
	1 st Vice President – WORL Report See report. Note, the next meeting, to be held on Monday, September 18 th at 7:00PM at the Dorchester Library	P Singeris

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Continued	2 nd Vice President – WRRL Report See report. Remember your League fees are due immediately! Mark your calendar – mandatory coaches meetings for both reseeding on December 5 th , and seeding for Regionals 2018 on March 6, 2018.	T Butcher-Parsons
Directors Report	See report. Motion to accept all co-ordinator reports as printed.	B Breckles
2017–2018 Budget	Proposed budget for 2017-18 Region funding available to support or sport – an initiative by Association application. ORA marketing funding to come.	
Meeting Dates for 2017-18	Discussion - how many meetings are needed throughout the year? November 16, 7:00PM - Provincials and non-refundable Regional deposit – President's round table discussion meeting. It was determined that the January meeting should be cancelled.	
New Business	Western Region is now In-Corporated. Awards were given out at the ORA dinner, - to be distributed at our November meeting. Last week received notice of application from Fergus to form a new association. Western Region starts an association for independent adult teams to register through this new association. SWIRL is only a league – some challenges. Another way is to register, is with ORA directly as a ladies team. Streamline the process. We could help get it established and then they would take over. A reminder to pick-up your cheques from J Saint and Associations can submit their payment for their annual WRRA dues as well.	
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn. Forest/Goderich Carried.	

Secretary - Wendy

Thursday, November 09, 2017