

September 8, 2011

Lacombe Ringette Association

Executive Meeting

Lacombe Arena

Present: C. Law, C. Gish, T. Pluister, S. Pluister, A. Wagar, C. Freitag, C. Collins, L. Litwin, B. Cade, B. Leidl, K. Warner, K. Warner, B. Smith, J. Dorn, M. Miller, B. Miller, T. Gagnon, Alyson Pollitt,

1. Call to order – Call to order at 7:15pm by Cheryl Law
2. Agenda – additions/adoption – There were no additions to the agenda
3. Agenda adopted by B. Leidl, seconded by C. Gish
4. Correspondence – none

Reports

1. Treasurer Report – Kelly Warner

Corey Gish moves that we remove signiong authority from outgoing Treasurer, Robbie Marz, and add new treasurer, Kelly Warner.

Seconded by Chad Collins.

All in favour

Kelly Warner reported that two areas of revenue were down. The projected revenue for registration was down about \$6000 and the second area was the projected Grocery Card revenue, this is due to the lower registration.

2. Tournament – Colleen Freitag, Barb Leidl, Alana Wagar

Colleen reported that due to some tournament conflicts, we may be short referees for our December tournament. Switching our tournaments to do the younger teams in December may conflict with the beginning of Black Gold playoffs. Colleen did suggest that if necessary, we could get refs from outside of our area and pay for their lodging. She was concerned about how this would affect our revenue.

Another issue brought forward was the Belle mix team from last year. This team consisted mainly of Red Deer players with a few Lacombe girls. This team did not pay fees last year, and many of the Red Deer parents from this team did not work their shifts leaving the Lacombe parents scrambling.

Our tournament fees are a bit lower than other association. The decision was made to raise fees by \$50.

3. Grocery Cards – Jodi Dorn

We are awaiting final registration numbers after this weekend's bring a buddy. Certified cheques will be needed for Sobeys and Co-op once final numbers are in. Jodi will follow up on any missing fundraising cheques. Kelly will send Jodi a list of who has cheques missing.

Purchasing grocery card cheques for Bunny Jr. Players is optional, Megan suggested offering the option to Bunny jr parents if they would like to purchase cards.

4. Fundraising – Bev Smith, Bill Cade

Letters have been sent to local businesses for sponsorship. Cheques have started coming in. Follow up calls will be made. A few have been returned due to change of addresses or no longer in business.

5. Marketing – Tammy Gagnon

Tammy discussed the upcoming Bring a Buddy. Trying to Recruit more Bunny sr. and Petite players. Ice slot begins at 1:30.

Also discussed was the ordering of Tim Horton's jerseys. Three sets of 12 were ordered, due to the high number of Bunny jr. We will need one more set of jerseys.

Discussion revolved around our provider of apparel. TBS has provided apparel the last few years because there was no one local who could provide it. Classic Stitches in Lacombe may be able to order in same stock. Tammy will call and find out. Colleen suggested bringing in the Ringette Store for tournaments in lieu of TBS as well.

Lacombe's Annual Don't Hibernate Fair will be held on September 14th.

Ringette week activities will be held on November 3rd.

6. Ice Allocator – Steven Pluister

Ice is available in Clive this year and is a bit cheaper than Bentley. Slots also available in Blackfalds. We will need to confirm number of teams following the Bring a Buddy and Don't Hibernate Fair. BlackGold ice needs to be in by September 14th.

7. Referee Clinics – C. Gish

Level one coaching clinics will begin on September 18th and continue on October 2nd. An e-mail to all tween aged players will need to be sent out. Registration is available online via Ringette Alberta.

Referee Allocation may be done through the new website. Corey will contact to set this up.

8. Equipment – Bruce Miller

Bruce picked up some blockers for goalies to try. About 100 rings will also need to be ordered as well as gamesheets, and extension cords for shot clocks for set up in Clive. Larry and Chad mentioned our shot clocks should be in good working order.

9. Registration – Megan Miller

Our registration numbers currently sit at:

Junior Bunny – 14

Senior Bunny – 15

Novice -33

Petite – 18

Tween – 19

Junior – 11

Belle – 5

Discussion ensued with regards to Petite. Small numbers and no committed goaltenders were the issues brought up. If we pull up from Novice, it could hurt Novice teams. Traci suggested having a meeting with Petite parents to discuss evaluation process and small teams. Traci will organize meeting.

A cheque will need to be sent to Black Gold right away.

10. Odds and Ends

Coaches meeting for affiliation to held on October 5th.

Zone 4 meeting will be held on September 28th: All Bunny and Novice coaches should attend. Our Zone 4 rep is Jacquie Hutchinson.

Black Gold Executive Meeting will be held on September 25th.

A coach clinic will need to be set up.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10pm Motioned by Alana Wagar, seconded by K. Warner

Next Meeting will be held on October 12th.