



Attendees:

Executive	Present	Directors	Present	Commissioners	Present
President – Jason Hoffart	√	Coaching – Graham Lauten	√	U12 – Emily Chambers	√
Vice President / ROAR – Paul Kozan		Equipment - Neil Stang	√	U14 – Nicole Fisher	√
Secretary - Darla Larson	√	Marketing - Darin Degenstein	√	U16 – Joanne Okerstrom	√
Treasurer - Rae Lenz	√	Player Development – Marcel Garnier	√	U19 – Lesley Jung	√
		Registration - Kim Byrns	√	18+ (Open) – Jessica Romanski	√
		Website – Jenn Shupe	√	Others (list, if any):	
		Children’s Ringette – Michelle Burnett	√	Dustin Thiel	

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 6:33
- 2) Additions/changes to the agenda - shot clocks; criminal record checks/vulnerable sector checks
- 3) Adoption of agenda – BYRNS/GARNIER
- 4) Adoption of Minutes –

**MOTION: OKERSTROM/STANG move to adopt the October 3, 2022, minutes as posted on Basecamp. 14 In favour; 0 opposed; CARRIED.**

5) Treasurer Report (Rae)

- Financial Statements were finalized on October 30, 2022, and filed with ISC on the 31<sup>st</sup>.
- Bingo audit has a few outstanding items but is wrapping up. A few details were learned from the audit like we are permitted to spend the bingo profits received from Amalgamated Charities on ice and officials; and the 25% grant is not restricted on what we can spend it on and can be deposited into the general account.
- Contract with Tap 50/50 has been signed and a bank account has been created. Next steps for the 50/50 are to create a committee from the board to move forward in partnership with the tournament committee. The rules of play need to be determined per the owner of the Tap 50/50 with one application for all events such as tournaments and nationals as well as pricing, dates, draw location, etc. They will only allow one draw location for all if applying for multiple raffles under one license.
- Next steps will be to transition to the new Treasurer, finalize the bingo audit.

6) Old Business

- Action Registry –

Owner	Deadline	Description	Status (Open/closed including date)
Jason	Dec. 5/22	Contact tournament director to arrange a meeting with the Treasurer re: Tap 50/50.	OPEN – Nov. 7/22
All board with exception of Jessica	Dec. 5/22	Review and provide comments on the 2023-2025 Europe Team proposal	OPEN – Nov. 7/22



7) New Business

- 2023 CRC Update (if any)
  - A meeting was held last week after we finally got the fully executed agreement on October 17<sup>th</sup>. The meeting was held with all the heads/chairs of the subcommittees. Michelle is going to meet with the Treasurer and get bank accounts set up. We are still at a point where we are not getting answers from Ringette Canada as they have been focused on the Worlds as of late. Ringette Canada did notify us that a new director of events will start with them in the very near future and they will be responsible for this event. There will be another committee meeting and in the meantime, Michelle is going to work with Jenn to get an email sent out to the RRA membership requesting committee volunteers.
- European Team Proposal
  - Need to have a decision by the end of this playing season as to how we will proceed.
  - Darla will start a new folder on basecamp for this project as well as get a google document started and uploaded for board members to share their questions and comments for further discussion.
  - Jason will advise Jessica that there is no decision made at this point but that we are asking board members to review the proposal and starting discussions. We will add this to next month's agenda for an initial further discussion.
- New Treasurer
  - Dustin was asked to leave the room while a vote was held for his appointment.
  - Jason had previously shared Dustin's qualifications with the board. Any questions and comments were welcomed prior to asking for a vote. No concerns were raised.
  - **MOTION: GARNIER/STANG motion to appoint Dustin Thiel as the new Treasurer for RRA until the next AGM. CARRIED. 14 In favour; 0 opposed; CARRIED.**
- Strategic Plan Update
  - Darin reviewed a short presentation that he, Rae and Mike Wiens put together with the work that was started and worked on a year ago. In the document there is a list of key performance indicators that has been suggested we should start using to measure ourselves.
  - Everyone is to have a look at the document and provide comments on which ones makes sense to start measuring ourselves on. Darla will create a folder and share a google document on basecamp for input.
  - We will review/discuss at the next board meeting.
- Shotclocks
  - We are having some issues with the shot clocks being left in the box. Shot clocks are to be turned off and returned to the information centre (or office in the case of a few city rinks) at the Cooperators after every game. The only exception is if you hand it to the team that is playing after you and it is made clear to them that it is now their responsibility to do so.
  - Neil is requesting an email be sent out via the Commissioners U12 and up indicating that all teams are required to take responsibility for shot clocks. This entails ensuring the shot clock is turned off and the remote returned to the information booth at the cooperators, or office in the case of the city rinks.



- Neil is looking at getting a hard carrying case for our spare set of shot clocks which will prevent damage when they are being transported.
- Criminal Record/Vulnerable Sector Checks
  - The vulnerable sector check is requested at the same time as you request a criminal record check. If you do them separately the cost is double. Going forward people need to be aware that they need to get a **criminal record check AND a vulnerable sector check**.

8) Reports:

- Player Development
  - They have had three goalie clinics and have had good attendance with 18 registered and between 12 and 14 attendees each session. Tracey Garnier-Phaneuf is running them and Kiarra Corbin is assisting. The clinics are available for Fun 3 to U16. Information was sent out about them, but people can continue to spread the word.
  - Power skating has been well attended by all reports.
  - The Coach the Coach program needs to be reviewed to ensure that the people that are being paired up are a good match. There have been a couple instances whereby the pair-up was not well matched.
- Marketing:
  - Darin will talk to the scheduler about some ice times for some Come Try events in December and early January, as well as for Girls in the Game.
  - Darin is going to look at getting a school field trip planned. The CRC's wont work for this event as it is Easter break. But perhaps this can be arranged for either the Jim Benning or QCC tournaments that are coming up.
  - Darin requested Access to televise some games from the day in Southey on November 12<sup>th</sup>, but they denied due to too many other requests. Going to see about televising a game or two at the Wickenheiser during QCC February 3-5, 2023.
  - New jackets will be delivered this week for the board and marketing team.
  - Darin is on the hunt for a copy of the Leisure Guide that we put an ad in...doesn't seem to be many around and perhaps it wasn't even printed. If anyone gets their hands on a copy, please keep it for him.
  - Received the first invoice for the ice at the Red Knight Arena in Moose Jaw. It is very cheap ice at around \$145/hour.
  - Darin wants to try and run another CTR in Moose Jaw mid-season to try and get a second team.
  - RAS partnered with the Moose Jaw Multicultural Council and launched a gym ringette program with 14 participants. There are 3 or 4 participants that are very good candidates for ice ringette, and they may join the second half.



- Tournaments (as submitted by Jayda McMillan)
  - Only had 16 teams in the Elite Tournament, November 4-6. This was a bit disappointing and of interest is that the MB teams opted not to come because they intend to come for CRC's and didn't want to come to Regina twice. Went with medals for all divisions except for the Open Division, which was cash.
  - There are 33 teams registered for the Jim Benning, January 6-8, 2023. Our max for this tournament is 40 so we have more spots to fill.
  - There are 22 teams registered for QCC, February 3-5, 2023. Our max is normally 40 for this tournament, but because we are hosting the NRL games we can only accept 30 due to our ice allotment.
  - The Regina Hotels Association committed to tournament sponsorship again this year at \$10,000 providing we meet our room requirement of 1,150 room nights. We normally get majority of our rooms at the Elite Tournament, but due to less teams in the tournament this year that is not the case and we are down by at least half if not more. If we can't meet our goal, we will just get a percentage of the funds.
- Registrar (Kim)
  - We have 487 paid members and 7 that remain unpaid. Kim isn't sure how to handle this as the individuals don't seem to respond to Kim's request for payment. Kim will provide Jason with the list of unpaid members, and he will send an email to people that haven't paid. We are going to have to indicate to people that if they have not paid their dues they will not be allowed on the ice.
  - October was a busy month getting all players, team staff and board members activated on teams/TeamLinkt. This came with some issues and troubleshooting with TeamLinkt to get all the kinks worked out.
  - As well, all players, bench staff, managers and executive had to be registered with RAS. This was a big job to get everything in order and uploaded to RAMP, the program that RAS uses. RAMP will be used to generate official rosters for teams to enter tournaments. There are still some late registrants that have to be uploaded to RAMP as well as officials, which is a work in progress.
  - Kim will create a half-season registration for the FUN division. Registration will run December 1-31.
- U12 (Emily)
  - The U12B Venom has requested to host a one-day tournament in Fort Qu'Appelle as a fundraiser. Board approval is required for them to proceed to get sanctioning. There were no objections and Emily can tell them to proceed with sanctioning.
- 18+ (Jess)
  - The Open C Misfits have requested to have an exhibition game vs U14B Shock on December 4<sup>th</sup>. The coaches of the Shock play on the Misfits and it is just meant to be a fun game.
  - The Open A Grit had concerns with how many AP's could be used due to road conditions and players being ill. It was decided that it was more important for the games to proceed rather



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than having to reschedule and as such they could use how many ever AP's they need to proceed with games.

- There have been many questions with regard to using shot clocks in the cases where Open C and Open B play. It was determined that both teams have to be in agreement to use them, but it is the responsibility of the Open B team to provide the operators. In the case where two Open C teams want to use the shot clock that's fine, but whatever team has requested it will need to provide the operator since most Open C teams can not commit to having an operator for games.
- Have one spare for both B and C and no spares for A.
- Abby McCormick was questioned about being able to AP for Open C due to the fact that she is AP'ing with the Saskatoon AA team. Because she is registered with RRA on a U19B team she is eligible to AP in any team in the Open division.
- Coaching (Graham)
  - There has been a lot of sickness on teams as of late, which has tested the AP limit. It was determined that we have to be flexible with this rule due to the fact that it is much better to have games proceed rather than having to reschedule.
  - The junior coach program has to be managed a bit better next year in that there needs to be a deadline whereby there is a list of interested junior coaches created and presented to the board for review. The program overall has been well received.
  - Graham wondered if it is Graham's job to look of coaching certifications. Yes, in the past the Director of Coaching has looked it up and has been responsible for that. However, the commissioners also need to send reminders to coaches about certification that is required and when those sessions may be happening.
  - Need to get a mid-season coaching survey out mid-December.
  - All reports are that the goalie clinics are a great thing.

9) Upcoming Critical Dates Review

10) Next Meeting – Monday, December 5, 2022, 6:30pm

11) Motion to adjourn – STANG