

Attendees:

President – Jason Hoffart	√	Coaching – Michelle Gray		U12 – Emily Chambers	
Vice President / ROAR – Michelle Burnett		Equipment - Neil Stang	√	U14 – Nicole Fisher	√
Secretary - Darla Larson	√	Marketing - Darin Degenstein	√	U16 – vacant	
Treasurer – Dustin Thiel	√	Player Development – Marcel Garnier		U19 – Lesley Jung	√
		Registration - Kim Byrns	√	18+ (Open) – Jessica Romanski	
		Website – Jenn Shupe	√	Others (list, if any):	
		Children's Ringette – Cindy Pettigrew			

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 6:32pm
- 2) Additions/changes to the agenda none
- 3) Adoption of agenda FISHER/THIEL
- 4) Adoption of Minutes -

MOTION: SHUPE/JUNG move to adopt the November 6, 2023, minutes as posted on Basecamp. 8 in favour; 0 opposed; CARRIED.

- 5) Treasurer Report (as posted on Basecamp)
 - not a lot of expenses yet as ice expenses have not come in.
 - a number of things to be cleaned up for the audit.
 - Ringette Canada still has the money from the CRC's and we need to keep this on the radar.
 - Should possibly look at a fundraising committee as it's too much for the Treasurer to look after along with the other duties. This was apparent when we ran the 50/50 recently.

6) Old Business

Action Registry –

Owner	Deadline	Description	Status (Open/closed including date)
Dustin	February 2024	Work on an on-line version for tracking volunteers so we can get away from the paper way of tracking, which is very time consuming.	OPEN June 19, 2023
		Aug. 19 th - work in progress.	
		Sept. 11th - will be very simple to the expense for and it will be a google form and people will be able to attach sheets.	
		Oct. 2 - work in progress	
Dustin & Jason	January 2024	Develop a sponsorship policy so that the RRA has a guideline to follow for future sponsorship requests.	OPEN Sept 11, 2023

Owner	Deadline	Description	Status (Open/closed including date)
Dustin	March 2024	Need to keep our eyes on the money that is owed to us from Ringette Canada from the CRC's.	OPEN Dec 4, 2023
Jason	January 2024	Talk to Michelle about requesting a meeting with ROAR	OPEN Dec 4, 2023

7) New Business

a) <u>U16 Commissioner</u>

 Jayda emailed Jason and expressed interest in being the U16 Commissioner. After discussion a vote was held.

MOTION: JUNG/STANG move to appoint Jayda McMillan as the U16 Commissioner. 0 in favour; 8 opposed; DEFEATED.

b) RAS Strategic Plan Representatives (Jason)

 RAS is hosting a Strategic Planning session on January 12th (evening) and January 13th (all day) and they are looking for 2 representatives from each association. Darin and Dustin both agreed to take part and represent RRA.

c) BPRA Contact Info. on RRA Website

BPRA does not have contact information on their website so we can't link it to ours. Should
ask them if they will list their contact information so that we are able to do this. Jenn will
start with an ask and if she receives pushback she will refer it to Jason to make the request.

d) Exhibition Games

- What constitutes an exhibition game vs what's a scrimmage? After some discussion it was
 determined that we need to add a bullet into the playing rules that explains what an
 exhibition game is and when a scrimmage can exist.
- It was also brought up that we need to request a meeting with ROAR (Tanya) to indicate that
 we don't feel transparency is there and certain refs are being scheduled for certain games.
 Jason will talk to Michelle about setting up a meeting with ROAR.

e) Selling Ice on the RRA website (Dustin)

Teams are responsible to get rid of their own ice if they are unable to use it. It is not the
responsibility of the commissioners to find someone.

f) <u>Unpaid Registrants (Dustin)</u>

- We have 6 unpaid players that are all KidSport so Dustin will follow-up.

g) <u>TeamLinkt RRA Branding (Dustin)</u>

 Numerous people received an email from TeamLinkt recently about branding. Jenn will ask how much it will cost for the branding.

h) RRA Open Division Game Forfeitures

- The Open Aces forfeited a game an hour before the game and then none of them showed up to play. They have not paid their performance bond yet but when they do they won't get it back. If they don't pay RRA at all, Dustin will invoice BPRA for it as they are a BPRA team. The Hellraisers won't be penalized as it was the Aces that forfeited and then didn't show up.

8) Reports (as posted on Basecamp):

• Children's Ringette (Cindv):

- Lost 1 Fun3 Player from Moose Jaw. No refund from the league as it was after November 1st. A refund was issued from the unused team fees. They were asked what could be done to salvage the season, but the family declined.
- Recruited a new player from the learn to skate program. Will be attending a come-try event in December.
- A game on the 29th was cancelled as TeamLinkt had the wrong location. Working to get it rescheduled.
- Registration for Children's Jamboree is Open, March 2-3, 2024. This is the same weekend as the open provincials and the Brier, so hotels could be tight.
- Jeff, Lorna and Cindy are attending games sporadically to observe and will continue to do so throughout the season.

Coaching (Michelle G.):

- coaches have received an email from Michelle re: their coaching requirements and there is continuous communication with RAS regarding certifications and progress.
- Two upcoming CSI clinics Dec. 9th and 17th are being held at the RRA office and Dec. 15th is also being held to allow for a second clinic (if required) since our November one was cancelled unexpectedly.
- Mid-season survey will come out in the near future.
- First Aid certifications for teams will be reviewed.
- Comp Dev requirements for coaches attending CRCs.

• Equipment (Neil):

No report.

Marketing (Darin):

- Need someone to run the Come-try event on Saturday.
- Starting to think about advertising for next summer and want to possibly do some TV
 commercials and buy some of the big billboards vs the sandwich boards that just don't get
 visibility.

• Player Development (Marcel):

Goalie clinic attendance numbers were shared and they are well attended. When there are more than a dozen goalies that attend it makes it difficult to have a successful session.

Registrar (Kim):

- Gained two players and lost two players in the CR/Youth division in the last month.
- continue to track CRCs that are required.
- All board members CRC has to include the CRC-VS.
- Registered RRA teams for provincials.
- monitor and track manager certifications.
- various lists distributed such as bingo leads; disagreement with social media; bring-a-friend; team treasurers; heritage and disability data.
- Open half-season registration for LTP.

• Vice President (Michelle B.):

No report.

• Website (Jenn):

No report.

U12 (Emily):

No report.

• <u>U14 (Nicole):</u>

- a lot of ice given back and a lot of game changes this season, which has not been easy to deal with.
- dealt with some complaints about social media bullying with one team targeting another team.
- have sent out an email about the green armband rule and the fact that it needs to be adhered to.
- also should consider sending an email out about the 24-hour rule and respecting fellow players, parents and coaches.

• <u>U16 (Nicole):</u>

nothing to report.

U19 (Lesley):

- attendance continues to be low at practices and is largely due to the schedule. This age group needs a lot more notice about practices and game times, or at least more consistency, due to a lot of people having jobs. This has been shared with the scheduler.
- only one of the three B teams registered for provincials. Feel this should not be an optional event and all teams should be required to attend.

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• Open Division (Jess):

- Weekend afternoon games in Rouleau and Southey continue to be a struggle for teams to have enough skaters and teams quite often have as many as 4 to 5 APs per team.
- The Aces forfeited a game against the Hellraisers with a 1-hour notice. We still have to pay the refs for this game also. There needs to be some discipline. Aces are the only Open Team that did not show up for the team staff meeting that was held.
- 9) Next Meeting Monday, January 8, 2023, 6:30pm
- 10) Motion to adjourn STANG