

Minutes of the Meeting
April 7th

1. Call meeting to order. In Attendance: Fred Haight, Tom Jefferson, Barry Reid, Ken Steubing, Andrew Jolly, Kim Knowles, Glen Henkowich, Chuck Joyal, Jim Verburg, Marc Beghin, Ryan Bruyere, Greg Dorland, Larry Ziffle, Lisa Groinus, Matt Girardin, Marie Lysak
2. Motion to adopt minutes of the Meeting of March 31, 2007
 - Motion by Andy Jolly 2nd Barry Reid
 - Carried
3. Business arising from the minutes
 - Gryphon's Player suspension etc....deferred
 - Intermediate players – Chuck Joyal had nothing to report. At this time there have not been any new players recruited.
4. Outstanding Business
 - Presentation by MLA representatives. Kim Knowles referenced the last RRLA meeting that there were many miscommunications between the RRLA & the MLA.
 - Chuck Joyal – appreciation for the communication between MLA & RRLA works both ways.
 - Issues regarding saving the Junior league and the PLL there were difference of opinion
 - Fred stated that the ram rodding was in a positive – Glen Henkewich kept the committee on track, forced communication, we need to move forward with the new RRLA. Glen's influence was a positive leadership effect.
 - Andy Jolly – the WMLA was behind in our responsibilities therefore the formation of the RRLA is considered a positive
 - Glen Henkewich – the opinion of the MLA was that the operation of the current WMLA was obsolete. The Policies and Procedures/ Constitution/ etc were in dire need for revamping. Glen is here to discuss the organization chart where the process lies in regards to reporting any communication from the RRLA to the MLA. MLA reports down to the RRLA all standards from the CLA and are here to ensure that the CLA standards are adhered to.
 - Kim Knowles is VP of Development
 - Brent White is the Box representative from the RRLA Board to the MLA Board. Kim noted that the actions from the March 9th meeting were not addressed for Brent to provide answers for the meeting of March 31
 - If a request comes into the office regarding a clinic for box or inter-lacrosse. It is not meant to slight the board by not informing of such clinics. Now we have the opportunity of referencing the new Sticks N Stones newsletter for reference on what's happening.
 - MLA arranges all of the Coaching, Officiating & timekeepers with input from the RRLA – if nothing comes to light the MLA will still arrange to ensure the success of those such clinics.

Senior games are 2 hours. If the game time is 8pm the players are on the floor warming up at that time.

To be re-evaluated at the end of the year.

Action to Bruce Payton to be aware of the extra 25 minute warm up time. This is to be communicated to all Officials.

Motion by Ken Stuebing 2nd by Matt Girardin
All in favour Carried

- Matt Girardin considering a \$2.00 cover charge for next year for all Junior games
- Field Lacrosse have requested that Bantam and up be scheduled 7:30 – Bantam at 7:30 Midget games later

Chuck Joyal – not clear in terms in how many Intermediate teams will we have 3 teams. We need to make the decision that we will have a slot for interlocking 4th team. We can play the intermediate league against the Midget A program. Fred to send this to the scheduler

Junior draft for 5 junior teams and this way we have the slots

Ken Stuebing

Would any of the other programs be interested in maintaining a Stats programming for a program for each game.

Administer Junior team stats by each Zone. Lisa to get in touch with Rick Wilson as to the process

Action to Lisa: Most recent travel policy and form from the MLA Is this still a 60 day policy.

Fred to see via a lawyer to see if the Appeals Policy passes a lawyers inspection

8. Zone 1: 222 players staying with 16 teams, 17 interm & 11 at junior
Tryouts start april 9th at East End
Comments have been made that Tykes families are not happy with half court. Letters are being formulated

Zone 2 Going with teams declared at last meeting Skills starting today and running next week at Maples. Maples and (Pioneer on Logan) as rinks

Zone 3 Stick with teams registered Skills camp starts Wednesday April 10th

Zone 4 Teams are as stated – would like to speak with the West for a possible extra Intermediate team. Skills camp started today. Concern with regards to the Tykes going half court, although

Zone 5 age advance Midgets to the Intermediate program

Zone 6 Teams are as stated – ice out of Sagkeeng, Sagkeeng will consider moving the Midget to A rather than B. Skills camps to begin this weekend

Senior has 25 players afraid that he may have to turn away some players

Is there a conflict of interest with a Senior player who is coaching a younger level team. It is the responsibility to the player to discuss with his respective zone his loyalty. If the player is suspended as a player he cannot coach and reverse.

Ryan Bruyere has a question regarding Senior and Juniors playing against each other. With regards to Senior playing Junior in a 7 league. Do they want to play each other, how many times do they want to play each other. Juniors to play Seniors 2x and Seniors to play each other 4 times.

Jim Verberg needs to know what the Sidewinders need to determine if they do in fact have a Junior team. Need to get this answer

- Marc Beghin – plays Seniors, coachesVP development. Addressing the concerns of the Zones. In agreeance with the DB Wear. Great opportunity
- Chuck made a point that we have the capability to promote our sport thru our website.
- Matt how does the RRLA move forward. Ensuring we move on the

Marc would like to lead a group from the RRLA

We also need to work together with summer hockey programs and through out the hockey community.

Through the University of Manitoba mini camps.

Tom made mention to the Leisure guide and

Action: we need to create our own database of all members of the RRLA under each Zone. This way we will have mailing list.

Marc is going to work with members of each Zone to begin working on a marketing plan for next season. marcbeghin@hotmail.com phone 226-1745.

Zone 1: Cheryl Smith

Zone 2:

Zone 3:

Zone 4: Stuart Browning

Zone 5:

Zone 6 : Ryan Bruyere

We need to create a sponsorship package,

Larry Ziffle – each zone to look at ways they can promote the sport of lacrosse

Maria Lysack – nothing to report

Jim Verberg – we need to target the kids, target the community clubs, hockey clubs

Matt Girardin – Whenever we have people looking to reference lacrosse they are automatically put to the MLA office. If we are looking to promote the sport of Box Lacrosse for the RRLA we need to step up and take more responsibility.

Chuck Joyal – need to look into media releases/PSA's
Action to Chuck to look into the media contacts

Trophies to be on the agenda for the next meeting.

Greg Dorland – is impressed with the new way to promote RRLA promoting word of mouth

Tom Jefferson – Bus advertising

Ken Stuebing - You Tube and Face Book. Back in Ontario at registration time possible discount – if you bring in 4 newplayers you can receive your registration free.

- DB WEAR – Stewart's company will create a brochure. DB Wear will inventory the product. Stewart will send an email with the markup%% to Lisa.

Next Meeting Sunday, April 13^h, at 7:00pm

Actions Items

- Lisa - Administer Junior team stats by each Zone. Lisa to get in touch with Rick Wilson as to the process
- Action: All Zones to send an electronic copy of their constitutions to Secretary
- Bruce Payton - **Motion:** For the Junior B/Senior programs to consider the pre-game warm up to be increased to 10 minutes light helmet/glove warm up on the floor 10 minutes to go get dressed. 5 Minute high intensity and goalie warm up. To be managed by the home team on the clock. Junior and Senior games are 2 hours. If the game time ie is 8pm the players are on the floor warming up at that time. To be re-evaluated at the end of the year.

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