

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

March 23, 2016

Present: Simon Lee, Ernest Dupres, Jody Trethewey, Lainie Wintrup, Mary Perry, John Carter, Melissa Connell, Tracey Tulloch, Danielle Cote

Absent: Cathy Hebert, Josie Avery

Item	Discussion	Action	Owner
1.	Call to Order @ 6:40pm		
2.	Confirmation of Quorum		
3.	Approval of Agenda Moved: SL Seconded: JC Result: Passed		
4.	Approval of Previous Minutes Moved: SL Seconded: JC Result: Passed		
5.	Standing Items 5.1.1) Josie Avery has resigned as Director Marketing and Sponsorships. Major focus has been on Provincials, some policy issues came up during tournament play. These will be addressed in the upcoming policy changes (i.e. use of affiliates by high performance teams). In retrospect there was a need for a coaches meeting prior to high performance qualifiers to clarify the rules and policies. Another area of concern was clothing for Nova Scotia teams. The feedback from the recreation team tournaments was very positive, great comments about having them in one location. There has been some general discussion about bringing back the bronze medal game, especially for large divisions like U12. This would add about \$100 per team to the tournament costs. The presence of large pools may also bring about a review of the standard tournament formats. It was also apparent that some host associations didn't fully understand their responsibilities as hosts; there is a need to review these in advance with the Association representatives. There was also a reminder given by several associations about the different divisions that are put on the same weekend due to call-ups between divisions and also dual roles as players and referees. 5.1.2) None. 5.1.3) None.	<p style="color: red;">BOD members to indicate their intentions for next season to the Secretary (ALL)</p> <p style="color: red;">Provide updated job descriptions to Nominations Committee (LW)</p>	

	<p>5.1.4) HRM Rec at LeBrun and Sackville Sports Stadium are running gym ringette programs in April, RNS will assist in co-ordinating trained instructors and equipment ordering from Sportwheels as well as referrals to CTR events. This follows the successful model used in areas like Colchester. There has been a good pass through for CTR from these programs. Will be having a meeting with Sackville Sports Stadium next week.</p> <p>Coaches have their technical packages for Easterns and Nationals. RNS has 3 referees going to these events.</p> <p>Continuing to be busy with government and Ringette Canada reporting requirements, RNS is up about 200 participants overall.</p> <p>Possibility of a U12 team coming from Pictou next season. There is also growing interest in the Amherst area, especially in the Masters division (possibility of two teams). Supplying gear to players in these areas helps ease parents into the sport, i.e. start with masks, then sticks, helmets, elbow pads, etc. to remove the need for purchasing the full gear right away.</p> <p>5.1.5) Deferring until after the AGM.</p> <p>5.1.6) <i>Policy Committee</i> – Committee will be meeting on April 7th at 6:30PM at SNS. The committee will consist of:</p> <p>Chris Clarke Cynthia Carroll Darren Oickle Secretary Director Officials Central Rep President</p> <p><i>Nominations Committee</i> - Brian Rawding declined to be the chair of the committee due to work commitments. Secretary will assume the role of chair. BOD members are reminded to indicate their plans for next season (returning/not returning) to the Secretary by March 31.</p> <p>Executive Director will have updated job descriptions by the end of the week (April 1).</p>		
6.	Business Arising from Previous Minutes		

	<p>It was felt that a discussion about the regional model and tiering for next season will be needed, even the re-forming of the regional model committee from several years ago.</p> <p>On the high performance front, there may be large enough numbers at the U19 level for two U19A teams.</p>		
7.	<p>New Business</p> <p><u>7.1</u> – (Year End Tournaments/Provincials Debrief 2016). Covered under President’s Remarks.</p> <p><u>7.2</u> – (AGM – Policy Review and Motion Submissions). Covered under Sub-Committee Updates.</p> <p><u>7.3</u> – (Set Dates for 2016-2017 Board Planning Day and President’s Meeting). President will review Doodle poll results again and set a date in consultation with the Executive Director.</p>	Set Date for Presidents Planning Meeting (JT)	
8.	<p>Roundtable</p> <p>None.</p>		
9.	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>Next meeting will be April 12th at 6:30PM at SNS.</p>		
10.	<p>Adjournment @ 9:12pm</p> <p>Moved: MP</p>		

Next Meeting

April 12th at 6:30PM – Sport Nova Scotia – Classroom.