



Lethbridge Lacrosse Association
MINUTES
October 18, 2006

Present: Taunya Garant, John Eng, Tim Driscoll, Emre Varro, Dan Windle, Cindy Garant (represented by husband)

1.0 Call to Order

The October 18, 2006 meeting of the Lethbridge Lacrosse Association Annual General Meeting was called to order by John Eng, President at 7:33 p.m.

2.0 President's Report

- John recapped the history of LLA which was in a handout for all attendees.
- He talked about the possibility of Nanton coming on board in 2007 and we may need to donate some referees to help them get started.
- There is the possibility of one more junior team in 2007. John talked about possibly having fewer players on the junior B team and having two C teams and the B team can call players up if they need extras.

3.0 Treasurer's Report

- Imre Varro reported that at fiscal year end, Sep 30/06, the Association has \$19,305 and \$0. liabilities. Last year at this time, we had \$20,800. Imre had a detailed report for those attendees wanting to see it.
- Projected increase in fees (which is slight) – i.e. floor time going up which is minimal
- Talked about having a plan to always have a specific \$\$ in reserve – This will be discussed at a Board meeting.
- Financial review needed for two new Board members – Mark Stewart and Theresa Mead.

Motion carried – Duane Goldie and seconded by Tim Driscoll

4.0 Executive Director Position:

- A new position was created, Executive Director, and Taunya Garant has accepted this position. Taunya signed a 3-year contract but resigned as Director before she accepted this position.

5.0 Election of New Officers:

- President – Tim Driscoll – motion by Bernie Williams, seconded by Taunya Garant, by acclamation
- Vice President – Mike Peta – remaining from last year
- Vice President (2-yr term) – Mark Stewart - motion by Tim Driscoll, seconded by Imre Varro
- Secretary (1-yr term) – Cindy Garant - motion by John Eng, seconded by Tim Driscoll
- Treasurer (2-yr term) – Imre Varro - motion by John Eng, seconded by Dan Windle
- Director (2-yr term) – Frank Zappone - motion by Duane Goldie, seconded by Cam Ellis
- Director (2-yr term) – Belinda Tomiyama - motion by John Eng, seconded by Cam Ellis
- Director (1-yr term) – Theresa Mead, motion by Taunya Garant, seconded by Tim Driscoll
- Director (1-yr term) – Cam Ellis – motion by Duane Goldie, seconded by Dan Windle

Appointed Positions – special thanks to Duane Goldie for the referee co-ordinating that he did. John presented him with a certificate.

6.0 Proposed By Law Change:

- Proposal to change Bylaw Meetings 4.0 to read

7.0 What's Happening at LLAX?

7.1 Provincials Application/Provincials Committee

- We have put our application in for 2 sets of provincials – Dates are either July 6 to 8 or July 13 to 15, 2007 for a two year period. We have volunteered to host the 2008 provincials for Central Alberta's second year term.
- This will help the economy in Lethbridge and surround area and hopefully increase participation in lacrosse.

- Possibility of changing the way play offs are currently run to leaving the standings as they are at the end of the season with the winners going directly to provincials i.e. no playoffs.

7.2 Shiny/Masters/Family Program

- Have secured times at Soccer Centre on Sundays from 9 to 11 for shinnies and 8:30 pm for masters. On the first Sunday we had 6 kids in first session and 12 in the second. Checking to see if we can get better times for Soccer Centre.
- Looking in co-ed masters in the new year which will be held in a school gym if we can't get the Soccer Centre.

7.3 Intro Shiny Dates for New Year

- We'll schedule for sometime in the new year

7.4 Registration Fees 2007

- Parents complained that they had to write too many cheques last year so some fees will be built into the registration fees such as Floorbusters tournament, administration fees (\$20), shorts (if they are needed). Tyke - \$130 (no shorts), Novice - \$210, Pee Wee to Midget - \$255.
- Registration forms will be available in January to current members which is earlier than last year.
- Hopefully the season will start one week earlier than last year.

7.5 Proposed Travel Team – BN & MG

- Tried to do this last year but we weren't successful but we'll try again this year.
- We have talked to several teams in our division about having exhibition games so hopefully it will work in 2007 – Taunya is working on this.
- Games will have to be on Sundays or we could possibly move some Lethbridge games to weekdays
- Focus is regular teams, not travel team.
- There will be a spot on the registration form if you are interested in this team
- There may be try outs for this team.

7.6 Floorbusters Committee Meeting : Oct 24, 2006 at Green Acres at 7:30 pm

- Anyone interested in helping with the tournament, please attend this meeting.

7.7 New Email

- New email address is lethbridgelacrosse@shaw.ca

7.8 New Website

- New website is www.lethbridgelacrosse.com
- Many new features including buy n sell
- Old site will automatically be transferred to new site

8.0 Comments/Questions

- Theresa Mead asked if we were using the Sobeys coupons again this year. This is being looked in to.
- Talked about the process of affiliated players having worked better this year.
- Talked about coaches having a meeting at the beginning of the season so they have all the information they need (i.e. coaches packages). Apparently this was the first year there was not a coaches meeting. They will schedule for 2007 season.
- Question of whether or not the juniors were part of LLA. They are for the governance. Their fund raising and registration is separate.
- Discussion about the Thunderhawk players not having a good experience last year and the league not being organized for this particular team i.e. no coach, the league getting the name wrong, etc.

9.0 Next date for Board Meeting (for elected members) is Nov 16, 2006 at Green Acres at 7:30 p.m.

10.0 Early Registration (cheque or exact cash only) – no discount this year for pre registration

The meeting was **ADJOURNED ON MOTION** by **John Eng** at 9:00 pm.

Tim Driscoll, President

Cindy Garant, Secretary