

**Rocky Mountain Lacrosse League
AGM November 24, 2007
Red Deer Lodge – Red Deer**

Meeting called to order at 9:25 a.m.

Roll call of member directors taken

A.J. Jomha motioned to approve minutes from the 2007 AGM, 2nd by R.J. Jomha – approved.

No Business arising from minutes

Bill Sucha motioned to approve the agenda for the 2008 AGM, 2nd by A.J. Jomha – approved.

Reports from Executive and Commissioners were given – attached.

Financial Report and Reviewers report – attached.

Minto Cup Presentation – Lori Pesowski – 2008 Minto Cup Chairman (Jr. A Mountaineers) gave members a video presentation. The Budget is \$194,000.00 with 80% from Gate Sales. A main key will be promoting within the lacrosse communities. Looking for Sponsorship. Will be looking at the 2 Pro teams (Roughnecks, Rush) for possible help. There are 6 National Events taking place in Alberta in 2008. Posters will be distributed; will provide inserts to be inserted in registration packages. There are many opportunities to volunteer and are asking anyone who is interested to please contact Lori. The website will be up and running, so please keep an eye for this.

Masters Lacrosse – Al Liddair – Not present

RMLL Website – Rhonda stated that she had just started looking into a new website. Have had preliminary talks with John Kilbride (New Prodigy Marketing Group). Will also be looking at others for quotes as well. Question was raised if an increase in fees will be needed to get a new website up and running. It was explained that if this was the case then this would be given to the membership to vote on. As for the decision regarding a new website – Bylaw 4 gives the executive power to expend funds, but the executive states that we will look at the membership for possible feedback.

Intermediate Lacrosse – It was explained to all that a motion was brought forward at the ALA AGM for Intermediate Lacrosse. The motion was defeated, but a Retention Committee has been struck and have been given an mandate. 3 RMLL Reps are on this 10 person committee.

ALA Fees – The 2008 Registration Fee has been raised \$10.00/player in and a \$9.00 for all bench personnel. When the ALA was asked about this the members were told that an increase does not need membership approval. Motion by Lee Brown, 2nd by Steve Howard to take 2 questions to the ALA for a response. 1st – Why the increase was not put to a vote. 2nd – What is the increase being spent on. Vote was taken. Approved.

CLA Info – The CLA AGM was held in Edmonton.

President's and Founder's Cup are now on a rotation basis. The Sr. B and Jr. B Championships shall alternate between East (Ontario Eastward) and West (Manitoba Westward) regions. In Jr. B, East in even numbered years and West the odd years. In Sr. B East in odd numbered years and West in even numbered years. This is provided that there is a bid which satisfies the criteria for hosting a National Championship. In the event that there is more than one MA/AMA in the East or West, as the case maybe, tendering a bid which satisfies the minimum criteria, and if any of tendering MA's/AMA's have not hosted the Championship since the other tendering MA/AMA, then only those MA's/AMA's are eligible to be selected to host the Championship.

Sanction fee for President's and Founder's Cup – Sanction fee has been increased from \$1,000.00 to \$2,500.00

Goaltending Equipment – Effective 2011 Goaltending equipment sizing will change with #3 sizing. Chest/Arm pads – all dimensions to decrease by 1". Pants – decreased by 0.5. Shin Guards – no change to the upper shin guard size and knee cap, but below knee will need to taper from 9" to 6" at ankle. A.J. stated that the equipment manufacturers will be given this info and suggested everyone be careful if buying equipment now as in 2011 it will not be acceptable. Masters Lacrosse – Effective for the 2008 season, there will be Junior Masters (22-34).

CLA Participant Fee – The CLA participant fee of \$2.00 which is paid out off the ALA membership fee will increase to \$3.00 in 2009 and \$4.00 in 2010.

ILA Rating – The ILA rating has been changed from a 2 to 3.

Game Forfeitures – Question was raised on how it is determined what the fine/cost of forfeiture is. Red Deer Rage was fined for the last game against the Miners and asked for an itemized list of the costs and they never received. It was explained that there is no guideline for the Commissioners to follow. Under the RMLL Regulations there is a fine of \$250.00 for each forfeiture and then any costs incurred by the home team are submitted and then the Commissioner goes through them. The cost of the floor and referees and costs that have to be covered. It was suggested that instead of this, that each forfeiture is looked at a case by case or a possible flat rate or an attempt to reschedule. Rob Petz motioned that each division handles their own process on forfeitures. 2nd by Harold Albrecht. Motion carried.

Elections:

- a) President – A.J. nominated Duane Bratt, 2nd by Tom Engel. Tom motioned that the nomination process be closed. 2nd by John Tyrell. Nominations closed. Duane Bratt acclaimed.
- b) Executive Director – A.J. nominated Rhonda Crowell, 2nd by Rob Petz. Tom motioned that the nomination process be closed. 2nd by Harold Albrecht. Nominations closed. Rhonda Crowell acclaimed.

Breakout Division Meetings took place – minutes attached.

Main meeting re-adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Overview of each breakout meeting was given

No New Business

Motion by Bill Sucha to adjourn meeting, 2nd by Shauna Sterpam. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.