

RMLL Senior C Agenda
RMLL Planning Meeting

Delta Calgary South - Rundle Room
November 12, 2016 - 9:00am

Attendees: John & Dan (Warriors, Wayne, Dave & Riley (Irish), Shayne (Rage), Lucas (Chiefs), Chris (Silverbacks), Tyler & Leon (Erratic), Gene (Mohawks), Tracey Haining (Commissioner)

1. **Call to order** – the meeting was called to order at 9:04am
2. **Introductions** – teams introduced themselves to each other
3. **Additions to the Agenda** – no additions were made to the agenda
4. **Approval of 2017 Planning Meeting Agenda** – approved as circulated (Dan/Gene/all)
5. **Approval of 2016 Planning Meeting Minutes** – approved as circulated (Dan/Shayne/all)
6. **Commissioner Election** – Tracey Haining by acclamation
7. **New Team Applications**
 - a. **Blackfalds Silverbacks** – approved (Dan/Dave/all)

8. Business Arising from 2016 Meeting Minutes

a. Warriors – Defaults/games not played as scheduled

- Much discussion occurred regarding the Warriors future participation with the Senior C division. The division felt that the Warriors team had failed to meet the hopes discussed in the 2016 Planning Meeting minutes.
- Concerns are that the team is in bad standing, has not played games as scheduled by the RMLL, does not function cooperatively with members of the division. The biggest concern expressed is their refusal to travel to Grande Prairie to play the Chiefs
- The team was approved to have additional affiliates per game. They were allowed to have up to 8 affiliates. Tracey stressed that this was only used once throughout the season. The division unanimously stated that other teams could have benefited from this request and felt that moving forward no teams should be given a permission to increase the number of affiliates they can utilize in a game.
- The division voted unanimously to proceed with expelling the Warriors from the division
- The RMLL Executive Director (Christine Thielen) and VP (Duane Bratt) were brought into the meeting to advise the division how best to proceed. A division meeting to further discuss the Warriors membership has been set for December 14, 2017 at 7pm. All teams, including the Warriors were verbally notified. With written notification being sent to same no later than end of day Monday, November 14 by Tracey Haining.

Clarification of a forfeit, default, postponement and a rescheduled game –

Tracey explained the difference between a forfeit, default, postponement and a rescheduled game; how it affects a team financially, points/standings and the players 4 game rule based on the regulations. Tracey stressed that she is not in a habit of

approving of rescheduling games and the likelihood of her approving a request was slim to none.

- b. **ALA Funding Requests** – Tracey circulated the ALA Funding Policy to the division. She explained that she plans to submit a funding request to assist with coverage of referee mileage and per diem for the 2018 season. She was prepared to submit for the 2017 season, however, missed the deadline and was refused an deadline extension by the ALA

9. Division Concerns:

- a. North – division concerns were covered in item 8.A
- b. South – division concerns were covered in item 8.A

10. **2017 Schedule Timeline** – covered in 2017 Senior C Division Scheduling Constraints & Timelines

11. Post Season

- a. **Play Offs** - covered in 2017 Senior C Division Scheduling Constraints & Timelines
- b. **Provincials** - covered in 2017 Senior C Division Scheduling Constraints & Timelines

12. New Business

a. **Vermillion Rage – Pre-Season Tournament**

- March 30 – April 2
- Shayne requested division feedback on game length, format, etc.
- Several teams have verbally committed to the tournament

- b. **Message to Graduating Juniors from Senior C Division** – teams would like to reach out to graduating juniors themselves. Tracey will recirculate the list of graduating juniors to the division. Christine is working on a list of former RMLL registered players who have aged out of juniors but not participated in the last few years. Once the list has been compiled it will be circulated to the division.

13. RMLL Planning Meeting Outcomes (Tier III to join at 2:30pm)

- **Player suspensions and fines** – players are able to participate once they have served their suspensions – it is the team that is being fined for the players actions and will be dealt with as per the regulations
- **Affiliations** (regular season/playoffs/provincials/to Senior B) – teams may affiliate 4 players (during play offs and provincials this may increase to include an additional goalie) Senior C can no longer affiliate Masters players.
- **Registration of Players** – reminder of deadline and Tracey will provide reminders for the teams when the deadline is approaching
- **ALA AGM – Voting Proxies** – Amanda Thielen has proxy forms – if you have not already done so
- **Engaging Minor Players/Clubs/Teams** – if you are engaging the minor players/teams/clubs let Duane Bratt know and he will tweet it on the RMLL twitter feed

- **ALA 50th Anniversary Patch** – the ALA will have 50th Anniversary patches that teams can purchase. Ordering information will be circulated in the new year
- **Coaches Locker** – If you are comp intro certified remember to mark your coaching for the 2016 season - you need 20 points over 5 years to maintain your certification
- **Super coaching & Uber Clinic** – Okotoks March 31 to April 2 – the ALA will cover hotel costs for coaches living in Red Deer north to attend. Registration costs @200 if you are comp intro trained & \$150 for the info only – it counts as 3 points in coaches locker
- **National Lacrosse Day** (weekend) – June 16-18 – several centres are highlighting games – let Christine know if you'd like to be included
- **2018 Franchise Fee** (yes, 2018) & ALA Player and bench staff fees – reminder that franchise fees will increase to \$800 for the 2018 season & that ALA fees will increase by \$3/role for the next several years. Tracey will recirculate the budge calculator for the divisions
- **Electronic Game Sheets** – Kevin presented a quick how-to on electronic game sheets – Tracey will confirm if the Senior C & Tier III division are included in the roll out

14. **Adjournment** – the meeting was adjourned at 15:33