



**Junior B Tier II Planning Meeting
Delta South Edmonton
Saturday, November 2, 2013 from 9:45am till 4:00pm
Edmonton Delta South - Empire Room
Minutes**

1. Introductions

Wranglers, Wainwright, Red Deer, Lacoka, Strathmore, Okotoks, Lakeland, Vermilion, Lethbridge, Innisfail, Westlock, Wizards, Fort Sask, Sherwood Park (Teams Excused) Kitscoty, Med Hat, Warriors (Teams Missing) Blues, Axemen Rockies

**2. Call to Order, Agenda and Approval of the 2012 minutes
Call to Order at 9:10am. 20123 minutes Approved**

3. Election

4. Review of 2013 Season

- Review of 2013 Stats and Penalties
- Opportunities for Improvement

5. Expansion

- Potential Number of Teams for 2014 Season

Stony Plain Posse has submitted a new team request which the Division approved just waiting for the RMLL executive to approve for the 2014 season. If approved then Tier II will have 20 teams for the 2014 season 11 teams in the North and 9 teams in the South

- Any teams that don't know if they will field a team for the 2014 season

All teams present said that they will be fielding a team for the 2014 season

6. Equipment

- Mask and helmet must be both CSA approved

Had discussions regarding the new face mask and they will still be mandatory.

There is supposed to be a new approved mask coming which I will forward any info onto teams

- Making sure the Nets are all in good order before the season starts home teams responsibility
- Jerseys each team must have a dark and white set

No exceptions as ALL teams need to have 2 sets of Jerseys

7. Safety

- All teams should have an Emergency Action Plan (make sure nothing has changed from last season)

Discussed about keeping updated and maybe give a copy to visiting teams.

- Good floor conditions. Had issues with the temps outside and slippery floors
- Access to mops or have towels for floors (Home Teams Responsibility)
- Injury report forms

On line on the RMLL website

8. Scheduling

- Playoffs and Provincials (I recommend a best out of three series higher seeded team will be the home team)

For the schedules the higher seeded team will be the Home Team. If there is any travel then all games need to be played on Friday, Saturday and/or Sunday if that is the case then there will be one (1) game on Saturday and Two games (2) on Sunday (if needed). If there is NO Travel then the Playoff games can start on a Wednesday night as long as both teams agree. All games need to be completed by their end date. All teams need to secure their floor time and arena before the END of the season

- Provincials will be held in the South for the 2014 Season
- Game starts 9pm on weekdays for some arenas
- Each Team needs to have a back up arena and it needs to be given to Christine

Regarding the Schedule for Regular season and for Playoff's was voted on and approved by all teams in attendance. A motion was made to not Change the Playoff schedule that what was put in place at The AGM would not be changed. (See attached copy for playoff schedule format)

9. Tier II Fines and Suspensions

- Have the Coaches send in their outlook of the situation
- The Commissioner needs contact numbers for all Head Coaches to talk to regarding players Suspension and/or fines

Needs to be updated before the season starts

- Underage Drinking at games with the Team and/or Bench personal also in the Stands. Following the CLA procedure and it will not be tolerated fine and/or suspension

Discussed and all teams agree

- Music Reg and non compliance fine

No Music during game play. Music only allowed during warm-up, intermission and the end of the game

- 5 game incident Reg

This Reg has been changed if a player receives 5 GM in one season then that player will be suspended for Two (2) games and could also be sent to Discipline as well. The other Change is the GM a player gets when they are given two major penalties will not be counted as one of the GM applied to the 5gm rule. Ex: a player gets into a fight and that player get 5 min fighting and a GM, 5 Inst and a GM as well as a GM for 2 major penalties in one game(this will not count towards the 5 GM rule)

10. Coaches/ Bench Personal

- All bench personal needs to have the proper certification (even trainers) Have extra people available with these credentials
- All coaches certificates numbers needs to be Entered into the RMLL System at the beginning of the season or when completed by the end of the season
- Proper Referee evaluation form needs to be filled out and sent in with the game sheet. Sent in missing about 30%. Started good at the beginning of the year

Teams brought up that they would like to see where the info is being used. As soon as i get feedback I will forward onto the division

- If the Visiting team takes the Referee form with them it is now there responsibility to scan and send it in

- Why are so many Tier II coaches not taking the NCCP/Coaching Clinics
- Bench personal who have not attended any clinic will not be allowed on the bench(date of when the coaches are booked is needed for the 2014 season)
- All Bench personal needs to be responsible and respectful before/after and during the game to Referees, Parents and all players even people working the penalty box doing shot clock or time keeper
- Coaches and Club being held responsible for their players and fans

11. **Coach and Player development**

- Getting players ready for Higher Tiers and encouraging players to play and/or trying out for Higher Tiers
- Communication with all midget players to let them know that there is lacrosse after Midget
- Junior Combines: South January 25, 2014 and North February 1, 2014
- Coaching clinics and Super Coaching Clinic Held in the South and maybe the north(Dates TBA)
- Forzani's Mother Day Run: Volunteers?
- Handshakes after the game

12. **Rosters**

- 25 person roster no over/under aged players unless approved
- Player info needs to be added before the teams first game if not then the player will be an illegal player and the team/coach is subjected to fines and a loss of the game

13. **Promotion**

- How to get people to know about the sport and teams
- Graduating Midget North/South Communication and Dates
- Graduating Junior Communication moving to the Senior Level
- New Coach Acquisition
- New Referee Acquisition

14. **CLA/ALA/RMLL Timelines**

- All time lines need to be followed i.e. Game sheets, Referee evaluation forms and player information RMLL Roster page
- All information needs to be entered before season starts (including exhibition games)

- All players who need to be taken off your roster needs to contact Christine and also let the Commissioner know as well
15. **Boundaries**
 16. **Website**
 - Live score updates after/during the games. Mandatory for the 2014 season
 - Updated after each game (Home Teams Responsibility)
 17. **ALRA**
 - Tier II Specific Assigning Criteria
 18. **Off Floor Officials**
 - Dedicated group of individuals
 - Meet with Referees Room 20 minutes prior to game start for instructions
 19. **Other Business?**
 - Updated rules and regulations and Bylaws have been put in place please make sure all clubs and bench personal have read and understand them.

The Tier II Division has come up with a pilot plan for the 2014 season in regards to the amount of penalty minutes that teams and players that received during the 2013 season.

Any team who receives more than 650 penalty minutes in the regular season will receive a \$250.00 dollar fine.

Any team who receives more than 750 penalty minutes in the regular season shall be sent to the RMLL executive for a franchise review.

Any Individual player who receives 100 penalty minutes in the regular season shall receive a 2 game suspension

Any Individual player who receives 150 penalty minutes in the regular season shall receive a 3 game suspension will be sent to Discipline

Any player who receives a GM in the last 10 minutes of the game shall be given a 1 game suspension

This Pilot will be reviewed at the 2014 AGM.