



MINUTES OF ALBERTA JUNIOR A AGM BREAK-OUT NOVEMBER 5, 2011

RADISSON HOTEL EDMONTON.

PRESENT: AJ Jomha, Rioth Jomha, Dave Fehr, Christina Fehr, Bruce Codd, Jennifer Pollock, Rick Windl, Laurie Houghton, Steve Turvey, Greg Lintz

Sitting in for parts of meeting: Greg Hart, Rob Davidge, Bill Sucha, Ken Steubing, Scott Kinnear. Amanda Thielen. Kevin (Sportszsoft).

- 1. Moved by _____, seconded by Rick Windl, that Greg Lintz be confirmed as commissioner for one year. Passed. 4-0.**
- 2. Jennifer Pollock moved that the Junior A Division support her AGM Notice of Motion which would amend RMLL By-law 9.05.3 m) whereby a division commissioner could, with division approval enter into discussions of a Canadian Junior A Lacrosse league. Seconded by AJ.**

Motion Defeated 3-1.

- 3. RJ Jomha moved, seconded by Rick Windl, that we give the Junior A Commissioner the mandate to attend meetings discussing the Junior A Canada-wide lacrosse league. Any costs of attending are to be pre-approved by the council. No decision is to be made on behalf of the Junior A Council without first obtaining the approval of a majority of the members. The Commissioner is to report back to the members on a timely basis.**

Motion Passed 4-0

- 4. It was agreed that there would be a pre-draft in person meeting likely in Red Deer.**
- 5. It was agreed to hold the pre-season "prospects" tournament.**
- 6. Discussion of Friday night games during regular season and midweek during playoffs. Start time would have to be later due to work commitments. Games should only be scheduled for Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. One or two Friday night games in other city. In any case, no team should have to travel mid-week twice in a season.**

AJ will draft a proposal.

7. Discussion on Junior B coaches "tampering" and threatening/convincing players to remain in Junior B when they should move up to A. B rosters carrying 28 or more players. Sutherland's long-standing tactics and how to deal with them. Not much support for RMLL proposed regulation where by a fourth year junior offered a junior A card either accepts or cannot play B1 anymore. Instead, the Junior A division favours a system whereby there will be three week period in the spring when the B1 Coaches cannot have contact with the players on a Junior A protected list.

It was agreed that The Junior A's would ask the RMLL instead for a regulation whereby from the third Saturday in March until the second Sunday in April the Junior B 1 teams could have no contact with a player on a Junior A teams 50 man protected list including practices or any other lacrosse event. Contact of any kind during this period would be considered tampering subject to discipline.

Lintz went to B1 Breakout and presented the proposal. Unsurprisingly, not supported.

Other ideas discussed during this portion of the meeting: pay to play; recruiting, highlight reels, team promotion, one on one contact, team promotion, respect for the draft process, draft day events, draft on Twitter, re-visiting the combine, review of high numbers of midget graduates (168-CDLA; 156-GELC; 74-Red Deer)

8. Discussion of seeking amendments to Minto Contract or CLA Policy allowing us to have 5 protected players rather than two, and allowing us to pick up 2-3 players from another team. As a type two province as with seniors.

9. Ken Stuebing and Scott Kinnear made a presentation on behalf of the Manitoba Gryphons lacrosse program advising of their intention to apply for membership in our league for the 2014 season. They presented club history, background, financial viability, home arena and other details that will form the basis of the application.

10. Amanda and Scott attended to talk about inputting on the web site.

11. Greg Hart attended to discuss refereeing.

12. Discussion of scheduling with seniors voting to end inter-lock. To be discussed further.

Other items on agenda tabled to January League meeting.