

**WEST FERRIS RINGETTE ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF MEETING**

**April 6, 2021 at 6:30pm
Zoom meeting, North Bay, ON**

Name	Position	Attended	Regrets	Name	Position	Attended	Regrets
Erin Johns	President	x		Shannah Smales	Equipment Director		x
Carrie Read	Past President		x	Lori King	Web Director		
Leslie King	Vice President	x					
Mark Webster	Treasurer	x		Stephen Hamilton /Jeff Graham	Referee-in-Chief	x-Stephen	
Marc Desroches	Ice Director	x		Brennain Lloyd	Publicity Director	x	
Lee Ann Truax	Registrar	x		Meaghan Spykerman	Technical Director	x	
Lorrie Nolan	House League Director	x		Pam Voght	Sponsorship Director	x	
Kelli Van Buskirk	Rep Director			Niko Gregorin	Tournament Director		x
Trina Palmieri	Secretary	x					
Claire Periard	Ways & Means Director		x				

Call to Order: 6:33pm

Agenda Item	Key Points of Discussion	Action	Status – Contact Person
Additions & Adoption of Agenda	<p>--Minutes from March 2021 meeting were reviewed and approved. The minutes will be posted on the website as reviewed and approved.</p> <p>-addition to agenda-discuss logistics for the AGM</p>	<p>Motion: “To approve the minutes from March 2021 meeting.” Motioned by Brennain and seconded by Mark Webster. All in favour. Carried.</p> <p>Motion: “To adopt today’s agenda and updates.” Motioned by Stephen, seconded by Pam. All in favour. Carried.</p> <p>Action: Trina will send Lori minutes to post on our WFRA website.</p>	
Action Items from Previous meeting	<p>a) Discuss awards-can we do something different this year and recognize volunteers or volunteers as a whole-highlight special things that were done -perhaps look at incorporate into AGM and set of slides on different groups/categories that can be thanked at outset of meeting-thank parents and players for patience and understanding.</p>	<p>Action: Update from Erin and Marc to organize awards week for WFRA groups.</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -acknowledge players for hard work, team spirit and great attitude-to get feedback from coaches -ideas to have an awards week virtually-get players excited for announcement on Facebook-spotlight different players and groups in the WFRA -Erin and Marc will organize and ask coaching staff for feedback on players <p>b) Discuss player engagement-option to offer some ringette activities outdoors; will need to look at what is allowed in the coming months</p>	<p>Action: Continue discussion on ringette activities to keep players engaged.</p>	
Business Arising	<p>a) Return to Ringette Committee</p> <p>-no update from this Committee since no return to ringette for our Association.</p>		
President's Report	<p>Update from President:</p> <p>a) WFRA billboard is in peril and falling apart. Mark will ask Tania about whether Ringette Ontario is invoiced for this sign of is WFRA? Can call Price Signs for further information on payment.</p> <p>-Shannah has master keys. Erin will go to arena to check for bills.</p> <p>b) Elite Development program updates from Ringette Ontario. Typically we have NER team for AAA, but this year RO will develop 6 AAA teams-not regionally based, along with 5 development teams-concerns that Northeast will be under represented and displaced</p> <p>-Terry has been involved in this planning to ensure that NER is recognized.</p> <p>c) Erin and Stephen will be meeting with Tyler over the next month. Update from Stephen on University ringette and structure of player recruitment.</p>	<p>Action: Leslie will call Price Signs about invoice for WFRA sign on Hwy 17 and provide follow up at next meeting.</p> <p>Action: Erin will follow-up Terry about Elite Development program.</p>	
Vice President's Report	Nothing to report.		
Treasurer's Report	<p>a) Update on WFRA financials:</p> <p>-reconciling accounts and providing refunds to those who have requested-approx 20-30 player refunds requested.</p>		
Publicity Director	-Nothing to report.		
Ice Director Report	No news from the City.		
Registrar	<p>-RAMP has specific timelines for registration and Kelli will send Lee Ann information on new season registration.</p> <p>-should we be revisiting our registration fees?-can review this next year again, but best</p>		

	to keep fees as they are for next season and stay competitive -Mark and Tania will take care of issuing credits against new registrations.		
House League Director's Report	-review House League policy and updates made together as a group-Brennain will send to Lori to update the website -2 gym ringette sets with Stephen and he will return to Shawnah -will review forms received from Nipissing regarding volunteer programs and apply		
Rep Director's Report	-RO has been reviewing A team structure and awaiting framework after recommendations from advisory committee, G&T, coaches and level 4 officials -Kelli and Meaghan will be reviewing competitive structure with B/C teams -will put a call out for coaches for rep teams over the next month		
Ways and Means Director's Report	-Bingo hall is now closed again. We were able to schedule 2 Bingos after recent reopening.		
Equipment Director	Nothing to report.		
Web Director's Report	Nothing to report.		
Referee in Chief	Nothing to report.		
Technical Director	Nothing to report		
Sponsorship Director	-Changes to Shriners sponsorship-they want to have new jerseys each year and U10/12 division. Mark reported we are not losing money with Shriners jerseys and that we are credited by Kings.		
Tournament Director's Report	Nothing to report.		
New Business	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nominations for 2021 Executive -bylaw amendments and nominations due by April 21, but nominations by 2 people can still be accepted up until the AGM -nominations committee needs to identify gaps and don't want surprises -as a current Executive member, if you are planning on returning, then please complete nomination form by April 13 2. AGM updates -discussion on whether to use Zoom meeting platform or the Zoom webinar platform for our AGM-have decided to use Zoom webinar platform since more control and security; no pre-registration for meeting required -request to have Board members send their year end report to Brennain by 	Action: Board members to complete nomination form by April 13 if interested in continuing with Executive.	

	May 1-she will send a pdf of last year's slides as a reference		
Adjournment: Next meeting:	Adjourned at 8:03pm. Next meeting: May 18, 2021 at 6:30 pm via Zoom	There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 pm. All in favour.	