

RMLL Senior C
RMLL Planning Meeting Minutes

November 16, 2019

Cambridge Hotel & Conference Centre – Red Deer, Alberta
San Remo Room

Attendees: Collin Lampard (Silverbacks), Rod Pruden (Warriors), Ryan Luedtke (Rage), Leon Perrier & Chris Pulak (Erratic), Andy Sweetman (Stingers), Kris Melhus & Rod Quinn (Mohawks), Steven Cohoe & Dan Everson (Bears), Riley Damien (Irish), Tom Engel (Miners), Tracey Haining (Commissioner)

1. **Call** to order – 09:15
2. **Introductions** – team reps introduced themselves to each other
3. **Additions** to the Agenda The agenda was approved with additions: Fines (12B) & Commissioner Nominations/Elections (12C)
4. **Approval** of 2020 Planning Meeting Agenda – the agenda was approved with the additions noted above – Moved by Leon/Seconded by Riley
5. **Approval** of 2019 Planning Meeting Minutes – Approved with the correction of changing the title to MINUTES – Moved by Riley/Seconded by Leon
6. **Commissioner** Election
 - Rod Pruden was nominated by Tom Engels – Rod accepted the nomination
 - Tracey Haining allowed her name to stand
 - Tom moved to close nominations/Seconded by Andy
 - John Tyrrell led the voting process
 - Tracey was elected commissioner
 - Tom motioned to destroy voting ballots/Seconded by Andy
7. **New** Team Applications
 - a. Calgary Bears
 - After application review and discussion Tom moved that the Calgary Bears be accepted into the division/Seconded by Rod P – carried unanimously
8. **Business** Arising from 2019 Meeting Minutes
9. **Division** Concerns:
 - a. North
 - Warriors – more competition in the crossover
 - Silverbacks – scheduling was difficult due to Easter being so late in April
 - Miners – difficult to fill roster for the Crossover weekend due to so many of their players being minor coaches
 - Rage – no concerns expressed
 - b. South

- Irish – would like to see their games staggered more throughout the season
- Mohawks – equal number of games between the north and south division
- Stingers – no concerns
- Erratic – no concerns

10. **2020** Schedule Timeline

- Start date – April 18
- End date – July 11
- Non-Playing weekends – May long weekend
- Days of play (Mon/Tue/Fri/Sat/Sun)
- Number of games in the season – 14 regular season + 2 crossover games
- Crossover Weekend – June 6 & 7 in Olds
 - Given the uneven number of teams two games is the max for the weekend
 - Rod P to at floor time for a second crossover weekend in 2021
- Division & Team Constraints
 - Division constraints submitted by commissioner – due November 30
 - Team constraints input in the Sportzsoft by each team – due January 15

11. **Post** Season

- Play** Offs
 - July 18 & 19
 - 1 vs 2 in each division (North & South)
 - Hosted by 1st place – cost split evenly between both teams
- Post-Play** Offs
 - Provincials or RMLL Divisional Championships
 - ALA Provincials to be held July 25 & 26
 - Hosted by 1st in league
 - Both gold and silver medals have been requested by the division

12. **New** Business

a. Tournaments

- Glen (Moose) Scott Invitational
 - Airdrie Mohawks to host the Glen (Moose) Scott Invitational Tournament – August 7, 8 & 9, 2020
 - 15 team max – expecting 8-11 out of province teams
 - Fee approx. \$1200 with a commitment deposit of \$800 due June 1
 - RMLL contributing \$1000 towards floor time
 - Draw for interested Alberta teams to be determined at a later date

b. Fines

- The Miners and Warriors felt that they, and the division as a whole have higher than normal administrative fines placed on them
 - Tracey was to discuss with the board 'the fines levied to Sr C compared to each other division and what the BOD thinks of that?
 - Tom questioned the reason for the fines
 - Tracey explained to the division that each January when they complete their franchise certificates, they are agreeing to the regulations created by the RMLL. That no administrative fines are issued without the team being given the opportunity to prevent them. Example – numerous reminders being sent looking for missing game sheets or referee evaluations
 - Rod spoke for the Warriors. Hi opening remark was a colourful hand gesture citing that the team had been fined \$500 for incorrectly spelling a players last name.
 - It was explained by Tracey that the team had been on notice for incorrect game sheets for three seasons: misspelled names, missing coaches, game number and failing to submit nearly every home game sheet without repeated nagging. The name the player was given was the same name as a former Warriors tier I player who was coached by Mr Pruden. That we could not identify which player Mike Wilson or Mike Williams actually participated in the game. Given that he was a non-impact player (no goals or penalties) only a fine was issued rather than the regulatory fine and reversal of game points. This team had two game reversals in the beginning of the season for ineligible players. Commissioner did not feel it was fair to repeatedly punish these players for the fault of a couple of unorganized individuals

- c. Nominations for Commissioner Election
 - Tom suggested that the Sr C division adopt a one item operating policy
 - 'Nominations for Commissioner must be submitted to the Commissioner at least two weeks before the Division Meeting. Unless there are no nominations, there shall be no nominations from the floor of the meeting.'
- Seconded by Kris – Carried unanimously

13. **Reg** Changes, Highlights and things you should know

- a. ALA Reg Changes and Highlights
 - Fee Increase – the 2020 ALA budget includes a \$5 per player, manager, trainer, coach, etc
- b. RMLL Reg Changes – the regulation were updated to reflect the current language used by the RMLL
- c. Reg Highlights & Reminders
 - Pre & Post Game Admin Work
 - Coaching – teams were reminded of coaching standards as outlined by the ALA regulations – in-training, trained and certified (including coaches locker)
 - Trainers – once a team has secured their trainer their qualifications should be sent to the ALA for approval. A copy of the approval should be sent to the commissioner for playoffs and provincials

14. **Adjournment** – Motioned by Rod P to adjourn at 15:59/Seconded by Rod Q