

2026 Alberta Major Female Division Planning meeting

Minutes of the Meeting November 15^h, 2025 Held at Delta Calgary South

Present

Drillers, Brooke Huber
Cardinals, Dean Halrco, Pepi Supino
Riot, Dave Couchman, Jaryn Scheck
Silvertips, Robin Finley
Raiders, Don turner, Sherry Smith
Saints, Shaun Wilhelm, Sue Jobb
Titans, Harry Willis
Cougars, Alaysha Wilson
Alberta Major Female commissioner, Alex Traboulay

Call to order

- 9:05 am

Election of Commissioner

- Three calls for nominations, none presented. Alex Traboulay to remain as division commissioner by acclamation. **Carried**

Adoption of 2026 agenda

- **Motion** by Don to accept, second by Shaun. **Carried**

Acceptance of the 2025 minutes.

- **Motion** by Brooke to accept, second Shaun. **Carried.**

Business arising from the 2025 minutes.

- None

Business arising from the 2025 RMLL Exec meeting.

- ALRA game referee fees for all division are now \$90 per referee per game

- RMLL Franchise fees. No increase. Currently \$1250 (\$950 RMLL, \$200 contingency fund, \$100 NAIG)
- RAMP/ALA fees. \$87 per player, \$57 per coach, \$47 per trainer
- Provincial ALA fees. Teams participating in provincials the fee is \$1500 same as last season
- RMLL 2024/25 financials. Income was over budget. Expenses were under budget. RMLL financials are healthy.
- ALA Regulation effecting major. Regulation 5A.01 has been revised
 - **Affiliations of players on a Team Alberta roster to Major Female Lacrosse are not permitted after the player's minor Lacrosse season has ended.**
- Casino. No casino this year
- Super clinic. The 2026 RMLL Super Coaching Clinic will be held in Okotoks Rec Centre on April 10, 11, & 12
- Coaching. Due to no longer having to complete and submit a workbook, coaching goes from 4 years to 3 years for a coach to be Comp Intro Certified. All coaches need to complete the Safe Sport Module.
- RAMP changes. Players male and female will now be required to enter 'gender identification' when registering in RAMP. RAMP registration should be open December 1st, 2025.
- Games sheets/ Ref reports.
ALA and RMLL have moved to electronic/online game sheets for the 2026 season. Upgrades to Sportzsoft are being made.
Do not have to scan and send in game sheets. You can still use paper game sheets but all stats are entered online through the app.
Ref reports are also moving to an online app. The app should be ready for the 2026 season.

Warriors new team application.

- Darryl Mackinnon, head coach and Mike Baker Warriors president presented the Warriors new team application. Discussions and questions followed. After the Warriors reps left, discussions continued for almost three hours looking into different ways to accept the new team. But in the end the division denied the application. The biggest concern was availability of players to support ALL teams in

the North. Additional concerns; arena availability at Meadows, there are two other teams that need players and are welcome to play for. No female coach on application and player sustainability long term.

Referees

- David and Jack from the ALRA joined our meeting to discuss things that went well and things that did not and the plans moving forward for the 2026 season. David apologized to the division, the ALRA messed up game assignments. They did not realize how talented female lacrosse has become and under qualified refs were used too many times. But changes have been made to fix that. Over all it was a very positive meeting.
Our division will not see the 3 man mechanic in regular season games, only for provincials.

Business arising from the 2025 season

- Additional player awards. We will continue with the current most goals and most points awards and plaque. For additional end of season awards coaches/teams will select an 'all star' team to post to the website.
TASK: Alex to set up the 'all star' team selection process and distribute to the division for review and discussion.
- North boundaries. After discussion boundaries will remain as set.
- RMLL Regulations:
31.10.1.1 Review with division 25 players for provincials. After discussion the teams would like to go back to a 30 player roster for provincials.
TASK: Alex to bring to the RMLL exec for discussion. At the RMLL exec meeting on Sunday Nov. 16th Alex presented the desire to go back to a 30 player provincial roster and the request was turned down.
- June 15th roster freeze. After first season with the June 15th roster freeze, no issues.
- North hold out list. Approved Review schedule 11 in regs
- U17 info sessions. No in person info sessions.
TASK: Alex will send out welcome letters for junior and senior teams to review and send out to graduating classes.

CDLA Junior draft

- CDLA/Fury U17 draft will be hosted by the Cardinals at Hudson's bar South on February 1st, 2026

Provincials.

- Host: Cardinals
- Format: Top four teams, tournament style
- Date: July 17-19, 2026
- ALA money for opening ceremonies. \$800
- Placement of opening ceremonies. We will move the opening ceremonies to between the 1st and 2nd games on Friday evening.

Season timelines.

- Regular Season start, April 29, 2026
- Regular Season end, July 5th, 2026
- Black out dates.
 - U22 tryouts May 29 and 30
 - Super clinic, April 10,11 &12
 - Victoria May long weekend, May 15-18

Division constraints.

- No changes to division constraints

New business.

- Division discipline reps. Don Turner and Joe Machado will remain as our division discipline reps.
Don Turner. Dturner020@gmail.com. 587-437-1720
Joe Machado. joeinthefort@gmail.com 780-868-0138
- Brooke has floor on December 22nd and is inviting all players in the north to participate and also use as an U17 info session.
TASK: Brooke to contact and coordinate with North teams.
- Steaming. Teams agreed on game streaming but not sure at what level. Some companies have emailed information.
TASK: Robin has current open communication with a couple companies and will explore and distribute to the teams.

TASK: Alex will look in costs of streaming provincial championship.

- New website and RMLL logo under construction. Should be ready by mid December 2025
- Off season floor/exhibition games. Alex reviewed regulation **Reg. 9.1**. Off season floor, make sure a team event is entered in the RMLL team management system.
- Team stats/points standing. Discussion on the topic of should team win/loss points count between junior and senior games.

Motion. By Dean that points do not count between junior and senior games. Player's stats will count in all games. Second by Shaun. **Carried.**

Adjourn

Motion by Brooke to adjourn meeting at 3:30 pm, second by Alaysha. **Carried**