

## 2026 Alberta Series Lacrosse Planning Meeting Minutes

Delta South Calgary

Saturday November 15, 2025

### Attendance:

Dean Lovgren-Outlaws, Keith Berg-Knights, Jordan Wheaton-Warriors, Eric Small-Miners,  
John Kilbride-Mountaineers, Norm Shaw-Commissioner

Meeting called to order at 9:10 am by Norm Shaw

1. Agenda adopted
2. 2025 Minutes were reviewed and accepted
3. Business arising from 2025-None  
North Draft Wednesday February 4, 2026 7PM -Rebels to host in 2026  
South Draft Thursday February 5, 2026 7PM Zoom draft

Lacrosse Canada negotiation lists due by February 13, 2026

4. Video Review: The RMLL has amended their Regulation to allow Commissioners to fine/suspend players for infractions that were not on the game sheet, but captured on video from the game. Video must be submitted within 24 hours of game being played, with a \$200 fee. Final Regulation wording will be prepared before the start of the season. It was noted all teams except the Knights currently video their games.
5. Season Constraints: Start April 24, 2026 End July 12, 2026  
All travel games to be completed by last week of June-Hotels are too expensive in Calgary in July due to Stampede and south teams cannot travel north due to Stampede commitments August long weekend cannot be used for play-offs due to other tournaments, referee commitments.
6. OIC Presentation-officiating was discussed at length. Focus on face-off consistency and crease calls. Motion: ASL will implement the \$25 Crew Chief Pay on a one-year trial basis, to be reviewed at the 2027 Planning Meeting at which time another vote will be held to see if it will be renewed. M: Kilbride 2<sup>nd</sup>: Wheaton Passed unanimously
7. Presidents Cup- Commissioner was directed to get confirmation that Alberta does not lose its 2028 rotation in light of the Miners being awarded an emergency relocation of the 2026 Presidents Cup

The 2026 Presidents Cup was awarded seemingly on a sole-sourced bid by Lacrosse Canada after Saskatchewan's debacle of a team at the 2025 Presidents Cup in Oshawa.

8. Election- None, Norm Shaw acclaimed for his 9<sup>th</sup> term.

**NEW BUSINESS**

9. Provincial Championship- beginning 2026-only Gold medals will be awarded in Provincial Championship
10. South Expansion: A long discussion was held around interprovincial transfers to BC affecting Sr B in Alberta, the rapid expansion of Sr C and the appetite for players to choose Sr C over B due to less commitment.
11. Presidents Cup-**In-Camera Session**- Miners were excused for this discussion.  
Discussion was held around the process involved in re-awarding the 2026 Presidents Cup. Commissioner Shaw was advised to voice the ASL's profound displeasure to all involved regarding the bypassing of all protocols. As a two-time host, the Miners should have notified the division of the ask from LC, and RMLL procedures and bid processes should have been followed.  
Duane Bratt has been tasked by the RMLL to follow up with the ALA, and LC to find out why all processes were skipped and any possible remedies at this point.

Meeting adjourned at 12:45PM