



2026 Planning Meeting – Sat. November 15, 2026 – 9:00 AM

Calgary Delta South – Waterton Room

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda **Motion Randy, 2nd AJ carried**
3. Business Arising from 2025 Season
 - a. **Electronic game sheet**
 - b. **Jr. A web site**
 - i. **Want a stand-alone web site to match both BC and Ontario**
 - ii. **Want a hyperlink between RMLL and Jr A web site.**
4. Winnipeg Blizzard Tier Change Request Presentation – Terry Williams
 - a. **Terry presented and fielded several questions**
 - b. **Division asked Terry for more details around the Winnipeg minor system as well as the Jr. B Tier 1 program so that they could have a better view of the long term viability of the Winnipeg team in the Jr. A division.**
 - c. **Further discussion was around amending the LC rules around interprovincial transfers within the Jr. A league given it's a multi province league. I believe AJ is going to look into this?**
5. Scheduling
 - a. **Blackout Dates only day given was the August long weekend.**
 - b. **Ex Game Weekend & Schedule (Ex games to be held in May. Dates to come)**
 - i. **Mounties want to go to BC, Medicine Hat and Red Deer**
 - ii. **Raiders want to go to Red Deer and Medicine Hat**
 - iii. **Miners want to go to Red Deer, BC and Saskatchewan (Lloydminster)**
 - iv. **SWAT want to go to Medicine Hat and Saskatchewan (Lloydminster)**
 - c. **Regular Season – Sunday Start Time & SK Victoria Day Weekend Rotation**
 - i. **If possible, the division would like 1:00 start times for teams that have to travel long distances.**
 - ii. **Mounties to have the Victoria day game. There is no set rotation that they talked about?**
 - d. **Playoff Semi Round Format**
 - i. **Best of 7. If Winnipeg is accepted into the league and make the playoffs then this round will be a best of 5.**
 - e. **Playoff Final Round Format (Best of 5 or 7)**
 - i. **Final round will be a best of 5**
 - f. **Draft Schedule(s)**
 - i. **There will be 3 distinct drafts – North-South-East**
 - ii. **Duane to undertake the draft for the South teams.**

6. Game Day Operations
 - a. 2026 Broadcast Details
 - i. Mounties want to get rid of the HM Live feed and do their own thing and make it free for all viewers. They want to take control of the QC as well as support their sponsors
 - ii. AJ also offered an alternative to HMLive – CrowTV
 - b. Streaming of Playoffs
 - i. Same discussion as the regular season. The teams also wanted to get details around the cost of HMLive as well as the viewership.
7. Jr. A Commissioner Required for 2026 Season
 - a. Jr. A Commissioner Job Description
 - b. Process (Includes New Commissioner Deadline)
 - i. New commissioner chosen. Vote between Bonnie de Groot and Darryl Knight. Teams unanimously choose Darryl.
8. 2029 Minto Host Bids (December 1, 2026?)
 - a. All teams in agreement to have Minto bid in by Dec 1, 2026 to accommodate timing requirements of the SWAT. All agreed that any team could apply to host but that the date the application needed to be in by is Dec 1, 2026.
9. 2026 Minto Update
10. Jr. A New Franchise Specific Criteria (RMLL Regulations Schedule 2 & 3)
 - a. Add specific criteria for details around minor programs as well as Junior feeder programs.
11. U17 Info Sessions, Combines, Draft Date (Feb. 16), & Negotiation List Deadline
 - a. Info sessions Ed Jan 9, Cal Jan 16
 - b. Combine Feb 14
 - c. Draft Date Feb 16
 - d. Negotiation list deadline Feb 20
12. Two Discipline Committee Representatives
 - a. Al Houghton
 - b. Randy Trobak
13. Officiating - David Westwood – 1:00 PM
 - a. Issues from 2025 Season
 - b. Rule Interpretations
 - i. Crease Rules
 - c. Game Fees & “At Risk Pay” Pilot
 - i. Garnered lots of jokes. I told David to get ready for the taunt “that call will cost you 5 bucks”
 - d. Official Payment via E-Transfer
 - i. Refs will accept e-transfer if teams would prefer to handle it that way
 - e. Added discussions around a graduating player call program to suggest they try reffing.

14. RMLL Regulations

a. Roster Deadline

- i. Leave as is

b. Supplemental Discipline

- i. Submit within 24 hours, \$200 refundable fee, only suspendable offenses.

15. Season Stats

16. League Awards

a. Proposed four new awards

- i. Most inspirational (unsung hero)
- ii. Top Graduate
- iii. All rookie team (6 names – if no goalie to choose from then add a runner)
- iv. Coaching staff of the year.

17. New Business

a. None

18. Adjournment

- a. I called for a motion to adjourn however I don't remember who called it and seconded it but the vote was unanimous.