

WESTERN REGION RINGETTE
WORL "A/AA"
January 9, 2006
DORCHESTER OPTIMIST HALL

Peter Westelaken opened the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Attendance: Scott Borland, Peter Westelaken, Mary Kaiser, Keith Kaiser, Gary Ryan, Chuck Weber, Darrin Mitchell, Mike Reid, Bill Rodgers, Janet Logan, Andrew Brady, Chris Beuglet, Jerry Van De Walle, Mike Guiler, Jenna Sheppard, Donna Jones, Betty Ann Kerrigan, Michael Reid, Randy Koenig, Keith Capson, Caroline Vanderheyden, Cam Campbell, Tania Pettitt-Tracey, Kathy Walt, Paul Smith.

There was one item of new business to add to the agenda.
Provincial Champion Format for 2009

The December minutes were read and approved with the following changes.

- Junior AA prelims (much discussion on how this was to be played, It was decided the executive would meet after the meeting to make a final decision)
- Bill Rodgers didn't read the letter that was submitted to ORA on behalf of our league. It should have read the Peter Westelaken read the letter that was written and submitted to ORA on behalf of our league.
- Under important dates: AA Prelims - Junior AA played at Cambridge Tournament, not AA prelims - played at Cambridge Tournament.

Minutes were approved by St. Clements and Chatham.

1st Half of the Season:

The first half of the season went fairly well, we still have a few outstanding games that need to be played ASAP. If games are not played it will result in a \$300.00 fine.

2nd Half of Season:

Scott informed us that there are still some changes to be made to the schedule. Any changes/conflicts let Scott know ASAP (Friday January 12 final date for changes).

Scott left the month of March opened for playoff games. Still need to decide how we are going to schedule the championship games. By incorporating the playoff schedule we are trying to have meaningful games to play past prelims so teams heading to provincials have someone to play.

We had lots of discussion of what we wanted to hand out to our champion teams. Some suggestions were to use some trophies from ORA that are not being used anymore and use them for the winning teams to take a picture with. Other suggestions were to hand out a Banner to be displayed in arenas to make people more aware of ringette. It was decided to go back to your home associations and ask them what they thought would be a good idea.

Treasurer's Report - Donna Jones

We have \$5674.74 in our bank account

Deadlines for A & AA tryouts:

After much discussion we set proposed dates for teams to have their teams picked and declared.

AA: June 30, 2007

A: August 30, 2007

Everyone is to take this information back to their home associations and come back to the next meeting prepared to vote.

Webmaster Report - Keith Kasier:

Schedules will be posted once Scott sends to Keith. Make sure you are posting your games within 48 hours after the game has been played.

Elite Coordinator Report - Mary Kasier:

The invitations to qualified coaches for the Triple A teams for 2008 will be in the mail shortly.

G & T Coordinator - Janet Logan:

- Two team player lists has be submitted to the ORA office as of today. We have 32 players signed on two team contracts.
- January 8th deadline may affect the number of Provincial level teams registered in the Province. As of January 1st there were:

<u>Division</u>	<u>AA</u>	<u>A</u>
Open	5	19 - Only 11 intending to attend provincials. No Eastern Teams will be attending.
Belle	9	18
Junior	11	16
Tween	11	21
Provincial Petite	24 total	

- Tournaments: All teams must participate in TWO tournaments at the appropriate playing level. At least ONE MUST be out of Regions. Tournaments that count towards the Wild Card Standings MUST be completed before the following deadlines AA - February 7, 2007 - A - February 21, 2007
- If you are having difficulty obtaining entry to an Out of Region Tournament or any tournament let Janet know.

Regional Rep Qualifying:

- Prelims for the AA teams (Tween, Junior and Belle) will be games currently scheduled. The coaches will be informed of these games.

- All Petite AA and Open teams will be going to Nepean.

Prelims for the A teams:

Open A - coaches will be informed of the scheduled games

All Tween, Junior and Belle A teams will be taking part in the prelims in Tillsonburg. All teams will be playing Friday during the day. Make sure your players are aware of this.

- ALL WRITTEN COMMENTS IN REGARDS TO THE WILD CARD SELECTION FOR THE 2008 YEAR. MUST BE INTO JANET BY MARCH 31, 2007.

Western Official Report - Tania Pettitt-Tracey:

- Elora-Fergus needs to pay Chris Elliott for two games. \$30.00 X 2 = \$60.00
Send cheque to: Chris Elliott @ 236 Thames Ave. Mitchell, Ontario N0K 1N0
- The referee that stepped out of line at the Mitchell Tournament has no served her two week suspension from referring games. This suspension was handed out by Tania.
- Tania has done 65 evaluations and has moved some referees to a higher level.
- The only associations that have asked Tania to do evaluation on refs are Forest & Exeter. Where are the other associations?
- Tania will come to your association and give a rule clinic for the players, coaches and parents. If interested talk to Tania.

Motion # 1: Motioned made by Tania Pettitt - Tracey seconded by Keith Kaiser

Effective January 1st, 2007, payment for on-ice officials for all scheduled A and AA league games shall be according to the following:

Regardless of where an official is registered, a flat fee for all league games shall be paid to all officials according to the following schedule:

Petite A, Petite AA, Tween A, Junior A - \$20

Tween AA, Junior AA, Belle A, Belle AA, Open A - \$25.00

All 20 minute periods - \$30

The home association shall pay this fee. The home association shall determine method of payment (cash or monthly cheque). All in favour. CARRIED

Motion # 2: Motion made by Tania Pettit - Tracey seconded by Elora-Fergus.

Effective January 1st, 2007, payment for on-ice officials for all scheduled A and AA league games shall be according to the following:

A travel allowance shall be paid to all officials based on time traveled one way.

0 mins - 30 mins -- no mileage

31 mins - 1 hour -- \$10

1 hour - 1.5 hours -- \$15

1.5 hours - 2 hours -- \$20

More than two hours -- \$25

Every Association participating in the league shall pay the league \$100 to cover travel claims for officials. The officials shall be responsible for sending their travel claims to the league RIC for approval. The league treasurer shall pay approved travel claims to the officials by monthly cheque. Exhibition games not on the schedule are not covered by this policy.

Keith Kasier motioned and Donna Jones seconded to amend the motion to read as follows:

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Every Association participating in the league shall pay the league **\$50 for every team participating in the league** to cover travel claims for officials. The officials shall be responsible for sending their travel claims to the league RIC for approval. The league treasurer shall pay approved travel claims to the officials by monthly cheque. Exhibition games not on the schedule are not covered by this policy.

Vote was carried to accept the motion with the amendment.

**** Cheques to cover travel cost for refs must be handed in at the next meeting and are to be made payable to: WORL League A & AA *****

Chris Beuglet - Provincials 2009

Any major changes your association would like to see for the 2009 Provincials (number of teams, etc.) Must be submitted to Chris by January 31, 2007.

The meeting was adjourned by St. Clements and seconded by Forest at 10:05 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING:
February 13, 2007 @ 7:30 p.m.
Dorchester**