

WESTERN REGION GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, March 8th, 2001

Stratford, Spruce Lodge

1. Welcome
2. Roll Call: absent - Elora/Fergus, SWIRL, St Clements, Tara, Tiverton
3. Approval minutes of January 18th, 2001 meeting
Stratford/Kitchener
4. Business arising from the minutes - none
5. Chairman's Report - Thank you to Chatham for hosting the prelims. Based on ORA changes, the prelims will be bigger next year. They will have to be finished by end of January. We will need a host for next year. Adult Provincials will be held in Markham, April 6-8. Fee increase of \$1.25 to ORA.
6. Treasurer's Report - Jeanette
see report
Tournament sanctioning fee forms are due from Guelph, Woolwich Ladies and Seaforth
7. Co-ordinator Reports:
 - 7.1 Coaching - Betty Ann
In regards to certification of AA coaches, we were the only region to have everyone certified! Remember to nominate for Coach of the Year award. Deadline is April 1st, send to either Brian or Mary. Coaches for the Regionals will need proper certification.
 - 7.2 Adult Development
\$825 and \$875 fees for the Provincials in Markham
 - 7.3 Membership Services - Brian
Reminder to nominate volunteers in your association. See ORA manual MF16 or on web site. You can fax them to Betty Ann who will pass on to Brian
fax (519) 899-4279
 - 7.4 Officiating - Jeff
He has 35 officials signed up for the Regionals, needs approximately 10 more. Case books are available. Thank you to all who helped with the prelims. Remember, the Regionals is an excellent time to get yourself evaluated.
 - 7.5 Sport Development
no report
 - 7.6 Elite - Luc
no report
The issue of the Region Teams to either become a Belle AAA league or go with the program the way it has been played with Challenge Cups. Discussion.
Motion - Hanover/Kitchener
That we maintain status quo on the Triple A program as per ORA Manual. Carried.

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- 7.7 Vice-President - Doug
Promotion monies requested by Exeter, cheque given. Remember you must apply in writing.
- Vice-President - Chris
see report
Nominations and election to be carried out at our Annual General Meeting in April.
8. New Business:
Rogers Cable has shown a ringette tape of Tillsonburg, great advertising
Donated gifts for the raffle table, hand them in at Regionals registration.
Remember to put your association on your e-mails.
Lucky Clark - coach of the Regional Team - age group of 17 years and under, registration by July 15th by Donna Jones. A notice will be given out at the Annual General Meeting. Luc says that ORA will be sending out a mailing also. Possible addition of one more man and woman to the bench staff.
9. Games and Tournament - Ginette
The Regionals will start on Friday, March 23rd at 9:00 a.m. Registration is at the Albert McCormick arena on Thursday, 7-9 p.m. Come and register before your first game. If you are convening an arena, pick-up the night before. Prices of Bunnies of \$175, Minor teams \$425 and Adult teams \$450. The tournament follows ORA rules. Western Region Code of Conduct will be adhered to. We need timekeepers, must have experience - call Ginette immediately. All bunnies games will be held on Sunday. Add Waterloo to host an arena. 138 teams are coming that weekend. Cost of prelims teams will be the same as Regional teams. Chatham will host the prelims for 2002. Provincial A cost is \$900 and AA cost is \$950. Schedules were handed out - 1 per association.

Adjournment
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