

**Regina Ringette Association Board Meeting
September 2, 2025 - Open Meeting**



Attendees:

President – Jason Hoffart	✓	Equipment - Mark Heisler		FUN3 – Zoey Drimmie	✓
Vice President / ROAR – Cindy Pettigrew		Marketing - Melissa Lozinski		U12 – Jayda McMillan	✓
Secretary - Darla Larson	✓	Player Development – Cody Thoring	✓	U14 – vacant	
Treasurer – Dustin Thiel	✓	Registration - Vanessa Atherton	✓	U16 – Nicole Fisher	✓
Children Ringette - Tracy Boe	✓	Scheduling - Cheryl Robertson	✓	U19 - vacant	
Coaching – Grant Wilson		Website - Jessica Wright	✓	18+ (Open) – Jessica Romanski	✓
Others (list if any): Todd Bakken					

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm
- 2) Additions to the agenda - Number of Coaches on the Bench
- 3) Adoption of agenda – **MCMILLAN/WRIGHT**
- 4) Adoption of Minutes –

MOTION: ROMANSKI/ROBERTSON move to adopt the minutes of the August 12, 2025 meeting, the June 16, 2025 Special Meeting, and the June 9, 2025 Special Meeting. 11 in favour; 0 opposed; CARRIED.

- 5) Treasurer Report (Dustin)
 - No Treasurer report as he has been helping out with U19 high performance evals. Full report will be available at the October meeting.
- 6) Registrar Report (Vanessa)
 - U12 - 6 teams
 - U14 - 4 teams
 - U16 - 4 B teams; need to recruit 2 goalies.
 - U19 - 4 B teams; will ask BP if they have anyone that would like to play U19 in Regina.

MOTION: THIEL/ROMANSKI motion to provide free registration to anyone in U16, to a maximum of two individuals, willing to play full-time goalie. 11 in favour; 0 opposed; CARRIED

- 7) Old Business/Action Registry

Owner	Deadline	Description	Status (Open/closed including date)
Cheryl	October 2025	Update Game Change Form for use in the upcoming season.	OPEN June 3, 2024
Dustin	June 2025	Recruit a sub-committee to review and update the travel policy, including talking to the coaches of the current travel teams, and make a recommendation to the board for future travel teams. June Update: travel policy will be ready for the July board meeting. August update: Survey is ready and will go out right away. September update: survey reviewed, 1-yr pause recommended. This action will be closed and a new one started.	OPEN Apr 7, 2025 CLOSED Sept 2, 2025



Owner	Deadline	Description	Status (Open/closed including date)
Dustin / Cody / Grant	January 2026	Develop an effective travel team policy taking the survey results, Darin Degenstein's recommendations and feedback from individuals. Should be ready to review in January 2026 so we can get it confirmed well ahead of the next season.	OPEN Sept 2025

8) New Business

- a) Conflict of Interest Policy - update policy to read that "anyone in conflict may be asked to leave the room". We all need to take responsibility and come forward if we feel we are in conflict and we can't feel offended if we are asked to leave the room.

- b) Game Sheet Purchase -

MOTION: THIEL/ROMANSKI to purchase game sheets at a cost of \$800. 11 in favour; 0 opposed; CARRIED.

- c) Move Requests -

- Nahlia Rollin - request to move from U16 to U19
- Claire Merkosky - request to move from FUN3 to U12
- Keely Farago - request to stay in U12 and not move to U14
- Jaida LaFleur - request to move from U19 to Open A

MOTION: ROMANSKI/THIEL motion to allow Nahlia Rollin to move to U19 from U16. 0 in favour; 8 opposed; 3 abstentions; DEFEATED.

MOTION: ROMANSKI/MCMILLAN motion to allow Claire Merkosky to be evaluated in U12 and placed accordingly. 9 in favour; 0 opposed; 2 abstentions; CARRIED.

MOTION: ROMANSKI/WRIGHT motion that Keely Farago be allowed to play in U12 and not move up to U14. 9 in favour; 0 opposed; 2 abstentions; CARRIED.

MOTION: THIEL/MCMILLAN motion that Jaida LaFleur be released from U19 to play in Open A. 0 in favour; 11 opposed; DEFEATED.

- d) Appeal Policy - defer to next month.

- e) Travel Team Policy - survey went out with 77 responses. The results and feedback were reviewed. It is recommended that there be a 1-year pause on travel teams and the time be taken to develop an effective policy that can be used for years to come. The survey results and feedback, and the recommendations that Darin Degenstein put forward in the spring of 2025 will be considered when developing the policy. The new policy should be developed and ready to come to the board for review/discussion in January.

MOTION: THIEL/ROMANSKI motion that there be a 1-year pause put on travel teams in order to develop an effective travel policy. 10 In favour; 1 opposed; CARRIED

- f) Number of Bench staff on a team - per policy, there can only be 5 registered coaches on the bench at a time but there can be more listed on a roster as long as all are registered somehow on another team (player/coach). The reason for this is for insurance purposes.

MOTION: MCMILLAN/ ROMANSKI that the playing rules be changed to reflect that Junior Coaches are not considered registered bench staff. 11 In favour; 0 opposed; CARRIED.



9) Reports (as posted on Basecamp):

- Bingo Report (as submitted by Lori Klein)
 - Fall sign ups went out and there is a lot of interest and people signing up. This usually changes as people receive schedules because at the time of signing up they don't have that. There are lots of new names and faces so that's nice to see.
 - Children's Ringette (Tracy Boe)
 - Director of Scheduling worked with RAS to do some switching of ice-time for Provincials and the Jamboree.
 - Many inquiries about what division people should register their kids in.
 - Need to secure a Lean to Play instructor.
 - Coaching (Grant Wilson)
 - Insufficient applications in the FUN division for coaches. Call-out will be made in the coming week.
 - More applicants for coaching than there are teams in U12 and U16 so will likely be conducting interviews for coach selections. U16 division coaches have been emailed.
 - Travel Team survey completed and analyzed.
 - Would like to understand the constraints and rationale for not having a virtual option for meetings. Information from August meeting minutes will be provided to Grant.
 - Equipment (Mark Heisler)
 - Received new goalie pads, blockers, keelys, knapper gloves, and rings
 - All jerseys are organized for the upcoming season.
 - Try-out bags put together for each division.
 - 3 on 3 equipment bags put together.
 - Need to purchase game sheets at a cost of \$800.
 - Brianna Shupe from RAS had a successful equipment drive and give-away.
 - All shot clocks have been tested with the exception of the Hamilton, Mahon and Staples as they aren't open yet. Will test those ones when rinks are open for the season.
 - Order has been finalized from the on-line store for bags and pants.
 - Marketing (Melissa Lozinski)
 - No report.
 - Player Development (Cody Thoring)
 - The 3 on 3 tournament for U12 and 1st year U14 was on August 23rd. Feedback will be shared at a future meeting.
 - 2nd year U14 and U16 3 on 3 is on September 7th.
 - Got some quotes for 3 on 3 jerseys for future use. Approximate cost will be \$2,970 if we wish to consider for future years.
 - The cost for medals and candy for 3 on 3 was about \$300.
 - Thank you to all those who volunteered their time to evaluate our high performance tryouts.
 - The Power Skating plan has been submitted by Kaytlyn and looks great.
 - Tracey Phaneuf will do the goalie clinics again.
 - Expression of interest sent out for the shooting clinic instructor.
 - Continue to work on getting dates for the Mental Health and Nutrition training.
 - Respect in Sport (as submitted by Kim Byrns)
 - Received 10 certificates over the summer with most being repeat submissions for returning players.
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- Will look at the new registrants throughout September and start reminding families of the October 15 deadline.
 - Will give the webmaster a few updates for the RISP web page on the website.
 - Scheduling (Cheryl Robertson)
 - Schedule to the end of September drafted.
 - Change to policy for returning ice to the city. The city requires 14 days for regular season ice. Ice amendments won't be processed if we have an outstanding balance.
 - Same ice in Pense as last year and can not return ice there.
 - Same ice in Southey as last year and we can likely get some additional Friday night ice.
 - Met with BPRA scheduler for discussion and feedback from last year. BPRA scheduler has agreed to help communicate schedule surveys and high performance meeting requests.
 - RAS did not get the ice they requested from the city for provincials in March. Agreed to swap them some ice that we had secured for our FUN1/2 jamboree the same weekend and in return they will include the FUN players in provincials.
 - Ice secured for the ROAR Clinic on Sept. 20th.
 - Cougars have put in a request for practices throughout the season, which is similar to last year.
 - Worked with the HEAT for some ice they are requesting.
 - Looping meeting for HP teams is on Sept. 9th.
 - Game match-ups for the first half have been drafted Fun 3 to U19B and Open C.
 - 1st half schedule will be complete by Sept. 22nd. Games will start for AA teams and Open division on October 2nd with the rest of the season starting the week of October 8th.
 - Tournaments (Jayda McMillan):
 - No report.
 - Vice President/ROAR (Cindy Pettigrew)
 - No report.
 - Website (Jessica Wright)
 - No report.
 - U12 (Jayda McMillan)
 - No report.
 - U14 (vacant)
 - No report.
 - U16 (Nicole Fisher)
 - No report.
 - U19 (vacant)
 - No report.
 - Open Division (Jessica Romanski):
 - 16 teams in Open Division - 5 A teams, 11 C teams.
 - Concern raised by Open A teams regarding the Cougars considering attending Westerns. Open A teams feel that the Cougars main competition is the UCC and if they attended provincials and then opted to attend Westerns it would remove the opportunity for the other A teams who do not get the opportunity to participate in a competition like UCC. Getting clarification from RAS.
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- 10) Review of upcoming events/key dates
 - U14A tryouts 3rd & 4th session - Sept 5
 - U12A tryouts - Sept 6 & 7
 - 3 on 3 U14 2nd yr./U16 - Sept. 7th
- 11) In camera
- 12) Next Meeting – Monday, October 6th
- 13) Motion to adjourn - WRIGHT