

Fraser Valley Ringette Association  
Annual General Meeting Minutes  
April 18, 2013  
6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

**Executive Members Present**

**President** – Jeaneen Briner

**Vice President** – Lars Nordal

**Treasurer** – Laara Green

**Registrar** – Melissa McCaskill

**Ice Scheduler** – Tanya Braithwaite

**Equipment Manager** – JoAnn Pearson

**Director of Coaching** – Paul Payne

**Director of Officials** – Leanne Hattie

**Director of Player Development** – Paul Lincke

**Director of Promotions** – Shelly Boone

**Tournament Director** – Suzie Otty

**Ways and Means** – Patricia Brown

**Past President** – Theresa Leslie

**Secretary** – Joan McGivern

**Executive Members Absent**

**Director of Evaluations** – Richard Chegwiddden

1. CALL TO ORDER: April 18, 2013 6:40 pm

2. Motion to adopt the 2013 Agenda

**MOTION:** Pete Smit motions to correct the prize draw numbers from 1 to 2 prize draws from Streamline and 1 to 2 prize draws from Offside Pro Shop and accepts the amended agenda for this General Meeting. Jerry Nielson seconded. All in favor (30).

**Motion passed.**

3. Motion to adopt the minutes from last year's General Meeting April 3, 2012

**MOTION:** Melissa McCaskill motions to adopt the minutes from last year's General Meeting on April 3, 2012. Teriann Carmichael seconded. All in favor (30). **Motion passed.**

**REVIEW OF POSITIONS UP FOR ELECTION:**

- Vice-President

- Treasurer
- Registrar
- Ways and Means
- Director of Officials
- Equipment Manager
- Secretary
- Director of Evaluations

#### **4. REPORTS**

##### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

I have acted as President for Fraser Valley Ringette for two terms now and it has been a great experience with lots of learning. I am very honored to work with such a dedicated group of executive members who volunteer on the Board of Directors with me. I am also grateful to the many members of our association who work so hard volunteering as we work throughout each season. We have often been commended by our ringette league counterparts for our successful association in terms of organization, structure and dedicated volunteers. This is a huge compliment.

Just to highlight a few of the wonderful adventures this season;  
We started the year off with several new board members eager to get started.

Thank you to Melissa McCaskill, our registrar, we switched to an on line registration system which came with a few hiccups but overall it has helped us to be far more efficient and has been well received by the membership.

Our player numbers were very strong in 2012/2013 with over 200 registered. As a result of this growth, we were able to field 2 U9 teams, 3 U10, teams, 3 U12 teams, 2 U14 (A and B) teams, 1 U16 team, 1 U19 team, 2 Open (A and B) and as a result of the committed efforts from Laara Green, a Masters team.

Shelly Boone, our Dir of Promotions worked steadily throughout the season to drive recruitment and support on going excitement for our players. This executive position is arguably not only exciting and challenging but one of the most valuable positions we have. We always need new Ringette players.

Thanks to the hard work of Richard Chegwidden, we ran evaluations this past season with a few changes to the program. We were afforded some helpful feedback and hope to once again offer a positive evaluation program.

Ice Scheduling is a huge challenge and if not managed well, can be a nightmare for an association. Tanya Braithwaite, who was new to the board last year jumped in with both feet and as a result of her exceptional organizational skills, things ran very smoothly.

We are anxious to secure ice at the Langley Events Center again as we lost it 2 years ago to Lacrosse during our SOW tournament.

Paul Linke, new to our board eagerly commenced a very successful player development program ensuring a focus on all groups including goalies. Paul worked hard all season to ensure that players were able to have good use of the additional player development ice times that FVR has been able to carve out.

With regard to Goalies, The Keely Brown Goalie School was able to come to BC for the first time. With the support of LMRL through gaming monies, associations were helped to get all interested goalies into the program. FVR was able to also contribute financial support to this program.

We will be once again having Keely Brown come to BC to run her Goalie school.

On this same note, JoAnn Pearson did a great job to ensure that our goalies, especially at the lower level were well equipped with gear. JoAnn has worked hard over the season to ensure that teams have had the gear and equipment needed without delay.

We launched a new web site with the creative and strategic planning of Lars Nordal and Shannon Anderson. Both worked tirelessly on it and as you will see, we have a superior web site. Thank you to Lars for all the regular communication to the association members throughout the year. Communication is key to the success of any organization and Lars worked very diligently to ensure that the FV members were informed.

Paul Payne, Director of Coaching worked tirelessly to recruit, retain and support coaches. Paul wore many hats this season and when not coaching, he was helping with Come Try Ringette Events, helping other coaches on and off ice, reffing generally having fun while doing it all.

With the efforts and hard work from Pete Smit and Nicole Borges, we offered, for the first time, an information session at the beginning of the season. This was designed to help parents, players and coaches better understand shot clock, score sheet, clock operation and general rules. It was well received and Pete secured feedback so that the program can once again be offered with some adjustments.

Leanne Hattie, our Director of Officials helped support this event by teaching shot clock. Leanne is another executive member who has worked tirelessly to ensure refs are at all the games, development opportunities are happening and in general officials feel confident in their jobs. As we all know this is a difficult job and we at Fraser Valley are lucky to have strong officiating and experience.

Our Annual Michelle Vandale Sprit of Winter Tournament was a huge success and offered some exciting new programs. We had over 40 teams participate this year and while there are many to thank for the success of the tournament, Suzie Otty must be recognized and commended. I will let Suzie Otty speak to tournament but on behalf of Sharon Smit, I want to remind everyone about the fantastic and exciting Flash Mob that took place during the opening ceremonies. Sharon was successful in getting up to 300 players/parents to participate in this surprise flash mob, which can be seen on U Tube. Sharon has advised me that the video has seen over 7000 hits and her goal is to have it seen around the world with more than 40,000 hits.

Each year, for the past 3, the Bettles family has kindly offered a scholarship opportunity in Michelle Vandales' name. This Scholarship is a value of \$1000.00 and is awarded during SOW tournament. This year, year the recipient was Courtney Greaves from Port Coquitlam.

FV also hosted the A Provincials, which saw 20 teams play at a high level. The event was met with success and over all teams played hard. The Open A team took home a gold medal the Sportsmanship award. U19 took home silver.

B Provincials were hosted in Surrey and Open B took home Bronze. Congratulations to all of the teams who participated.

I would like to also congratulate the U16 Team BC who took home the gold this year. We had 4 Fraser Valley Players on this team; Sarah McDonald, Tiana Olive, Rachel Gauthier and Sydney Schwartz. Our own Mitch Schwartz helped to coach this team to a win. Congratulations.

From a financial perspective, the year ended on a positive note. We were successful in securing gaming funds in the amount of 32,000.00, which afforded the association some great opportunities to pass along to the players (tournament fees, additional player development, extra equipment etc.). Laara worked hard to keep us all accountable and on track with association funds and program spends. I will let Laara, as treasurer; speak to more specifics in this regard.

At the BCRA level there have been some changes to Governance. Without boring you too much the Coles notes are that it is basically a new model of governing an Association. Where this may pertain and be of interest to you is that this new model of Governance tasks 5 chair people (elected) to chair 5 committees specific to 5 different strategic areas of our sport and all that it may entail. Please go to the BCRA web site for information regarding the committees.

This re-structuring has been slow to transition but the positive side to all of this is it gives associations and its members more input and ability to make change than before. For example, one of the Committees is Sport and Development. This is an area I am very interested in and as such, I volunteered to be one of the representatives on the committee. Part of the work that we will be doing pertains to safety including concussion awareness and prevention. We are also working towards the development of U12 and bringing tiering back. You should know that as a member of the committee I am passionate for this to happen and a big advocate for it. I will be representing the Lower Mainland and FVR in this area and as such, welcome all feedback and input. If change is made, the hope is that it will roll out soon.

This coming year, Mission is hosting the BC Winter Games. I am very excited to announce that Tanya Braithwaite has offered to be the Zone Representative and Paul Payne has offered to be the

Regarding the AA Program, I want to mention that they will be offering an orientation camp in May and try outs will commence the first week of September.

From the LMRL level, this coming season will see a focus on development in areas of coaching and reffing. There is also a discussion abt change to the U9 Program and how it is structured.

In closing, I want to thank all of our sponsors and important supporters for Fraser Valley. To name a few:

Sharon Smit with Streamline Ringette,

Perry and Melissa McCaskill from Fastech Services Limited Printing in Langley

Mark from the Off Side Pro Shop

Shannon Bettles/Reimer –Web site Design and operation

Cherri Young at White Paper Company

Thank you all for your hard work and commitment. We rely so heavily on everyone to help out and while I may not always have the opportunity to thank you personally, I want you to be assured your help does not go unnoticed.

Respectfully,

*Jeaneen Briner, Fraser Valley Ringette President 2012/2013*

#### **VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

In my second year as VP I was once again very impressed at the level of effort put forth by all Executive members. Their hard work paid off and we were able to deliver a very good year to players and families.

Thanks largely to the hard work of Shannon Bettles, we were able to do a complete revamp of our web site: [www.fvringette.com](http://www.fvringette.com) We have one of the best web sites in the province. It is easy to navigate and contains great information for everyone in the organization.

Our communication to all families was quite good this year through newsletters and e-mails sent via our hotmail account.

Thanks also to President Jeaneen for her leadership which allowed the Executive to accomplish as much as it did.

I am stepping down from all of my responsibilities at FVRA this year. I would like to wish the new Executive all the best as they continue to deliver a first class program. Thank you.

*Lars Nordal, Fraser Valley Ringette Vice-President 2012/2013*

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Hello, my name is Laara Green I have been the Treasurer for the past 3 seasons. I have enjoyed being involved with the FVRA executive and have learned a lot from it. Due to other commitments I will be stepping down from my position this year, but I will help out whoever takes over the position of Treasurer.

Now to the numbers

Our net income for the season was a loss of \$8,890.94. The reason we show a deficit this year is because of the \$13,000 of extra gaming funding that was 10 days before the end of last season. These funds were included in the 2012/13 income. This made last year have a high income and this season shows a loss, but over the two seasons we are still up by \$8,881.80.

If you turn to your balance sheet provided you will see that our Total Current Assets (cash in bank) is:

\$37,841.46 between both the General Account and Gaming Accounts

We have an additional \$860.00 in accounts receivable.

This brings our total Assets to \$38,701.46 – putting us in a great position for next season and gives us a bit of cushion for the future.

The budget for the 2013/14 season will be discussed later in this meeting under New Business ... but overall the budget is contingent on the gaming funds to make our budget work. We apply in May and don't get an answer until mid August so we may have to adjust our budget and plans at the starting of Ringette season in September.

***Laara Green, Fraser Valley Ringette Treasurer, 2013/2014***

*QUESTION from Michael Vandas: Can we use the Budget surplus to pay for full ice sheets for practice?*

*ANSWER: Ice is at its peak right now – we cannot get anymore unless it is at 5am or 11pm which would not be advantageous to our ringette teams. However, we can look into using it for dry-land training.*

*QUESTION from Sharon Smit: Did the Provincials make a profit.*

*ANSWER: yes approximately \$2,000*

**MOTION:** Theresa Leslie motions to accept the 2013/2014 Budget. Pete Smit seconded. All in favor (30). **Motion passed.**

## **REGISTRAR'S REPORT:**

I'm Melissa McCaskill, and this is my second and final year in my term as FVRA Registrar. I will not be staying on for the upcoming season. Hopefully, my efforts over the last 2 years will make for a smooth transition for my successor.

Last season we implemented our on-line registration system, and I was happy with the results of that. We had about 35% of our members register on-line. We hope to see that number at least double this year. We also had our highest number of registrants last year (in recent memory anyway!) and that was a total of 205 players.

Registration will open May 15th, for the 2013-2014 season, and we are still carrying forward with the goal of 100% on-line registration by next season. As of this moment, it is not totally possible due to some system limitations, but I do hope that by the start of next season that will be accomplishable. There will also be a push towards eliminating the service charge for on-line registration, which will help us to achieve this goal.

Overall this year, members will not see any major changes to the registration process. Fees are to remain the same, as will the on-line process, and for those who need it, the manual form will remain the same as last season.

In closing, I want to say that I have enjoyed my time on the board, and feel privileged to have been a part of such a great group of people, who truly give of themselves with the common goal of promoting their love of the sport, and trying to ensure that each of our members needs are met. I'll miss all of you, but I'll still be around!!!

***Melissa McCaskill, Fraser Valley Ringette Registrar, 2012/2013***

## **ICE SCHEDULER'S REPORT:**

My name is Tanya Braithwaite, this was my first year of a two year term as ice scheduler.

Changes made for the 2012-2013 season

- One ice slot in Aldergrove was used for a U10/U12 practice
- U16 paired up with the U19's were shifted back to SPX on Tuesday's
- Thursday ice slots were used all year for player development

This season we had another successful Masters program which utilized one ice slot in Aldergrove and a few ice times at Sportsplex. Our U10 division grew to three teams! With three teams in the U12 division as well, a decision was made to have a U10 & U12 team share the other ice slot in Aldergrove on Mondays for practice. All six U10 & U12 teams took turns throughout the season.

All season we had power skating and ring skills at our two ice times on Thursdays.

Other use of ice:

- Promotion – Come try Ringette
- Referee Training
- Coaches Training
- LMRL AA Program – each association is required to provide 4 hours of ice to AA Program

Thank you and I look forward to another exciting year

*Tanya Braithwaite, Fraser Valley Ringette Ice Scheduler, 2012/2013*

## **EQUIPMENT MANAGER'S REPORT:**

My name is JoAnn Pearson. I have been in the position of Equipment Manager for two years. The Equipment manager is responsible for distributing and maintaining all of the team gear. Over the past two years we have replaced a lot of our damaged and stained jerseys. We have also built up a healthy supply of goalie gear for all ages and will continue to do so as the next year progresses. Next year, we will be adding practice cones to the team totes. We have also purchased dry land training equipment and four new sets of numbered pennies. These items will continue to be stored at the Sportsplex lockup for all teams to use. The pennies will also be used next season during the evaluation process.

As always, I rely heavily on team managers and coaches to help maintain and care for our gear.

My two year term is complete, but I am interested in staying in the position for another year.

*JoAnn Pearson, Fraser Valley Ringette Equipment manager, 2012/2013*

## **DIRECTOR OF COACHING'S REPORT:**

I am Paul Payne, Director of Coaching. I have been the Director of Coaching for this past season. We had 15 teams this season and due to the commitment of our Head Coaches and their bench staff (54 in all), we have had another awesome season. Considering our membership is just over 200 players, we have coaching staff of 54. That's pretty awesome!

At this time I would like to thank the Coaches and their bench staff.

U9

Thank you to Tracy Townsend, Debbie Lemire and your bench staffs

U10

Thank you to Teriann Carmichael, Kerri Prosch and John Campbell as well as your bench staffs

U12

Thank you to jeaneen Briner, Danelle Sestito and Jamie Fiset as well as their bench staffs

U14

Thank you to Sharon Smit, Jeff McMillan and your bench staffs

U16

Thanks to Paul Payne and his bench staff

U19

Thanks to Theresa Leslie and her bench staff

18+(Open)

Thanks to Ron Ross, Lisa Egan and their bench staffs

Masters

Thanks to Laara Green, Pete Smit and their Bench Staff

We had two young ladies step up to be coaches this year, both did an amazing job. Kelly Leslie stepped up and co-coached with her mom, Theresa for the U19's. Pretty hard position to take on considering in the previous season, she was on the team as a player herself. Caitlin Payne decided she wanted to help out with a U10 team, so she did her CSI and became a Coach in Training with Kerry Prosch's U10 team.

We ran a CSI and a PIM course in November, and both were well attended.

***Paul Payne, Fraser Valley Ringette Director of Coaching, 2012/2013***

*COMMENT from Tracy Townsend: Thanks to all of the U16 helpers who came on the ice to help the U9 players and coaches. They were an invaluable asset this year.*

#### **DIRECTOR OF OFFICIALS' REPORT:**

Hi my name is Leanne Hattie and I am on the FV executive as the RIC (Referee in Chief). I have been in this position for 4 years and like the game of ringette I have come to really enjoy this position. My position is up for renewal this year and unlike in the past I feel comfortable doing it

again for another 2 years term!

This year has been a successful year with 3 new refs and ten veterans, who I would like to thank for their time and dedication to the sport! Without them the game would be a lot different!

I would also like to thank my fellow board members for their support when and where it was needed and Pete Smit for his hand in a new program for payroll and his scheduling at the SOW tournament!

Again I hope to have another successful term! See you at the rink!!

*Leanne Hatti, Fraser Valley Ringette Director of Officials, 2012/2013*

#### **DIRECTOR OF PLAYER DEVELOPMENT'S REPORT:**

This year in Player Development we provided both skills development and skating development to U-10, U-12, U-14, and U-16 girls. With 4 consecutive sessions before Christmas and 3 consecutive sessions after Christmas, we used Jen Wakefield and Jody Meadows as instructors. We also provided Goalie coaching with the help of Norm Reader, Sasha and Keely Brown, and Shannon Bettles for the months of November and February, again at no cost to the participants. Here we were able to provide practice support for coaches at all levels from U-12 to U-19, although for scheduling reasons goalie coaches were only able to work with teams sporadically. We also promoted a couple of Goalie Development Camps throughout the season. Feedback from parents and coaches was mostly supportive of our efforts and showed an appreciation for the value of the training, however better communication between myself, coaches and player development coaches would help for next year. Consideration should also be given to better matching of player development instructors with appropriate-aged players and having more consecutive sessions of goalie training to better reinforce skills.

*Paul Lincke, Fraser Valley Ringette Director of Player Development, 2012/2013*

#### **DIRECTOR OF PROMOTIONS' REPORT:**

This has been my first year as Director of Promotions. It has been a year of learning. I would like to say thank you to the many volunteers that have helped with promotion events this season. The season would not have been successful without volunteers.

This season we had a large number of registrations and hopefully it continues to grow. Our ringette families and association members largely promote ringette. This past season we have promoted ringette by hosting three Come Try Events; one on August 26, April 7th and May 5th. We have also hosted three Bring A Friend events in February. The number of registrations was amazing.

We have also been lucky to have a Booth at the Langley Cruise In in September. Thank you to Danelle and Riccardo Sesito for making this possible. We had a great booth with lots of spectators. We had a draw for a free registration and the winner is now a U10 player and cannot wait to join again next season.

We are in the process of promoting ringette in our local schools. This season we purchased two Ring Jammers kits to use for gym ringette. The kits consist of two class sets of rings, sticks and goggles. The set also includes other equipment to promote fitness such as skipping ropes,

scarves, balls and softtoss. Nicole Borges, and Paul and Caitlin Payne volunteered to help introduce ringette to two elementary schools in Abbotsford and Chilliwack. Thank you for helping out Pacific Sports Fraser Valley. They ran an after school program using the ring jammer equipment. Paul and Caitlin continued to keep on promoting by introducing ringette to several elementary and middle schools. Next season we hope to continue to promote ringette in our local schools.

In closing, I would like to thank all of our dedicated volunteers. Aimee says “Ringette Rocks” . I say “Ringette Rocks because you rock”!

*Shelly Boone, Fraser Valley Ringette Director of Promotions, 2012/2013*

## **DIRECTOR OF EVALUATIONS’ REPORT:**

Richard Chegwidden was unable to attend the AGM and did not submit a report.

## **TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR’S REPORT:**

This is my 2<sup>nd</sup> year as the Tournament Director and my 1<sup>st</sup> official year as a voting member on the committee. Since the position is a 2 year term, that means I have another year to complete as the Tournament Director. SO I will stay on for the 2013/14 Ringette season.

Our 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Michelle Vandale SOW tournament was held December 7-9, 2012 and drew in 38 teams from BC and Alberta.

This year our tournament included a Master’s division for the first time which was attended by FRVA, Richmond, Comox and Port Coquitlam Masters teams.

We did a lot to incorporate other activities besides games for all our divisions.

A new event this year was the Gym Ringette Jamboree held on the Roller Hockey Arena for the two FV U9 teams and the eight U10 teams. The Gym Ringette was directed by Shelly Boone, our Promotions Director with assistance from Niki Lacey from the Surrey Association and Lainie Winthrop from BCRA.

The U12, U14A, U16B and U16A attended the skills competitions. This was held on Friday and organized with the NRL Team Thunder, Chris Wakefield, Jennifer Wakefield and Teresa Brassington.

The Opening Ceremonies game was interrupted by a Flash Mob in the 1<sup>st</sup> intermission. This was put on by many teams in the Lower Mainland. It was videotaped put on YouTube for everyone to watch. The mastermind and choreographer of this mob was Sharon Smit of FV. It’s hard enough to organize one’s own team, let alone Ringette teams from all over the Lower Mainland to make a dance production. Kudos’ to Sharon for doing this and keeping it all a secret!

This year’s recipient of the \$1000 Annual Michelle Vandale Memorial Scholarship is Courtney Greaves from the PoCo Ringette Association. Courtney is a player, coach, volunteer, and referee in her Association and will be attending SFU in September.

Back at the end of the last season, Fraser Valley put in a bid to host the Provincial ‘A’ Championships here in Langley. As you can see, we did host the ‘A’ Provincial Championships on March 1-3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013. With only 10 weeks between tournaments and 8 weeks of preparation time, we managed to pull it together and to pull it off with a very successful tournament.

The Michelle Vandale SOW tournament netted Fraser Valley \$4500 and the Provincial ‘A’ Championships netted \$2000 for a total of \$6500 for Fraser Valley.

Thank you to all the volunteers who stepped up to help as committee members... The most common response from team survey was how well organized our tournaments are and how much fun it has been for the teams that attended. This isn't possible without your assistance.

As always, I am open to suggestions for activities for the next tournament. Feel free to contact me at [tournaments@fvringette.com](mailto:tournaments@fvringette.com) or drop by for a chat.

*Suzie Otty, Fraser Valley Ringette Tournament Director, 2012/2013*

#### **WAYS AND MEANS' REPORT:**

My name is Trish Brown and I have had the position on the executive as Fundraiser for the past 4 years with Fraser Valley Ringette. The association has been doing the raffle for this period and I feel that it is a great way to generate the large amount of funds needed to help run our association effectively. This fundraiser is a very simple and effective fundraiser if done in an organized manner. We usually get almost 100 % support from our Fraser Valley families. At this time I will be stepping down from my position since my daughter is off to university next year and won't be playing her last year here. I have enjoyed my time and will be there to support the new individual that takes on this position.

*Trish Brown, Fraser Valley Ringette Ways and Means, 2012/2013*

#### **PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Theresa would like to honour the winners of the Provincial banners this year the U19, Open A and U14B teams placed first in the league standings.

*Theresa Leslie, Fraser Valley Ringette Association, Past President, 2012/2013*

#### **SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

My name is Joan McGivern. I have been the secretary for 2 years. The position entails note taking, sending reminders, and completing the minutes and agenda for each meeting. I enjoy working with all of the association members, whether that be in meetings or in the ice rink. I am so fortunate to have met and made friends with so many positive and dedicated people. The biggest thing is that you create a positive community for my daughter, which is so important to her and to me. My position is up for election this year, but would not hesitate to remain on the board if nominations and voting allows.

*Joan McGivern, Fraser Valley Ringette Secretary, 2012/2013*

*COMMENT from Pete Smit: He wishes to thank the Association Executives. The Board has such a good reputation in the community for the good work and positive directions they are taking the Association – all due to the dedication of the people here – so thank you.*

#### **5. ELECTIONS**

- Will need two non- executive members for tallying votes - Jerry Neilson and Pete Smit volunteered.

- Vacancies
- Vice-President
- Treasurer
- Registrar
- Ways and Means
- Director of Officials
- Equipment Manager
- Secretary
- Director of Evaluations

**MOTION:** Laara Greene nominates Pete Smit for position of Vice President. Pete declines. Shelly Boone nominates Paul Payne. Paul declines. Position is left open at this time.

**MOTION:** Laara Green nominates Dorothy Neilson for the position of Treasurer. Dorothy accepts. All in favour (30). **Motion passed.**

**MOTION:** Melissa McCaskill nominates Melisa Valentine for the position of Registrar. Melissa accepts. All in favour (30). **Motion passed.**

**MOTION:** Trish Brown nominates Lacey Ormel for the position of Ways and means. Lacey accepts. All in favour (30). **Motion passed.**

**MOTION:** Pete Smit nominates Leanne Hattie for the position of Director of Officials. Leanne accepts. All in favour (30). **Motion passed.**

**MOTION:** Sharon Smit nominates JoAnn Pearson for the position of Equipment Manager. JoAnn accepts. All in favour (30). **Motion passed.**

**Motion:** Paul Lincke nominates Joan McGivern for the position of Secretary. Joan accepts. All in favour (30). **Motion passed.**

**MOTION:** Paul Lincke nominates Michael Vandas for the position of Director of evaluations. Michael declines. Danelle Sestito nominates Jerry Neilson. Jerry accepts. All in favour (30). **Motion passed.**

**Motion:** Dorothy Neilson nominates Sharon Smit for the position of Vice President. Sharon will think about it and contact Jeaneen when she reaches her decision . Position is still open at this time.

## 6. NEW BUSINESS:

- BCRA fees have gone up for this coming season due to Ringette Canada raising their fees. Jeaneen Briner brought the BCRA Annual report from last year's

BCRA AGM for association members to review in order to see a breakdown of the fee structure.

- Conditioning Camp Coordinator needed

We are looking for someone to organize and run this camp held traditionally the last Week of August. It is approximately 3 hours of ice time each day – 15 hours total for 40-45 players. Held for the U9-U16 age groups.

We have paid an instructor and had volunteers come out.

The NRL Jen Wakefield camp has now been moved a month earlier so there will be no conflict this year.

We really do not want to lose our ice time for this.

- Introduction of Web Master

This is a non-voting position which will require periodic attendance at board meetings.

It will require the member to continue to update and maintain the current website.

Jeaneen will put out a call to the association for those interested to apply.

Danelle Sestito has expressed interest – she will wait until the Association has been notified of this new position.

*RECOGNITIONS from Jeaneen:*

Trish Brown is stepping down from her position of Ways and Means. Her spontaneity has benefited the association in a positive way.

Theresa Leslie has been Past President for a number of years and her wealth of knowledge to both the Fraser Valley Association and the League should not go unnoticed. Most people do not realize the amount of time and energy she has put into this sport.

Laara Green has been an invaluable asset to our association as Treasurer, and a wonderful person to work with.

Lars Nordal came to us from Quesnel and took over the creation of our newsletters, and pamphlets and the rebuilding of our Constitution. A daunting task for sure.

Melissa McCaskill has been the first point of entry into our association and continued to work hard to streamline and make that beginning easier for everyone. Moving to on-line registration only happened because she was so passionate about it.

All board members leaving the Executive at this time will be missed.

- Draw winners

Player Registration: Arlene Wada

\$100 Streamline: Paul Payne

\$100 Streamline: Danelle Sestito

\$100 Offside Sports: Melissa McCaskill

\$100 Offside Sports: Dorothy Neilson

\$25 Tim Hortons: Tanya Braithwaite  
\$25 Tim Hortons: Lars Nordal

**MOTION:** Pete Smit motions to adjourn the meeting at 8:25. Theresa Leslie seconded.  
All in favour (30). **Motion passed.**

**Attached Financial Records:** See next page ...

**Adjourned:** 7:55pm

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