

# Riverdale Recreation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Date: March 25, 2021  
Meeting Start Time: 7.06pm

Facilitator: Laura G

## 1. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Alastair M. to approve the January 12, 2021 as presented (title amended from “Agenda” to “Minutes”) second by Jamie M. → all approved, carried

No February meeting minutes to review/approve as no meeting was held

## 2. Approval of Finances

Review the January, February, & March Financial Statement as presented – Motion made by Richard B. to approve the financial statements and the payables 445-456, seconded by Dennis V. → all approved, carried

The Riverdale Community Centre’s General Ledger was reviewed by Board

## 3. Reports

### Facilities Report

Reviewed with Board. Laura informed Board that a couple rentals have been taking place in RCC including baseball academy & dance. Kenzie reported that Baseball academy has been going smoothly. They follow all of RCC’s rules, in addition to Baseball Manitoba’s Return to Play.

### Programming Report

Laura was happy to report in person programming again! Things are starting off slow but are happening! Dennis let Laura know that the golf course should be starting in May, and to talk to the Board about Jr Golf. Dennis also mentioned that he may be getting Maxine to reach to in regard to grants for Riverdale Golf & Country Club. Laura is happy to help groups with grants and funding, but they need to let her know in advance.

Baseball and Soccer registrations are closed. Both had good numbers. Rivers Baseball Association has applied for a Green Team member to help maintain the baseball grounds. They are also doing a fundraiser called “Beer for a Year” where they are selling tickets to win Beer for a Year.

## 4. Old Business

### 4a) Grants

- Reviewed all grants that have been submitted

### 4b) Acres of RCC

- Ian had told Laura that he had someone lined up to seed, however, the board needs to discuss spraying, and harvesting. Laura to send letter to companies asking for support. Keep in touch with Dennis V as he has land close to where Acres of RCC is located and could *potentially* help.

### 4c) Code Red

- Still in Code Red, however, restrictions are loosening so we can have some recreational activities take place in person

### 4d) Recovering Lost Costs

- RCC will need to make up for this past devastating season. Ideas include: rates, fundraising, social event (when/if restrictions allow), canteen options,

## 5. New Business

## 2021-2022 Rates

Laura asked the board to review loss from this past year and try to see how we could change the rates that would allow RCC to recover losses, while still having recreation be sustainable for the community. Ideas floated around included

- paying a flat rate for "X" usage, and then if teams go over and above the agreed usage, they pay a premium.
- mandating that groups work together better to host events (ie. 2019 Harvestfest)
- Laura will do up a spreadsheet of different options and run numbers for the board to approve by next meeting (April)

## Inclusion Policy

Laura reviewed the inclusion policy for RRC. Motion was made by Jamie M. to approve the presented RRC Inclusion Policy and was seconded by Richard B. → all approved, carried

## Blue Bomber Chairs

Quote was presented by CSS Creative Seating Solutions to replace old Red Chairs by viewing area to the Blue Bomber chairs currently in the bleacher seating upstairs in hockey area. Tabled.

## Summer Plan for RCC

The plan for summer ice is very dependant on what restrictions allow. RCC/Council both agree that for us to put summer ice in, it needs to make sense to do so. A lot of this is also dependent on Derek's hockey schedule,

## Canada Day Celebration

How can we participate? Chamber of Commerce is spearheading a Canada Day Weekend celebration with Fireworks set for Saturday, July 3

## MB Bridge Grant/Money

We've got some money still from the MB Bridge Grant and Laura would like ideas on what we can invest in. Something long term that will benefit the community's recreational opportunities. Ideas included from Board conversation: Aspen Trail Signage, more pickleball, splashpad, and speak with game and fish.

## 6. Open Issues

Adjournment: 9.13pm

Next Meeting Date: April 14, 2021 @ 7pm