



Ringette Canada Annual General Meeting  
June 3, 2007  
Miramichi, New Brunswick

MINUTES

**I. Roll Call**

Members	Glen Ritchie, BC Ringette Association Cal Towns, Ringette Alberta Donnell Schoenhofen, Ringette Association of Saskatchewan Jan Burns, Manitoba Ringette Association Terry Watters, Ontario Ringette Association Steve Silverman, Ringette Quebec Ron Richard, Ringette New Brunswick Calvin MacMillan, Ringette Prince Edward Island Alan Saade, Ringette Nova Scotia
Board of Directors	Jim Dawson, President Stephan Blackman, Director Doug MacQuarrie, Director Alison Aiton, Director Don Kozun, Director Monty Aldous, Director Kathy Harvey, Director Jennifer Falloon, Athlete Director
Ringette Canada Committee Chairs	Tamara McKernan, Chair, National Team Committee George McKenzie, Chair, National Ringette League Committee Kathryn Pringle, Chair, Sport Development Committee Iris Todd, Chair, Officiating Committee Phyllis Sadoway, Chair, Coaching Development Committee
Observers/Staff	David Patterson, Executive Director, Ringette Canada Frances Losier, Technical Director, Ringette Canada Sabrina Guay, Sport Development Coordinator, Ringette Canada Ron Betts, Executive Director, Ringette Alberta Crystal Gellner, Executive Director, Ringette Association of Saskatchewan Keith Doering, Technical Director, Ringette Association of Saskatchewan Cheryl Adlard, Executive Director, Manitoba Ringette Association Mike Beaton, Executive Director, Ontario Ringette Association Kelsey McIntosh, Executive Director, Prince Edward Island Ringette Association Beth Vallis, Past President, Ringette Nova Scotia Jane Casson, Past President, Ontario Ringette Association Jane Marshall, Technical Director, Ringette New Brunswick Alayne Martell-Crocker, Public Relations Karen Mackarous, Sport Canada

Regrets *Kathy Hobbs, Northwest Territories Ringette Association*  
*Carolyne Hudson, Director*  
*Kristin Albo, Competitions Coordinator*

Jim Dawson Jim Dawson called the meeting to order at 9:25 a.m. ADT.

**2. Voting Entitlements**

Jim Dawson Called roll and outlined voting entitlements. The following voting rights were ascertained:

British Columbia	5
Alberta	5
Saskatchewan	5
Manitoba	5
Ontario	5
Quebec	5
New Brunswick	5
Nova Scotia	5
Prince Edward Island	5
Stephan Blackman	1
Alison Aiton	1
Doug MacQuarrie	1
Monty Aldous	1
Don Kozun	1
Kathy Harvey	1
Jennifer Falloon	1
Jim Dawson	1
Total Votes Available	53
Majority Of Votes	27
2/3 Majority of Votes	36

**3. Ratification of the Agenda**

Jim Dawson Presented the agenda for the meeting.  
**MOTION AGM 07 01 Alberta / New Brunswick**  
 To approve the agenda as presented.  
**CARRIED**

**4. Approval of the Minutes of the 2006 Annual General Meeting**

Jim Dawson Presented the minutes of the 2006 Annual General Meeting.  
**MOTION AGM 07 02 Manitoba / Ontario**  
 To approve the minutes of the 2006 Annual General Meeting as presented.  
**CARRIED**

**5. Approval of the Audited Financial Statements**

David Patterson Presented the auditors' report.  
Don Kozun Noted that the Board Finance Committee is working on a strategy for the financial management of the association, including a Finance Policy to better use the accumulated funds. The Board Finance Committee is also working to help ensure that the committees are spending their full allotment of funds.

**MOTION** **AGM 07 03** **Don Kozun / Monty Aldous**  
To accept the audited financial statements as presented.  
**CARRIED**

**6. Appointment of Auditors for the 2007-2008 Fiscal Year**

**MOTION** **AGM 07 04** **Don Kozun / Manitoba**  
To appoint the firm of BDO Dunwoody as the auditors of Ringette Canada for the 2007-2008 fiscal year.  
**CARRIED**

**7. Presentation of the Annual Report**

Jim Dawson Presented the Ringette Canada Annual Report.  
**MOTION** **AGM 07 08** **British Columbia / Saskatchewan**  
That all actions of the Board of Directors including all acts, contracts and any other business dealings be accepted and approved for the 2006-07 fiscal year.  
**CARRIED**

**8. Playing Rule Changes and Modifications**

Iris Todd Presented the national rules change package and noted that proposal #21 was included in error and should not be considered for approval as a result.

**MOTION** **AGM 07 09** **Stephan Blackman / Alison Aiton**  
To amend 2, 5 (a) 1 to allow for pegging of nets at the Tween Division.  
**CARRIED**

Iris Todd Presented rule change submission #2.  
**MOTION** **AGM 07 10** **Stephan Blackman / Alison Aiton**  
To amend 7, 3, (b) to allow for the substitution of the goalkeeper at any time.  
**CARRIED**

Iris Todd Presented rule submission #3.  
**MOTION** **AGM 07 11** **Stephan Blackman / Alison Aiton**  
To amend 7, 3, (b) to allow for the substitution of the goalkeeper in the last two minutes of the first period.  
**DEFEATED**

**MOTION** **AGM 07 12** **Stephan Blackman / Alison Aiton**  
To amend sections 2, 2.1 and 2.2 to amend the rink dimensions.  
**CARRIED**

**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 13**                      **Stephan Blackman / Alison Aiton**  
To amend section 2, 2.5 (a) to allow for the nets to be pegged at the Tween division.  
**CARRIED**

**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 14**                      **Stephan Blackman / Alison Aiton**  
To amend section 4, 4.2 (a) to prohibit skaters from playing with goalkeeper sticks.  
**CARRIED**

**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 15**                      **Stephan Blackman / Alison Aiton**  
To amend section 6, 6.2 and 7, 7.3 (b) to mandate that a team have a goalkeeper at all points in the game.  
**DEFEATED**

**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 16**                      **Stephan Blackman / Alison Aiton**  
To amend section 9, 9.1 (a) to mandate that a player taking a free pass must enter the free pass circle from the half of the circle in which the ring is placed.  
**CARRIED**

**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 17**                      **Stephan Blackman / Alison Aiton**  
To amend sections 9.4 (d), 9.4 (e), 9.4(f), 9.4(g) to indicate that the ring should be placed in the nearest circle within the appropriate zone.  
**CARRIED**

**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 18**                      **Alison Aiton / Stephan Blackman**  
To amend section 10.2 (b) to include “deflected by” to the goal scoring regulations.  
**CARRIED**

**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 19**                      **Kathy Harvey / Monty Aldous**  
To amend motion AGM-07-18 to change the rule to not allow for a “deflection by” the on-ice official.  
**WITHDRAWN**

**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 20**                      **Alison Aiton / Stephan Blackman**  
To amend 11.2 (a) to make it a violation to be the last team to have contacted the ring before it leaves play.  
**CARRIED**

**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 21**                      **Alison Aiton / Stephan Blackman**  
To amend 12.1(a) and 19.2(a) to legislate that players must control the ring before a violation is called against their team.  
**CARRIED**

**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 22**                      **Alison Aiton / Stephan Blackman**  
To amend 12.2 (a) to mandate that both excess players and the ring must leave the restricted area before a delayed violation is called.  
**CARRIED**

**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 23**                      **Alison Aiton / Stephan Blackman**  
To add a rule to section 12 to make it illegal for a team to exchange players during a stoppage in play if the stoppage was caused due to that teams’ violation in their defending zone.  
**DEFEATED**

**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 24**                      **Monty Aldous / Quebec**  
To amend motion AGM-07-23 to make the change experimental at the Junior A level and higher, and at all levels of AA.

**CARRIED**  
**Opposed – Nova Scotia**

**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 25**                      **Stephan Blackman / Alison Aiton**  
To amend section 13.5 (F) to make it a delay of game penalty to throw a stick to a player that has lost one.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 26**                      **Manitoba / Stephan Blackman**  
To amend 13.5(k) to make it a delay of game penalty for a skater to participate in the play while carrying a goalkeeper stick.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 27**                      **Stephan Blackman / Alison Aiton**  
To amend 13.11(d) and 11.2 (c) to make it a violation to check an opponent before they possess the ring in a 2 line or 1 line blueline pass situation.

**CARRIED**

**Opposed – Don Kozun**

**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 28**                      **Stephan Blackman / Alison Aiton**  
To amend 13.11(d) to indicate that this penalty will be for “slashing”.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 29**                      **Manitoba / Stephan Blackman**  
To amend On-Ice Officials’ Signals to indicate that officials should bend their arm when giving a shot-clock reset signal.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 30**                      **Nova Scotia / Monty Aldous**  
To amend section D.3 (b) to indicate that control of the ring on the part of the goalkeeper would not include a situation where a goalkeeper makes a save and the rebound ends outside the crease.

**CARRIED**

**9. Elections**


**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 31**                      **Monty Aldous / Saskatchewan**  
That the general assembly acclaim Beth Vallis, Doug MacQuarrie, Kathy Harvey and Carlyne Hudson as Directors of the Association.

**CARRIED**

**Abstentions – Doug MacQuarrie and Kathy Harvey**

10.1

Teams for the 2008 Tim Hortons Canadian Ringette Championships

	Province	Junior	Belle	Open
	Alberta	1	1	1
	British Columbia	1	1	1
	Manitoba	1	1	1
	New Brunswick	1	1	?
	Nova Scotia	1	1	1
	NWT	-	-	-
	Ontario	1	1	1
	PEI	1	1	0
	Quebec	1	1	1
	Saskatchewan	1	1	1
	NRL	0	0	3
	Hosts	1	1	1
	Total	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>

**10.2**

**Host Site Selection for 2010 Canadian Ringette Championships**

**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 32**                      **New Brunswick / Ontario**

That Ringette Canada accept the Saskatoon Ringette Association, as endorsed by the Ringette Association of Saskatchewan, as the host of the 2010 Canadian Ringette Championships.

**CARRIED**

**Abstention – Alison Aiton**

**11.**

**Closing Remarks**

**Jim Dawson**  
**Manitoba**

Requested feedback on the AGM weekend.  
Noted that the workshop format was a good concept and that the presentation of the rules change package was particularly helpful.

**Stephan Blackman**

Noted that in relation to previous AGM weekends, the variety of concepts and activities was very good. It was difficult at times that the presentations were not always the same length. Also noted that the contact with local associations was a good addition to the weekend.

**Beth Vallis**

Suggest that there should have been more plenary sessions – especially on the topics that were expected to lead to a vote at the AGM.

**Quebec**

Thanked the presenters for their time and efforts in putting together the presentations.

**Saskatchewan**

Noted that it would be helpful to have the presentations available in hard copy during the presentations.

**Alberta**

Noted that it was helpful to have choices, even though at times it was difficult to make those choices.

**Kathy Harvey**  
**Jim Dawson**

Thanked the host committee for their outstanding hospitality.  
Thanked all attendees for their time, dedication and attention throughout the weekend. Also reminded the assembly that with the strategic plan, LTAD, and the upcoming WRC this will be a very busy year for our association and our sport.  
Jim also noted that the final version of the strategic plan based on the feedback from stakeholders will be published in the fall, with the final content having been derived by the end of July of 2007.  
Finally, Jim wished all attendees a safe trip back home.

**MOTION**                      **AGM 07 33**                      **Jennifer Falloon / Don Kozun**

To adjourn the 2007 Ringette Canada Annual General Meeting.

**CARRIED**