

## OFSC board minutes 7.16.09

Present: Diane Falken, Trish Noyce, Charlotte McCabe, Chris Nowariak, Elizabeth Malo, Jodi Sampson

1. President/Vice-President Report – nothing new to report
2. Treasurer Report
  - a. Discussion was had as to what money truly needs to be in reserves to run a fully operating figure skating club. The question was raised as to how profitable do we want or need to be? Comparison of the 07/08 and 08/09 fiscal schedule was looked at. A budget will be determined after the kick off registration on Aug 1<sup>st</sup>. We will have a better handle on girls registered and money brought in from the car wash and Cashwise booth.
  - b. Discussion on changing from a 501(c)7 (social club) vs. a 501(c)3 (charitable organization). Diane and Elizabeth will meet with Matthew House on Wednesday at 1pm to attain more information.
3. Secretary report – nothing new
4. Membership/Test Chair
  - a. A motion was made by Charlotte to register the 6 board officers with USFSA. It was seconded by Trish. Motion carried
  - b. Discussion was had as to whether we should cover coaches registration. Jodi will call around to other clubs and get a better understanding as to standard protocol on this.
  - c. Additional individual registration will take place after registration on August 1<sup>st</sup>
5. PR
  - a. Charolette gave us an update on the Kick off Registration and fundraiser car wash on August 1st. She and Karla have secured the Pepsi booth from the city. Sampson Dairy will be donating ice cream treats and a cooler, McCabes will donate water and the supplies needed to wash the cars. Girls are asked to wear their red show t-shirts with black shorts. Families are asked to bake 2 dozen bars or cookies.
  - b. Elizabeth Malo will speak to Todd Hale for publicity in his Life section in the paper. And Charolette will speak to Leanne Alt for the Owatonna Today show. We would also like to put the car wash/registration in "In the know" in the Peoples' Press.
6. Coaches Committee
  - a. Jodi has spoke with the Mankato, Burnsville and Northfield clubs. Each coordinator of the respective clubs will put a feeler out there to their coaches as to our need of a basic skills coach for Thursday evenings.
  - b. Private lessons during the free portion of the basic skills lessons was discussed. The board has no issue or problem with this continuing; however, we are significantly short on coaches and are unsure if this would even be a possible if we do not have enough coaches to teach basic skills.
7. Rink Liason – nothing new to report
8. Show – tabled until next meeting
9. Fundraisers
  - a. Cashwise burger/brat booth is scheduled for Wednesday, August 5<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, August 6<sup>th</sup>. A sign up sheet for volunteer hours will be emailed to all skaters. We need one adult and 2 skaters per 2 hour shift. If a basic skiller would like help or their parents, we welcome them.
  - b. Turtle Creek Fall Fundraiser - A motion was made by Trish Noyce to pursue this fundraiser in place of the wreath fundraiser. Chris Norwariack seconded the motion and the motion carried. With the two additional fundraisers (car wash and Cashwise) the board felt that it was a viable option to try Turtle Creek. The board felt strongly on keeping our fundraisers local. Each Moves and Free skater will be required to buy 10 coupons at \$20 each. The second skater in a family would increase the

- amount to a maximum of 15 coupons per family. Of course, additional coupons can be sold if the skater so chooses.
- c. Kwik Trip cards – Diane made a motion to continue this option for skaters. Elizabeth seconded the motion. The motion carried. They will be offered at the beginning of each session and maybe the show. Denise Carlson will be approached to continue this program.
10. Merchandise – tabled
  11. Website – Diane will continue to make updates
  12. Newsletter/Bulletin Board – tabled
  13. Social – tabled
  14. Rink Parent Coordinator – Discussion was had that it is difficult to find parents for the Wednesday morning ice and probably the Tuesday morning ice that the club hopes to offer in the fall. There will be a sign up at the August 1<sup>st</sup> registration for all available slots for rink parent for fall and winter sessions.
  15. Jr. Coach Coordinator – Diane made a motion to split the Jr. Coach Coordinator position into 2 roles: mentoring and scheduling. Denise Carlson has volunteered to take on the scheduling role. One of our current coaches has expressed an interest in mentoring and coaching the Jr. Coaches. Elizabeth seconded the motion. Motion carried. The Jr. Coach mentor would be responsible for monthly meetings at approx. 15 min with the Jr. Coaches. Appropriate attire, composing a binder that details a check list of activities for Jr. coaches to do with basic skillers , as well as, incorporating a mentorship program between Senior and Jr. Coaches. This JR. coach coordinator would also determine what level each applicant would need to have passed in order to apply for a Jr. coach position.
  16. Scholarship Committee – Diane agreed to make a form, basically two essay questions, that applicants for the scholarship would fill out. Jean Kaplan will be approached to help award the scholarship.
  17. Synchronized Team – at this point, 10 skaters have expressed interest in joining the team. Eight skaters are needed to compose a team. All skaters must have passed pre pre moves in the field test to be eligible.
  18. Fall ice time
    - a. Basic Skills
      - i. Sundays: 5:30-6:00 – full half hour of lesson with a coach with no free ice time
      - ii. Thursdays: 6-7pm
    - b. Moves/Free
      - i. Sundays: 5:30-6:00 hope to offer the skills class taught by a rotating coach schedule.
      - ii. Tuesdays: 6:15-7:30AM
      - iii. Wenesdays: 6-7:30 & 7:30-8:00 pm (Synchro)
      - iv. Thursdays: 7-8:30pm
  19. Dance class for skaters – offered by Tia Marks ...waiting for more information
  20. A motion for an **additional board meeting was made for August 28<sup>th</sup> at 6pm** by Jodi. The motion was seconded by Diane. The motion carried. The meeting will be at Plaza Morena.

Submitted by: Jodi Sampson