

**Rochester Figure Skating Club
Board of Directors meeting
January 25, 2010**

Board Members present: Wayne Brakke, Marne Gade, Kari Grabowsky, Ginger Knapp, Dawn Nelson, Ann Miksch, Lynn Okuno, Chris Potaracke, Tim Rinkel, Rich Washburn

Board Members absent: Jimmie Santee, Michael Fryer

Staff Present: Debbie Colgan, Paul Paprocki, Lori Voepel Brakke, Sabine Tetzloff

Guests: none

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

Secretary's Report- Correction was made to the Junior Club report from November 2009. Sabine reported that there was advertising done in the Post Bulletin and informational sheets were given to kids.

Under Continuing Business #8- ahs was changed to has.

Wayne made a motion to accept the minutes with corrections. Second by Chris. Approved by all.

Treasurer's Report- September to November ice loss averaged \$2977 per month. Previous board had approved average ice loss at \$1500-\$2000 per month.

Direct deposit of payroll- Wells Fargo would charge \$10 per month, and 50 cents to each non-Wells Fargo bank deposit. Marne made a motion to offer direct deposit to staff. Tim made a friendly amendment- depending on whether it has to be all of the staff participating or not. Second by Dawn. Approved by all.

Kari made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Second by Chris. Approved by all.

President's Report- Thank you cards from the staff were sent around the table. Staff received gift cards to Target as a holiday gift from the club.

The cost of living increases have been implemented.

New procedures regarding checks have been implemented as well. A locked drawer in the office has been installed for all checks. Only those needing access to the checks for signing or distributing checks shall have keys to the drawer.

Skating Director's Report- The main sections of his report were as follows:

Paul reported that his sister passed away on January 1st from cancer, and a few days prior his father had a stroke.

The south rink boards and glass will be replaced by the city this spring.

The final decision on advertising during the Olympics was to be made in the following week.

The harness rope has been replaced.

Junior Club Report- The main sections of his report were as follows: Winter enrollment is at 337. Fall I had 262, and Fall II had 305. For the first time skaters had to be turned away from Saturday morning PS/KG because of space. Ice shows enrollment is 119.

Wayne made a motion for the RFSC to pay the \$35 entry fee for junior interns, interns and staff to enroll in a U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills Workshop at Shattuck/St. Mary's on March 6th. Second by Chris. Approved by all.

Coaches Liaison-The coaches had a meeting on January 7th. Twelve coaches were in attendance. The agenda included appropriate goal setting, direct deposit of payroll, national skating month, a report on Hiawathaland, and options for dates for next year's Hiawathaland.

TCFSA report- Jamie asked for an ad in the Hiawathaland program. TCFSA gets up to two free ads per year. An ad for synchro nationals will be in the Hiawathaland program and the regular TCFSA ad will be in the ice show program.

Continuing Business-

Off ice room/Coaches room- Debbie reported that the gym divider has been put off until summer. Chris reported that there have been times when the classes are not getting the gym as scheduled. Paul will talk with Ed.

Volunteer Policy- Volunteer sheets were sent to Hiawathaland chairpersons. Michael recommends all chairs get 25 hours. After discussion it was decided to keep logging the chairperson's hours for now.

Hiawathaland 2010- Postponed due to Jimmie's absence. There needs to be a discussion about next year's date.

Star of the North update- Debbie will verify if Rec Center can be used and shared with the Swim Club.

Olivia Clark Memorial Plaque- Kristin is looking for a picture they would like used on the plaque.

Olivia Clark Fund Silent Auction- Well-attended. No numbers at this time.

Hardship fund- Paul is looking into details and would like to see it become part of the Long Range Planning Committee. Debbie will be working on this also.

Locker Room Policy- Has been approved.

Advertising during Winter Olympics- Paul reported that the committee will meet with KTTC later in the week.

State Champions banner- Debbie reported that it is completed and hanging in the north rink.

Winter Festival- Discussed that the chairperson for this event should be someone other than the Hospitality chairperson.

Annual meeting plans- No report at this time.

New Business-

Ice & Rules- Ice rates- The committee recommends increasing the cost of ice to skaters by ten cents per unit. The Rec Center has been increasing the cost of ice by \$5 per hour every six months since the summer of 2008. That was the last time the cost was increased for contracted freestyle ice. The synchro teams have been billed the current hourly price each time costs have increased so a deficit in the ice cost vs. money paid does not show in the synchro portion of the treasurer's report.

Ice & rules will discuss and call for an email vote.

Hiawathaland 2011- No report at this time.

Ice Show- The first chairperson meeting has been held. A place to build and store props is needed.

Governing Council- Ann will ask Gretchen Wilson and Jan Mattson if they will be our delegates and if they will carry the proxy votes of three other club members.

Office area decorum- The office needs to look more professional. Debbie added that more space would make it easier.

The next meeting will be February 22, 2010.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Miksch, secretary