

Rochester Figure Skating Club Board of Directors Meeting Minutes



March 21, 2022 7:00 p.m. | Remote Meeting via Zoom

RFSC Mission statement: The purpose of the Rochester Figure Skating Club (RFSC) is to foster, promote, improve, and encourage the sport of figure skating among youth under 18 years of age in the State of Minnesota. The RFSC will encourage and facilitate youth participation in regional, sectional, national and international figure skating competitions. The RFSC does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, sex, age, gender or national origin.

Board Members: Jeremy Arnold, Jennifer Brehm (Secretary), David Cooper (Vice President), Niteen Damle, Fawn Hangge (Treasurer), John Kappler (President), Erin Kirmis-Stein, Lisa Lee, Mark O'Byrne, Elizabeth Rice, Amanda Roe, Andrew Schram

Absent: Jeremy Arnold, Niteen Damle

Additional Participants: Payton Kappler, Kari Sackett, Maureen Schembri-Wismayer

Call to Order: Call to order at 7:03pm by J. Brehm, seconded by A. Schram.

Consent Agenda: Call to approve the Consent agenda, motion made by J. Brehm, seconded by A. Schram.

- 1. February 2022 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
- 2. L2S Director's Report
- 3. Synchro Director's Report

Reports:

1. Junior Board Report-

- a. Discussion on goodie bags for L2S skaters for Ice Show. Junior Board members will be volunteering hours with the Prop Shop. Senior posters for passing Senior Tests will be made and posted. Discussion on making sure to enforce rules for the Locker room===no phone, no food, no photography.
- 2. Director's Report
 - a. No report
- 3. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Budget is favorable. No major changes since the February report.
- 4. President's Report
 - a. Need to start planning our Annual Banquet, discussion on having food. Looking to book a room at 125 Live for May 13th.

Discussion/Decisions

- 1. Ice Show Update
 - a. Picture Day Recap- Went well. What do we think about group shots in the future? Board feedback was that the headshots are great and have been well received. Having a scheduled set time is great, maybe add a make-up date. An idea was presented to do group shots at the final dress rehearsal, by a parent(s), taking pictures and sharing those out to the Club.
 - b. Cast Party will be Friday, Apr 22, 2022 at Bowlocity. Raising price to \$10.

- c. Guest skaters are booked.
- d. Volunteer Sign-ups will be coming out soon.
- 2. New Club Logo and Merchandise
 - a. There will be two orders per year, a spring/summer and fall/winter with different merchandise offered each order.
 - b. The Junior Board is giving feedback on what types of merchandise to include with each seasonal offering.
- 3. Theater on Ice / Other Team Options
 - a. A survey will be sent to coaches to see if any are interested in becoming a TOI coach.
 - b. Then, discussion on sending out a survey to the Club to see what the interest is in having a TOI team, starting Fall 2022.
 - c. Discussion on having a group of skaters that have qualified for Nationals Showcase create a team ensemble for Nationals Showcase. What coach(es) would go, and how does that look?

Open Forum

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 18 at 7:00pm, which is the beginning of Show week, so we will cancel unless urgent or pressing issues/topics need to be discussed.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn by J. Brehm, seconded by L. Lee at 9:11pm.

Calendar

2022 Test Schedule:

May 10 June 14 August 2 November 8

Area Competition Schedule:

Skate Bloomington: April 8-9 Roseville: May 20-22 Skate St. Paul: July 22-24 Robin Lee: August 5-7 MN State Championships and TCFSA Open: August 18-20

Statistics (Contract Skaters)

June 2018:	123	
July 2018:	104	
August 2018:	104	
September 2018:	122	
October 2018:	122	
February 2019:	124	
April 2019:	126	
May 2019:	123	
February 2020:	125	
October 2020:	96	(Adults not included)
May 2021:	102	(11 Graduating Seniors and ~14 Juniors included)
September 2021:	111	(Includes 14 adults)

Open Volunteer Slots:

Testing Co-Chair Competition Officials Hospitality Show Program Ad Sales Show Costume Distribution Show Chair

Learn2Skate Board Report

March 2022.

- Spring 2022: The Spring session started 3/7 and goes to 5/21 (8 weeks) with no Learn2skate classes 3/21-4/2 due to Spring break and Return of the Robin tournament; 4/18-4/23 due to show week.
 - o L2S show rehearsals are 4 weeks 3/7-3/12; 3/14-3/19; 4/4-4/9; 4/11-4/16
 - o Explorers show group will rehearse the first four weeks of the Spring session. There will be an Explorers Spring fling session (3weeks) 5/2-5/16.
- Blade and Buddies camp will be 6/20-6/24/22 from 12:30-5:00 Monday-Thursday and Friday from 12:30-6:30. There will be a pizza party and exhibition on Friday. The exhibition will be open to families to come and watch and will be from 5:30-6:30pm.
- Summer 2022: The Summer Session starts 7/5-8/18 (7 weeks). Classes will be on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Spring 2022	**Spring 2021	L2S Show	
Skaters-402	Skaters-200	2021-65**	
Starts-485	Starts-308	2022-109	

**Please note that the numbers reflect a decrease in numbers due to the pandemic and the Executive order guidelines.

Synchronized Director's report to the Board for February 2022

I spent time on the following things:

- Submitted team photos for a show program ad.
- Compiled an email list and sent information to perspective synchro skaters to come try skating with the Aspire team on April 6th.
- Sent emails to a few perspective 22-23 Open Juvenile level synchro skaters.
- Determined and sent out information for team placement that will take place in May. Sent this to all current team members as well as Anne for the portal registration and ENews. Also had Elizabeth Thornton skate the required stroking and steps and posted these videos on YouTube for access by skaters who will try out.
- Invited specific skaters to try skating with the teams.
- Sent info to the teams to make them aware of Synchro Nationals and how to watch when they occurred. Did the same for Junior Worlds and included a Live Stream link.
- Sent Tim updated results for the website, again.
- Various and assorted communications about the teams with managers and parents.

I am very happy to report that all three teams took first place at the Eau Claire competition. They all skated well, and Kristina and I were thrilled to return with three first place trophies!

- Vikki Dalquist