

OSC Board Meeting

November 9, 2009

6:30pm Goggin Ice Arena Rm 227

Present: Cathy Leonard, Paula M., Tim L., Kelli Q., Emily C., Herbert J., Stephen Davis, Krista S., Bev S.

Consent Agenda

The skater family's idea has not been made official so that will have to happen before we make it happen within the teams. Team manager meetings dates and times need to be given to the board so that those who need to be there can attend. Layne would like to get the absent letter for the kids out so it can be turned in as we will be leaving for Dr. Porter in a few weeks.

The remainder of the consent agenda was fine.

Minutes

Paula asked for more description in the minutes as to why the Pilates classes were cancelled. That was added to the minutes.

The minutes of the 10/12/2009 were accepted.

Treasurer's Report

Checking balance is \$25,863.14. Savings is \$3,307.94. Credit card balance is \$4,247.24. SSS fund account balance is \$1,298.88. Earning \$71.50 from Skate sale. Balance also after \$500.00 in 2009-2010 scholarships awarded and applied to team fees. The SSS committee reviewed five applicants and awarded two winners, Melissa Vogerl and Amanda McGoldrick each a \$250 scholarship. All applicants were notified of the results by Oct. 31, 2009. Outstanding team fees are \$42,219.80. The family that left OSC was contacted the first week of November to pay their outstanding team fees for their daughter. The membership chair was asked to record not in good standing with the club for all competitions and testing purposes until fees are paid.

Synchro Director's Report

1) Team Managers have been meeting regularly to discuss best practices & team spirit. They have decided to work initially within the teams that practice most together & then across teams. I will be following up with the group to see what their next step is.

2) Dresses/Shirt (can't forget Zach!) are in for most programs & looking very good! Coaches are working with Team Managers on details such as hair/makeup.

3) Clarification regarding parent coffee talk discussing tests - Members of the Beginner Teams cannot pass their Preliminary MIF before competing at a USFS event, they are encouraged to learn their Preliminary MIF if that is the level they are on & test once they USFS competitions are complete (so as early as March) if their private lesson coach thinks they are prepared. Coaches have been getting questions on this.

4) I will be setting up a Synchronized Skating Committee Meeting in the next 2 weeks to discuss promotion of try-outs/open house: -Advertising in the sectional program with a good luck ad & general information-Creation of flyers, invitations to share with friends etc

5) All Varsity Hockey Game Exhibition Dates have been set & are as follows:

Dec 4th 1st Intermission - Oxford Skating Club Beginner 1 Team

Dec 4th 2nd Intermission - Oxford Skating Club Beginner 3 Team

Dec 12th 2nd intermission - Oxford Skating Club Preliminary Team

Feb 5th 2nd intermission - Oxford Skating Club Open Juvenile Team

Feb 19th 2nd intermission - Oxford Skating Club Intermediate Team

I would suggest that we have either you as president or Karen as sychro chair work with ICA to coordinate purchasing of tickets. Here are the contacts: D'Angelo Solomon 513-529-4104 or Ellie Zabielski 513-529-0402

6) I will be contact John Neeb, Head Coach for Talawanda Hockey, about the possibility of teams exhibiting during their games.

7) Beginner 3 does not have competition at Fraser, the coaching staff is discussing whether to make the decision to attend this event or allow the parents to vote. If you would gather some feedback from the board for Staci, Karen, Paula, you & I to discuss, that would be great.

Board discussion on Beginner 3

The board feels the team should still travel and exhibit at the competition. It will be a good experience for all. Herbert will talk with Staci and Lee Ann as far as timing to tell the team and to get them excited about exhibiting.

Old Business

Wednesday Ice

David would like to get the flyer out soon to get people excited and ready to join for spring semester. Herbert has the flyer and would like David to look it over and add whatever he would like and try to have it out in two weeks. Herbert will add that there is a higher freestyle level and a lower level to accommodate all who would like to participate. There will be ten total practices this time.

Holiday Show

Kelli feels we are at a very comfortable place with lots of volunteering in all the right places. It was decided to charge a flat rate price for those 5 years and up, with children 5 free with a program charge of \$3.00. A suggestion was made to open the doors early to let people come in and get situated, but there is currently an ISI test session and we would not want to distract the testers. Anne Bruce is handling all the vendors for the Holiday show with four so far.

Room 227

This room is fine to use for our once a month board meetings, but if we are using it on a regular basis then we will need to pay the fee to use it. No one should be requesting room 227 for OSC unless it is Herbert or another officer. Also, from now on, any time we need chairs or tables we need to ask Lindsay Fenton first.

New Business

Test session fees- There was a suggestion to add a \$4.00 per test fee to all tests. After looking over these past years' sessions it seems as though we broke even. We do not feel the need to change this fee at this time.

High school lettering program- It has been brought to the board's attention that a lettering program might be a worthwhile opportunity to look into for some of the surrounding schools. It is a project that can easily be discussed with local school personnel to find out what would be involved, number of competitions, hours of skating, etc... Tim has agreed to speak to someone who may know more about this and we will see if USFS has a letter or info to cover this.

Pin/Magnet fundraiser- Herbert was sent information about having club members buy pins or magnets that can be personalized and the club would earn a certain profit from this. This idea was quickly discussed and decided against for now.

Mascot- Mike Jernigan brought the idea forth that OSC needs a mascot! Some other clubs have a mascot and it could be fun to have a little fell to represent OSC as well. Something like a blue jay named crystal with skates and a cute scarf was tossed around. More discussion to come.

Pictures- The board discussed whether to have a photographer come in and take a club picture as well as team pictures or to just use the competition pictures. Tim is checking with the photographer he knows to see price and time frame.

The next board meeting is scheduled for December 7th at 6:45pm in room 227. This is a change from our usual second Monday.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Shrader