

Wayne Westland Figure Skating Club

Meeting Minutes 10-27-2020

Present via Zoom: Shaun T, Amy H, Sharon M, Bill G, Dave P, Laurie S, Tess K, Renee B

Meeting called to order at 6:15pm.

Previous minutes reviewed and accepted with revisions discussed, motion by Shaun T, 2nd Laurie S.

Treasurer's Report: Beginning balance \$24,102.35, ending at \$23,472.47. Report attached.

President's Report: Planning to install the retractable curtain sometime after the Competition. The Glenmore trails excursion looked like it was fun, sorry to have missed it. January is National Skating Month. Per our bylaws the club needs to have 2-3 meetings per year with all members. We have had 1 so far. Discussed having meetings at the beginning, middle and end of the year, and planning one after the Competition. We could have one after the Holidays and talk about the Ice Show, Test Session and volunteer requirements.

MMIA Report: Tess is talking with Joe about Freestyle- Ice Monday, Tuesday, Thursday-unsure of a 3:00 start. There are games some nights so the 3:00-5:50 is yet to be confirmed. Joe would like it to start at 3:30. Figure Skating Information Station sign had arrived. Off Ice classes are online since we aren't allowed in the rink for them. Launching the Aspire Program in January. Information will be posted on the website and in the rink for people to go to for information. Ordering National Skating Month kit for January. Bill recommended to contact Dorothy Tank to see if she ordered for us or if we need to pay and get reimbursed. The Holiday Ice Show is on the schedule. There is a confirmed Covid 19 case from the Bell Tire 14U Girls that use our rink. Future Club Activities can be displayed at the Skater Information Station. Discussion on how to get our artwork to a new company for Spirit wear orders. Bill's daughter Erin has a company called Ink Impressions. She can put up a storefront for clubs to go to buy whatever they want. It can be used as a fundraiser with a higher price point going to the club. Bill will ask Erin to contact Tess with information.

Delegate Report: Tri State Council will reimburse officials up to \$150 for Judges to purchase their own headsets and also for Announcers to purchase their own microphones. The WWFSC is officially on the membership lists for Tri State and Metro Council. Music kits have additional microphones to change in between announcers to sanitize or keep for use later in the event. Plexiglass dividers will be used when 6 feet of space is not possible.

Committee Reports:

A. Competition: Setting up Judges stands in left and right hockey boxes. A walk through was done with Bobbie, she is ok the flow created for the competition. She wants stickers on the floor 6 feet apart in the lobby area. She may insist on the Judges room door to be kept open for air flow, with a fan pulling air in from one doorway and another pulling air out to the arena. The Accountant will be in Locker Room 1 so no runners are entering the Judges room. Need to check with the videographer about live streaming the events on his website or on our Facebook page if the wifi is strong enough to support it. Discussion on taping off bleachers where spectators can sit. Bill recommends deferring this to Joe and let the Arena manager decide. The Judges will bring their own drinks and snacks, clipboards, pens and pencils. A Jimmy John's box lunch is \$11.50 for a sandwich, chips and cookie or pickle. Angelo Brothers can plate separate orders and Karma Cafe can accommodate as needed. We can decide what options to offer them. A suggestion was made to set up a tent outside to hand out medals or to pick up medals at the side door by the zamboni room. We will finalize this plan when we know what the temps will be. Skaters will wear masks at all times except during their program. We will have bins available to put their masks, gloves, guards, jackets in to be taken to the exit near the zamboni end. The bins will be sanitized before reusing. We need 2 thermometers, 1 for Judges and 1 for Skaters, coaches, etc.

There will be an 8 skater max, we can't have 24 people in the lobby. The skater, parent and coach will enter the rink in small groups and check in. Ask Joe about raising several sections of plexiglass every other panel 8 inches so coaches can talk to their skaters while they are on the ice. When skaters warm up they come back through the same opening spaced out, the next group will not be in that space yet. There will be a straight line of skaters in the lobby waiting to go out to the warm up area. Our Skaters can help with sanitizing and running baskets and sanitizing needed areas. Club members are needed to help volunteer, use Sign up Genius. Bill will provide definitions and positions needed. There are 32 skaters signed up so far. Many will not compete against anyone. The largest amount of skaters tend to sign up in the last 2 days. If the competition is not able to go on we could use the rink for our skaters. After the sign up is closed Bobbie will get the schedule out ASAP. Discussion on making a video of the flow through the rink for participants from 7-8 pm on Friday. Tess has the rink lay out and will send Bill a picture of it in a Jpeg. Bill can use that to create the flow and areas to be in. Laurie, Tess, Shaun and Bill are meeting with Mia tomorrow about the progress of the Competition.

B. Membership: We have one new member, Mackenzie Miller.

C. Media: Tess posted about the Deadline for Saturday night for the Competition sign up on the website. Renee shared it on Facebook.

D. Skaters Advisory: Needs to be rebooted, ask the skaters. Our chosen mascot is an Ombre Pink Flamingo in a spiral or spin position, wearing a scarf with our logo or WWFSC in club colors and tracing on the ice. Motion by Shaun and 2nd by Sharon to give Nina's friend a gift card for \$25 and give them artist credit on our website, no oppositions. We will let the girls be in control of the committee and to lead it knowing we are here to support them with whatever they need. Renee will get the gift card.

E. Fundraising: It's a hard time to raise funds with so many struggling families and we shouldn't have people coming in to pick things up. Instead we could pick a charity to help and be a part of the community. We don't need the money right now.

F. Test Session: Plan for February.

Old Business: Dave and Bill will install the mixer on November 10th. Wiring for the Ice Show will be planned at a later date. Need to set a date for bleacher clean up, possibly on a Friday after Learn to Skate. Dave will set a date.

New Business: Starting an active program for skaters with disabilities. What type of certification is needed? A rink in Ann Arbor has the biggest program in the country. We would like to be more inclusive and diverse. We tried to do this 2 years ago, Joe said no due to the liability and insurance costs. Shaun will send an exploratory message to disability networks to see if there would be interest and create more traffic to our club. Group homes may be looking for outings. Tess will reach out to the Ann Arbor rink. Sharon will check with Special Olympics to see if they would be interested in having our old medals. Shaun and Tess will work on medals for the Competition.

Motion to adjourn at 7:57pm by Shaun T, 2nd by Renee.

Next meeting is on 11-24-2020 at 6:00pm