Wenatchee Figure Skating Club

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, September 24, 2026

Location: Conference Room (2nd Floor) at Town Toyota Center

Attendees: Patrick Smith (President), Jaime Poole (Vice President), Jaime Pakinas (Treasurer), Miho Motoyama (Secretary), Brian Bolz (Member at Large), Dennis Villacis (Member at Large), Ashley Tike (Skating Director), and Kristin Dennett (Member)

The meeting was called to order at 5:57 p.m.

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1. Apple Ice Classic 2026

Jamie Pakinas (Co-competition chair) provided an update on the AIC/PNIC 2026 competition, along with a conversation she has had with Pam Dawson, PNIC president.

The competition revenue was lower than hoped; however, the event did not result in a financial loss. Major expenses included airfare, hotel accommodations, and rental cars for out-of-town judges. Because there are not enough high-level judges available in the Pacific Northwest, judges had to travel from outside the area to officiate the National Qualifying Series (NQS) events.

PNIC also rented IJS scoring devices to provide instant results during the competition which increased additional expenses.

Miho also consulted with Pam regarding next year's competition. Pam explained that renting the IJS scoring devices would cost the club approximately $2,600, in addition to the cost of hiring a Data Controller (additional official) to oversee the scoring system. The board will need to consider these additional expenses when planning next year's competition. Although faster results would be beneficial to skaters and families, implementing this system could significantly increase the overall cost of hosting the competition.

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2. 2026 Holiday Ice Show

A) Registration

Registration for the 2026 Holiday Ice Show included 33 club skaters and 33 Learn to Skate skaters as of today. Registration for Learn to Skate participants remained open, and additional registrations are expected.

B) Coaching Team and Compensation

Ashley will choreograph the closing number, and Lily will be in charge of the opening number. Ella, Kaili, and Lisa (parent) will volunteer to choreograph and coach the Learn to Skate numbers. All other large group numbers will be choreographed and coached by Ashley, Lily, and Leo under the direction of Teka, the show director.

The board will establish a proposed budget for coaching compensation and approach Teka to review the proposed compensation with the coaches. A board vote on coaching fees will be needed.

C) Volunteer Coordinator

Kristin Dennett (Clara's mom) volunteered to serve as the Holiday Ice Show volunteer coordinator for this year. She will coordinate and oversee parent volunteers in preparation for the show and during the show days.

D) Advertisement and Marketing

Leo will assist with advertising the show on social media. Rick (Madison's family) may also assist with promoting the show through local radio stations.

E) Holiday Ice Show Tickets

The board discussed the challenges of generating additional ticket sales. Selling more tickets is strongly encouraged to help cover the overall costs of the Holiday Ice Show, particularly in light of the increased ice fees, along with other show-related expenses such as coaching fees, costumes, props, and other production costs.

Dennis suggested that each participating skater or family be responsible for selling or paying for 10 mandatory paper tickets for the Holiday Ice Show. Online ticket sales would not count toward the mandatory 10 tickets.

Parents who volunteer for the shows will still need to pay for one show.

Patrick moved to adopt Dennis' proposal, and Brian seconded the motion. The motion was carried.

Miho volunteered to sort and distribute the tickets and collect ticket payments. The club would accept cash and checks for payment.

F) Sponsorship Programs

Teka and Dennis have been contacting local companies to seek sponsorships for the Holiday Ice Show.

Teka had secured some sponsorship donation money, with the total amount still to be determined. Dennis had contacted approximately 30 local companies, and several companies had already expressed interest in supporting the show.

The club would continue reaching out to local businesses to obtain additional sponsorships.

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3. Junior Board Social

Ashley mentioned that junior board members and other helpers are planning to get together to walk around town and distribute flyers to advertise the Holiday Ice Show. They would also reach out to local businesses to ask about possible donations for the show.

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4. Student/Parent Self-Leadership Program

Miho brought up the Student/Parent Self-Leadership Program recommended by U.S. Figure Skating for all club members and parents. She has forwarded the registration information to coaches so that they can reach out to their skaters and families.

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5. WFSC Online Store

Teka has suggested for the club to have an official club online store to be able to purchase figure skating and club related merchandise with our club logo. Patrick moved the motion and Jaime Pakinas seconded. The motion was carried and Teka will explore more options on setting the club online store up.

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6. Liability Insurance

Patrick was able to obtain the liability insurance policy on behalf of the board.

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7. Miscellaneous

A) Miho moved the motion to approve the July board meeting and Brian seconded. Brian also called the August board meeting an executive session, therefore, there are no board meeting minutes for the month of August.

B) The club/board is continuing to look for a seventh board member.

C) The next board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 15.

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8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.