

## **Wenatchee Figure Skating Club Board Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** Thursday, July 24, 2025

**Location:** Conference room (2nd floor) at TTC

**Attendees:** Patrick Rizzs-Smith (President), Vicki Campbell (Vice President), Karissa Gerber (Treasurer), Miho Motoyama (Secretary), Brian Bolz (Member at Large), and Jaime Pakinas (Member at Large)

The meeting is called to order at 5:45pm.

### **Treasurer Report**

- 1) Karissa, a new treasurer, has been working with Corinne and Vicki to obtain all the necessary financial documents and checkbooks so that she can start recording the club's income and expenses.
- 2) Karissa has also communicated with Numerica Credit Union (the club bank) to put her name on the account so that she can be authorised to start writing checks on behalf of the club.
- 3) Furthermore, she has been working on learning and understanding the club quickbooks as she will be providing financial records at future board meetings.

### **Secretary Report**

- 1) Addendum via email communications between board members on July 15: Miho's proposal of increasing the club in-person test fee by \$5 (each test) was approved by board members with a majority of votes. This proposal was due to the fee increase in both U.S. Figure Skating test fee and the ice time fee.
- 2) Both May and June board meeting minutes as well as June annual club meeting minutes were reviewed, and Brian first made a motion to approve those minutes and Vicki seconded the motion.

### **The Club In-Person Test Session**

#### **(Per Miho, Test chair)**

- 1) The club will host an in-person testing session on Friday, August 15, the day before Apple Ice Classic.
- 2) The Entryeeze registration site is open and the notification email was sent to all club members so that skaters can start signing up online (Deadline: 8/1/25)

- 3) Since we have qualified test judges and Caleb (a dance coach/partner) coming to Wenatchee, we can offer skating skills, singles, and ice dance tests from pre-preliminary to all the way up to gold level.

### **Apple Ice Classic 2025**

#### **(Per Jamie, Co-competition chair)**

- 1) The AIC registration has closed and Mike Otis (a chief referee) is currently working on the master schedule.
- 2) Jaime/Anna will communicate with Melissa soon to set up the AIC volunteer site for people to start signing up.
- 3) Qualified medical volunteers are often harder to find, and Jaime is looking for a volunteer with a proper qualification to fill the 8:00am-1:00pm slot on Saturday and 8:00am-12:00pm slot on Sunday. (Corinne has graciously offered to help with the 1:00pm-4:00pm slot on Saturday)
- 4) Other competition related tasks such as ordering medals and working with vendors are being done smoothly in a timely manner.

#### **(Per Vicki, Online registrar)**

- 5) For AIC this year, a total of 125 skaters have been registered including 6 teams and 218 starts which are estimated to be about 50 more starts than last year.
- 6) Competitors' and judges/officials' badges are made by Vicki and will be printed by Anna.

#### **(Per Miho, Hotel coordinator)**

- 7) So far, 18 rooms with a discounted block rate (\$189 plus tax) have been reserved out of 20 rooms we initially have held with 50% attrition. Since we have passed our attrition requirement, we will not be penalized.
- 8) One of the technical specialists (Ann Doherty) had to cancel coming to AIC last minute due to her medical reason. Since then, Mike has talked with Beth Crane to get help with IJS events and we ended up not having to fly another TS out of state which saved us a huge expense. Beth is also a judge who lives locally and doesn't need a hotel reservation which is also an advantage to keep the competition expenses low.
- 9) Since there was no objection, appreciation gifts to judges and officials of AIC and test judges remain the same as previous year (Amazon gift cards: \$45 to judges who help with both the test session and AIC, and \$30 to rest of the judges/officials who assist at AIC)

**(Per Brian, Operations manager)**

- 10) This year's showcase competition events at AIC will have a partition dividing the ice by setting up the black curtains. This will provide competitors time and space to practice before their turn to skate.

**Miscellaneous**

**Fundraising**

- 1) Karissa brought up a question of how the club members can get involved in more activities to raise money for the club. Brian commented that fundraising is necessary and something the club/board needs to talk about.
- 2) The club can consider planning/participating in smaller fundraising events such as Wenatchee Wild Chuck-a-Puck or car wash. Another idea is to start contacting various local businesses for earning corporate sponsorships (Confluence Health, Stemilt, and etc.) In addition, the club should continue to apply every year for grants with Chelan County and the City of Wenatchee lodging tax funds which help AIC and Holiday ice show expenses.

The meeting was called to adjourn at 6:51pm.