



Board Meeting Minutes
October 16th, 2011
6:30 @ VFW Arena (Upstairs)

Call To Order

Board members present: Angie Brockmeyer, Marla Wolfe, Haley Thorson, Beth Vetter, Rachel Hemsing, Shawn Egeland, and Lori Zeman. Absent: Jeannie Fenton and Anna Dumas.

Others present: Katie Boespflug and Shannon Kronlund.

Request for additions / changes to the Agenda (*additions will be addressed only if time allows*)

Secretary's Report

Shawn had emailed September minutes taken by Lori in Haley's absence.

Motion to approve the Secretary's Report by Shawn Egeland...seconded by Rachel Hemsing ...all in favor.

Treasurer's Report

Lori has been training in with Sandy. Lori a general balance sheet date 10/16 and a concessions balance sheet. There was not much activity beyond the Craft Show this month. Craft Show concessions were up \$59 over last year. The rulebooks and the REA Tryout Ice were both expensed as noted on the balance sheet. A \$500 pre-payment was also made to Sam Melquist for the airbrushed team t-shirts.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report by Haley Thorson...seconded by Shawn Egeland...all in favor.

Shannon Kronlund was also present at the meeting to ask for permission, as a parent and member of the club, to solicit Corporate Sponsorships from area businesses. These funds would help defray costs to skaters for various items. The board unanimously agreed that this would be good to look into.

Motion to create a Corporate Sponsorship Committee (Shannon K to chair) by Shawn Egeland...seconded by Lori Zeman...all in favor.

Correspondence

A letter was received from UMD announcing that they now have a synchro team.

A letter was received that the south Frandsen Bank branch would be closing at the end of the year.

A hard copy of the Border Blades' Basic Skill Comp was received. This has been up on the NLFSC website for a while now.

A thank you was received from Leah Black for the scholarship funds.

Good Standing Certificates were received from USFSA.

A Skater's Consortium announcement was received. It will be held in Minneapolis.

Parks & Rec Update - Request for Payments

Parks and Rec has requested that NLFSC and the BLC split the \$677.77 cost for the Fall Activities Brochure/Mailing. This is something that the club has paid for in the past, but has not for the last 3 years.

Motion to approve the \$339 (1/2 of the bill) for the P&R brochure by Shawn Egeland...seconded by Haley Thorson...all in favor.

Shawn had also met with Parks and Rec about updating the Audio system. The members of the board thought it might be fair to ask Parks and Rec to look at updating the systems in both arenas and split 3 ways.

Coordinator Update/Requests - (Chaperone Fees/Coaches Reimbursement/ Basic Skills Coaches Fees)

Katie distributed a written list of updates and requests. Highlights are as follows

Coaches fees were discussed. In May, the board had agreed to pay for 50% of the \$960 in coaches fees for the synchro coaches.

Motion to increase Coaches Fees payment by the board to 100% by Beth Vetter ...seconded by Shawn Egeland...all in favor.

Skating registrations have gone up for the season.

Katie will be purchasing a NLFSC jacket for the new synchro coach, Mallory Olson.

Katie reported that there was some confusion about Hugos Books among parents. She will contact Jeannie to follow up. One of the concerns was that there were skaters/parents who were selling books prior to the release of the fundraiser to the rest of the club. A statement regarding this will be emailed to the club.

Katie has also requested that the club subsidize free or reduced USFSA testing to all club members.

Motion to approve 2 Free USFSA Tests for each club member during the 2011-2012 season by Shawn Egeland...seconded by Haley Thorson...all in favor.

Chaperone Fees

The board discussed setting a fee for chaperones for the 2011-2012 season. Shawn suggested \$25 for hotel and \$40 for bus. Some felt that this might be too large of an increase from last year. It was also revisited that the hotel is sometimes cheaper than \$100/night, but some felt that it also sometimes may be more, and that \$25 was a fair price. While the club is not trying to profit from charging chaperones to travel, some felt that at least recouping some travel costs covered by the club would allow the club to sustain funding.

Motion to charge \$25 for bus and \$25 for hotel by Marla Wolfe ...seconded by Beth Vetter. In favor: Haley Thorson, Rachel Hemsing, Lori Zeman, and Angie Brockmeyer. Opposed: Shawn Egeland.

Concessions

Dibs shifts have been updated through November.

Fundraising

The ability to carryover fundraising dollars was allowed last season. A discussion occurred on what happens to the \$ if a skater should decide not to skate.

Motion to allow carryover fundraising dollars to sit for 1 season or be donated to a sibling otherwise forfeited to the general fund by Shawn Egeland...seconded by Beth Vetter...all in favor.

Adjourn

Next Meeting Date: November 13th, 6:30pm, VFW Arena