

Silver Blades FSC
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
April 20, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 pm at 1117 Morey Avenue *the Social Work House on the University of Findlay campus). Board members present were: Amy Boes, Christie Lammers, Rachel Gregory, Mary Pat Longo, Tim Manley, Michael Lutz, Cassie Muzy, and Meredith Pitt. Head Pro Christy Wronkowitz was also present.

A. HEAD PRO REPORT

Christy Wronkowitz shared with the Board:

- 1. Skating after Silver Blades session** (professional opportunities, ISI scholarships); reach out to some of the SB alum to help with this session; stress that middle school/high school should attend, if interested; done during spring ice. Christy will look at May for this session.
- 2, Skater's Edge Program:** one evening or one afternoon (1-2 hours off ice; 2-3 hours on ice broken into groups). Focus will be on edge quality, presentation, basic skating skills, and showmanship. Looking at the end of May for this program. Matthew Blackmer, Charlotte Maxwell, Jean Luc Baker, Kaitlyn Hawayek, Ryan Devereaux have agreed to help with this program. Might want to attach this program to the Skating After Silver Blades session.
- 3. Try It Session:** Flyers have been printed. May 6th and 13th are the dates for these sessions from 6:30 – 7. Deadline to register is May 1st. Will run like the fall try-it session. Meredith will provide pamphlets.
- 4. Group Designations:** Christy suggested that the Board be prepared for the results of the June 25th testing session and how that will affect groupings in the fall.

B. MEETING MINUTES

Mary Pat made the following suggestions to be added to the February 16, 2015 minutes:

- Add “Blackmer” to Matthew on the seminar
- Add “Towell” to Cody
- Add the following sentence after the alumni skate discussion:
Due to liability restraints, the individuals who will be participating in the alumni number have to be graduates of Silver Blades.
- Change “except” to “accept” in the next line.

As amended, Rachel Gregory moved to accept the minutes; Michael Lutz seconded the motion. The minutes, as amended above, were accepted.

C. TREASURER'S REPORT

Cassie Muzy presented the Board with the expenses and income of the 2015 Ice Classics show. The Board discussed the ticket sales' outlets, and Cassie stated that Karen Warner will be taking over the outlet sales from Julie Stevens

Publicity Discussion

Mary Pat Longo suggested that the Club become more social media-savvy. She suggested using Facebook more prolifically, and adding a Twitter account, getting in on Social Findlay, and starting a blog. She has volunteered to take this on.

Rachel Gregory asked for a break-down of the sponsor monies that came in, and Cassie responded that both Findlay Walmart locations donated \$1000 each and Marathon donated \$2500. Rachel asked for pictures to be sent to her so Walmart could place them on their community wall.

D. SHOW CHAIR REPORT

Mary Pat reported that we had our show wrap up meeting at Greek Garden.

E. TESTING AND COMPETITIONS

TESTING

Meredith made the motion to add the following: **if a skater passes the compulsory portion of testing, but does not pass the program portion, the next time the skater tests, they would only have to skate their program to be assessed. Testing fees will remain unaffected. The skater will not change levels until both portions are passed. This will be implemented September 1, 2015.** Amy Boes seconded the motion. The board voted and approved the motion.

Cassie also suggested that, if a skater voluntarily withdraws from a testing session, no testing fees will be returned. It is suggested that the term "non-refundable" be added to the testing paperwork.

COMPETITIONS

Cassie reported that Katie is putting together a production team for Worlds. **Cassie requested that Silver Blades pay for two ice sessions in order to keep their costs below \$125 (\$133 per session for a total of \$300).** Rachel Gregory moved to accept the request; Michael Lutz seconded. The board voted and approved the motion.

May 1st is the deadline for registration for Worlds. Amy reported that hotel rooms are available under the name of Silver Blades for \$89 a night.

F. RULES AND ICE

The committee had nothing to report.

G. MEMBERSHIP

Meredith relayed a conversation that she had with Gary Fink regarding the possibility of having sponsorships from businesses. The board determined that it would cause more legal issues than the Board was willing to address.

H. SPECIAL EVENTS/SOCIAL

Amy Boes has flyers for the Try-It Session flyers.

I. TEAM SKATING

Amy discussed having a summer get together with the production team and synchro teams.

Senior Youth Synchro is skating at Worlds in Chicago.

J. PROFESSIONALS

Michael asked if there was anything that the board would like to add to the coach's application. Email any suggestions to Michael on the coach and/or head pro application.

The board discussed the deadline for head pro applications. Head pro applications will be due May 15, 2015.

K. WAYS AND MEANS

No report at this time.

L. VOLUNTEER COORDINATORS

Rachel asked board members to contact her regarding volunteers who worked throughout the season.

Meredith and Cassie will send out an email with the days and times to cover for sessions for spring ice to make sure there is coverage.

The board discussed how to get more parents involved in volunteer opportunities.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussed headsets and the need for improved headset with the new radios.

NEW BUSINESS

The board discussed the document Michael emailed that was discussed during the show-wrap up meeting at the beginning of April.

Christy excused herself from the meeting. Michael asked the board if there was anything that they wished to add to Christy's evaluation. The board will revisit this discussion at the May 18th meeting.

The next board meeting will be Monday, May 18th at The Cube at 6:30. The new board will be seated at that meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 pm.

