

SILVER BLADES BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 19, 2016 @ 6:30 p.m.

The Cube

In attendance: Jen Warner, Jen Keys, Mike Fennema, Mindee Heater, Mary Goebel-Komala, Christie Lammers, Cassie Muzy, Michael Lutz, Tim Manley, Amy Boes, Amy DeMarsh

Absent: Mary Pat Longo, Robin Ayers,

❖ Meeting brought to order

❖ Approval of the prior meeting minutes –August Board Meeting Minutes approved with corrections. Tim Manley motioned to approve the minutes as edited. Jen Keys seconded the motion. All in favor-10, opposed-0

Committee Updates:

- **Treasures Report-** Cassie reviewed open paid sign in process and punch cards for open paid sessions. There will be a binder in the file cabinet of emergency medical and concussion forms. Open paid punch cards will be sold on opening day, September 24th for \$100.00.
- **Rules and Ice-Testing:** when a skater is testing two levels at a time, they must have a musical program for both test levels. If a skater is testing three levels, they must have a program for the highest level testing.
- **Testing and Competition-**The next test session is Saturday, September 24th. Competition forms were sent out. They are due October 8th.
- **Membership** –Cassie discussed a half-year membership option (September-December). They would pay and participate for a partial year, 12 weeks, ending with the Holiday Exhibition; this would appeal to any skater who wants to skate for the first half of the season but not participate in the ice show or the whole season. Amy DeMarsh motioned to approve the partial membership option, Tim Manley seconded the motion. All in favor-10, opposed-0.
A free try-it out session will be held Saturday September 24th 11:30-noon.
- **Professionals** – Marianne retired, Katie C. moved out of town, Hannah Lee moved, Joy Thomas is not coaching this season due to family and career obligations. Current coaches registered: Christy, Molly, Annette, Catherine,

Madison, Sheri, Cody, Alexa. No information yet from Tracy, Shelly, Laurie, or Kim F. Possible use of Junior Instructors for group A.

- **Team Skating-Synchro:** hotel rooms booked at Courtyard Marriott in Hamilton for the Winter Classic in February. Production is moving forward, Molly Kerr will be coaching, and she is looking for another coach. 13 skaters are currently registered for Production. Synchro, Production, and Ensemble will be doing a Shirley's Popcorn fundraiser.
- **Volunteers-**Mike is working on filling volunteer slots for opening day, September 24th. Three open-paid sessions weekly will be covered by board members, group B, C, D sessions will be covered by non-board members.
- **Ways and means/Fundraisers-**Fall Spirit Wear order forms will be emailed to members and forms will be available at the rink. Fundraising opportunity through Yankee Candles will run October 3rd-October 13th for holiday orders. Restaurant night calendar is being put together to cover the whole season.
- **Special Events-**The Fall Freeze was held last Saturday. The Halloween parade registration is open. The season kick-off picnic was cancelled due to weather. It will be rescheduled for October 1st at 10:45 at The Cube. Dates for the end of season/ice show banquet was discussed. Pencils will be ordered with show theme and dates to hand out at the Halloween Parade in October.
- **Ice Show-**Publicity Committee (Mike and Christie) is looking into options for local advertising for the Christmas Exhibition, Fall Competition, and the Ice Classics in March. Patron and Corporate Sponsor forms will be sent out this week.

❖ New Business:

- Coach Christy has been asked to bring a group to participate in Skate it Forward in Columbus in May. Each skater would be asked to raise 375\$ and there is a 150\$ fee to participate. All proceeds go to the Ronald McDonald House. Silver Blades board will need to ask for ice time at The Cube and BGSU. If ice time is not donated, the board would have to pay for the ice time. More information will be collected regarding ice time and funding. A vote will be taken at the next board meeting in October.
- USFSA-starting with Learn to Skate. Seeking further information regarding merging the rest of the club. There are 3 levels; Interim, Provisional (can't vote at regional meetings), and Full. Will know more next month. Coaches

are attending a meeting Sunday September 25th regarding the US Learn to Skate program.

- Lindsey Fees contacted the board regarding whether there was a need for a website and social media volunteer. She offered to update the website as needed and offered to post on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram for the club. She is interested in gaining experience in the field to build a portfolio. The board is going to invite her to the next meeting to discuss what she can offer.

❖ **Conclusion of meeting.**

Next Meeting October 17th, 2016 at 6:30 at The Cube.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Tim Manley, motion seconded by Mary Goebel-Komala.

Respectfully submitted by Christie Lammers, Secretary