

BISMARCK FIGURE SKATING CLUB BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday December 10, 2020

5:45 p.m., Zoom Call

Members present: Calvin Kingsley, Denise Nelson, Tasha Scott, Missy Hetland, Michael Jacobson, Stephanie Longie, Jen Rambur, Kit Ebach, Becky Gallion, Emily Zahn, Jenny Renton, Kiki Schatz, Stacey Hanson, Jaclyn Hamlin

1. Call meeting to Order & Roll Call: The meeting was called to order at 5:53p.m. by president Calvin Kingsley.

2. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting: Jen Rambur made a motion to approve the minutes and Denise Nelson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carries. Minutes to be sent to the club members.

3. Treasurer's Report, Tasha Scott Tasha went over the check detail report and turned in the application for the Payment Protection Program (PPP) loan for forgiveness on December 1. Jen Rambur made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Michael Jacobson seconded it. All were in favor and motion carries.

4. Director's Reports

a. LTS, Emily Zahn

~ Winter 1 session will end on December 20th.

~ Registration for the Winter 2 session will be open next week. The session will run January 9th thru February 21st.

~ The reimbursements for the missed skating days due to the executive order have been refunded to all LTS skaters.

b. Advanced, Emily Zahn

~ So far this year most of the individual competitions have been cancelled. Currently, Minot is still planning to hold their competition the first week in February. I did hear that they have officially received their sanction for the competition.

~ As coaches we talked about potentially having a small test session sometime in January, but unfortunately there are no open weekend to hold a test session.

~ Our next test session will be March 5-7.

~ We will have Christmas break starting on December 23rd. There will be no skating from December 23rd thru December 27th. December 28, 29 and 30 we will have ice and again no individual skating January 1 or 2. The times have been sent out to the coaches and I will be creating a google doc for skaters to get signed up. We will resume our regular Winter ice schedule on January 4th.

~ I will be working on the advanced refunds for the missed ice time due to the executive order on Friday and I should be able to get them all completed.

~ The second installment for advanced ice is due in January.

c. Synchro, Becky Gallion

1. Teams were able to get back on the ice the week of November 30th to continue practicing after a 2 week break. The Thursday afternoon teams only ended up missing 1 week of practice due to the other week being the Thanksgiving holiday.
2. The Chips and Connection entered the full Porter competition after getting some ice the Sunday morning before the rink shut down. The Connection won the pewter medal in the juv division of the virtual event. The Chips won the gold medal in the intermediate division. The teams also entered best of element events for the competition. The Connection won the pivot block and traveling wheel. The Chips won the no hold block and pivot block and the Chill won the traveling wheel and pivot block! Great job to all teams on a clean sweep of the best of element events!
3. The Chips, Connection and Chill will be entering the Colonial Classic virtual competition event next week during practice. The competition takes place in early January.
4. We had to postpone our annual exhibition and pictures. We will be working to take pictures as we can get full teams at practice. This week the Cadence and Cascades are pulling dresses, make up, hair, etc together to get their pictures done. Thank you to Tasha and Nathan Scott at Platinum Photography for helping us with this monumental task! We are hopeful next week to get some of the older teams done as well. We will work to see if we can find an alternative date for the exhibition after Christmas.
5. We have canceled our yearly Christmas Party. Instead we will be getting the skaters a special little gift and having some cupcakes and juice at their final practices before the Christmas break.
6. As of right now the Chips, Connection and Chill will be attending the Fond du Lac competition in Wisconsin January 8-10.
7. Our competition is still scheduled to take place January 31st. We have judges, referees, tech, etc all set up. We have around 6 other clubs looking at possibly coming depending on their different practice situations and ice time.
8. The teams attending Maplewood have all been reimbursed either \$120 or \$170 for the Maplewood competition. The Crystals, Cadence, Cascades and Cubes teams have also been reimbursed \$35 for the cancellation of the Grand Forks event.

5. President's Report

a. Drop box at VFW: Mike Wald has agreed to allow a drop box at VFW like the one that is at the Capital Ice Complex. Tasha will find out where the box was purchased and if Travis can enlarge the opening on the box.

b. Advertising – Call for volunteers : So far no volunteers to chair the Advertising Committee. Calvin will serve as the main contact with Parks and Rec. until someone volunteers. Currently not a good climate to be contacting businesses to request that they purchase dasherboard advertising.

7. Unfinished Business

a. Volunteers – Required Volunteer Hours -Jen Rambur has had a couple of volunteers

and will set up a zoom meeting after the holidays.

b. COVID – Mask requirement, policy review, shutdown

General review of Club policies and some discussion about the shutdown and mask usage. While our policy strongly recommends mask usage, masks are required by the state at this time.

8. New Business

a. Fundraising idea – Raffle? – Mike Jacobson asked about doing a calendar raffle, where we would sell raffle tickets, and then pick 2 months where we give cash away every day. Stephanie Longlie has been in charge of a fundraiser like this and volunteered her services if we decide to do this fundraiser. The board has agreed that this would be a good idea, but not at this time.

b. Minutes – Kareen has asked Kalvin if we are able get them out to the Club membership sooner? - The minutes are currently sent out to the members approximately a month later, after the board meets and votes to approve them. Since the board only meets monthly, the minutes are sent out later than some people would like. We will be sending out this month's minutes as soon as possible.

c. Duck Race Finance Committee:

1. Because Sectionals and now Nationals are canceled, Chips, Chill, and Connection will hopefully get to go to Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. If they get to attend this competition, the committee would like them to fly. They believe that it would be safer than driving buses. Currently it looks like the cost would be \$900/skater at most. Since each skater raised over this amount, the committee wanted to ask the Board's approval.
2. The committee would like to give \$500 to each of these teams (Chips, Chill and Connection) to find a worthy cause/organization to give back to the community.
3. The committee would like to give \$500 to each of these teams (Chips, Chill and Connection) for money to be spent on competition-related team functions (i.e. lanyards and t-shirts for virtual competitions, food)
4. The committee would like to pay for all virtual competitions this year. Denise Nelson made a motion to approve the 3 proposals made by the Duck Race committee, and Missy Hetland seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carries.

9. Next Meeting: 1/14/21 at 6:45 via Zoom.

10. Adjourn at 6:45pm