**BFSC Board Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, March 11, 2021**

**5:45PM, VFW pro Shop**

Members present- Jen Rambur, Tasha Scott, Kalvin Kingsley, Kiki Schatz, Jenny Renton, Lucas Teigen, Mike Jacobson, Missy Hetland, Steph Longie, Lori Haar

1.) Call Meeting to Order - 5:45PM

2.) Approval of Minutes - Steph made a motion to approve, Jen 2nd, Motion passed.

3.) Treasurer Report - Tasha moved $100,000.00 from the Duck Race account to the money market.

Synchro Competition ended with a negative of $1,214.00 (still waiting on DVD money). This was better than expected for the first competition.

Lucas made a motion to approve the treasurer’s report, Steph 2nd Report passed.

4.)Directors Reports

a.) **March 2021 – Learn to Skate Report**

~ We are currently working on getting ready for Ice Show. There are still a few programs we need to finish up, but we are getting close. Our final practice before

~ Registration for the Spring session is open and an email went out to the members.

~ We have received the sanction for our Capital City Championships competitions and the announcement has been updated.

~ Registration for the Capital City Championships competition is open and email has gone out to our LTS skaters. I also sent an email to Suzanne and asked that she send it to the outside clubs for them to register as well. We have our Referee set, as well as three of our judges, but I am still working to secure an accountant and three more judges.

~ On March 23rd I will be having a meeting with the parents that have skaters in the freeskate levels to discuss how the Advanced program works. The meeting will be via Zoom to hopefully make it easier for everyone that wants to attend to be able to attend.

b.) **March 2021 – Advanced Report**

~ We completed our Winter test session and it was another successful test session for our skaters. Thank you to the Test Chairs and the parents that Volunteered, without you would not be able to have these events.

~ The Spring registration will be sent out to the skaters and parents on Thursday along with the competition information.

~ We are currently having practices preparing for the Ice Show.

~ Our next test session is May 7, 8, 9. We do have three judges confirmed for this session and working on a fourth.

c.) Synchro Report

1. All teams ended their season competing at the Tri States Virtual competition the weekend of February 27th. Congrats to everyone on a fantastic end to a really weird season.

Chips – Bronze – jr. division

Connection – Bronze

Chill – Gold

Crystals – Gold

Cadence – Silver

Cascades – Silver

Cubes Black – Gold

Cubes Blue – Gold

1. This season we had one pewter medal but otherwise the teams all finished in the top 3 in their respective groups all season long. Congrats to skaters and coaches on a successful season despite all of the obstacles faced during the year with ice closures and quarantines.
2. We will be having an end of season celebration on March 14th at the Hillside Aquatic meeting area. Thank you to Mike Wald for helping us secure this area for our celebration. We will be doing 2 celebrations this year. Cubes Blue, Cubes Black, Cascades and Cadence will be from 2:00-3:00pm. Crystals, Chill, Connection and Chips will be from 3:30-4:30pm. Our 2020 COVID seniors were also invited back since they did not receive a banquet last year. We will have some special awards, team mom voting, end of season video, certificates, and a special surprise for all teams.
3. Thursday, March 11th marks the last practice of the season for most teams. Skaters are encouraged to dress in beach attire and we will hand out popsicles at the end of practice! Can’t wait to celebrate with the skaters!
4. All teams will skate at the ice show the weekend of March 19th as well as the 6:00 dress rehearsal on Thursday evening
5. All teams received try out information for the 2021-2022 season this past week. A separate email and letter was also sent to parents in the learn to skate program. Clinics will start the week of March 22nd with tryouts being held the week of April 5th.
6. US Figure Skating is making some major changes to the pipeline in regards to ages, levels, skater numbers, etc. I will be holding brief zoom meetings with a powerpoint highlighting these changes after the show has concluded. Everything is in the final stages of being finalized to be voted on in the upcoming governing council meeting in May which is a virtual event again this year.
7. Jen Rambur is participating in a US Figure Skating Town Hall as a panelist for hosting a successful competition during COVID. Such an honor to be asked as the other people speaking are individual competitions. The town hall is Wednesday, March 10th.

Ice Show Report

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1. We have decided to move to a ticket format this year with the show since our capacity limits have been raised. Kristy Hamar is working closely with Stacey Hanson on the details.
2. Show practices have been going great this past week! Skaters are having fun and working hard! Can hardly wait to see this show finally all put together.
3. Ice Show pictures and sweatshirts are in and all advanced info has gone out this past week.
4. An ice show note with details will be going out to Learn to Skate and Advanced Skaters in the coming days to go over last minute show items.
5. Lots of volunteers will be needed so everyone should be ready to put in some time to help make the show a success!
6. Good Day North Dakota on KX news will be doing a live feed from the rink during their morning show on Tuesday, March 16th from 6:30-7:00am. Our solo’s and step outs will be skating in their dresses and Shea Theel will be interviewed for the show.

5.) President’s Report - Aaron is making headway in charitable gaming. In the process of getting locations, he may need to make offers such as donations. Any agreement will be approved by the Board prior to moving forward.

6.) Safesport - Nothing to report.

7.) Unfinished Business

a.) Volunteers - Competition and Ice Show will be kept separate. Biggest issue is testing announcing. Committee suggested adding a volunteer test chair - this person would track each family testing volunteering hours. Every family is required to volunteer for at least 2 test sessions and would be required to donate $25 for each test session their skater tests in that they don’t volunteer for. Test chairs will no longer be collecting cash at the test session this will be billed out instead. The runner spots will be shorter in time cut from 2-2.5 hour down to 1-1.5 hours. Announcing will stay at 2-2.5 hours however each slot will count as 2 volunteer times. The club will get an Ipad/pod that is specifically for testing so volunteers are not having to switch between 4/5 iPods, this should help make announcing easier. Also can have some training the week before testing.

-there was also some discussion on Ice Show volunteers. Chairs need to make sure they let parents know that volunteering for Ice Show is required for all parents. Advanced skaters are required to chair a committee & LTS parents are required to volunteer under those chairs. Also sending out a description of volunteer spots would help along with a spreadsheet of who’s volunteering where. This was done in the past but somehow was lost in communication over the last few years.

8.) New Business - Annual meeting is in June, 4 board positions are up-V.P., Treasurer, and 2 members at large. There are also some Bylaws that will need to be voted on at the annual meeting.

9.) Next Meeting - 4/8/21, will need to check with directors to see if this works.

10.) Meeting Adjourn 6:31PM