

Skating Club of Lake Placid

May 19, 2008 Minutes Hall of Fame Room 7PM

Call to Order : Iris Glad at 7:05PM

Present:

Officers Present: Pres. Iris Gladd, Vice Pres. Pat Jorgenson, Sec. Rosemary Gole

Karen Knox & Nicole Broderick excused

Other Board Members Present: Liz De Fazio, Stan Urban, Maggie Atkins, Debbie Marshall,
Virginia Yamrick, Mary Anne Hawley, Laura Mc Donald

SCLP Members Present: Rickie Canny, Barbara Kelly, Linda & Christie Sausa, Marcia Brooks.

Agenda Items:

Review and acceptance of the minutes:

This is the first month the minutes were reviewed and accepted on line. After further discussion the consensus was to continue past practice of making motions to accept the minutes at the meeting to insure that the members received them and made the appropriate changes necessary. A motion was made by Stan to accept the minutes as presented .Second was Liz. All were in favor.

Consent Agenda

This is also the first month that the agenda was produced on line and e mailed to Board members giving all members input opportunity. It was agreed that after review on line there was an implied acceptance and that an additional motion at the meeting was unnecessary. Mary Anne Hawley made a motion to accept. Stan was second. All were in favor. Motion was passed.

Donation to the Adirondack Community Church

Iris recommended that SCLP donate \$100 to the Church for the use of their hall for the yearly banquet. Motion to accept Virginia. Second Maggie. All Agreed.

Treasures Report

Treasure supplied a full report for the month on line for the first time this month for review prior to the meeting. There were some questions regarding the amount of Spring ice receipts. The questions were not resolved due to Karen_Knox's excused absence therefore; the acceptance of

this report is tabled for next meeting._

Dress / Second Hand Shop Issue

There is an issue of concern before the Board regarding an adult skater, D. Ray. She spoke to several of the members of the SCLP about four skating dresses she reports to have given to one of our members in Delaware with the intention of selling the dresses in the second hand shop. This transaction apparently happened five years ago. Memories are fuzzy. Upon intense inventory investigation by SCLP members that manage the second hand shop one dress was identified but it was tagged with Robin Miller's name. This dress was returned to Ms. Ray. Rickie Canny did a complete audit of the books before and after the entry (of the found dress) and no additional entries were noted. Ray is requesting the SCLP pay \$200 for the two outstanding/unaccounted dresses. Another dress was apparently accounted for in a private sale with Robin Miller.

After much discussion and deliberation the consensus of the Board was this:

While we do not like to see a good customer like Ms. Ray dissatisfied; we can not justify reimbursement of \$200 for garments that we have no record of accepting. It was determined that the Board would send Ms. Ray a letter notifying her of our findings. At this point the Board considers the matter closed.

Reports to the Board:

Membership Report:

Laura reported that the membership committee met to discuss a new application for membership form. We will be offering a family membership for \$150 that allows for up to four members from the same address. A single membership will cost \$75 for the year starting July 1. The USFSA membership alone costs the club \$40 and \$15 for each additional member. They also discussed providing members with information regarding the benefits of belonging to SCLP, such as shows and tests etc. and the club membership requirement of volunteer work. How to insure that each person complies with the volunteer requirement produced many ideas and opinions. No specific consensus was achieved. This issue will require further discussion.

The Board agreed that there was a need to promote full membership especially for those that have skated in the SCLP programs more than one year. Basic Skill membership will not be offered to adults this year. The Basic Skill membership is designed to be an entry/orientation level membership to the USFSA and skating. It also does not count towards our total SCLP membership. There was a lively discussion regarding the delineation of Life Membership and Honorary Membership. There appeared to be much confusion that warrants further investigation

and discussion at subsequent meetings. Iris recommended that the membership drive start June 1 as membership commences July 1.

There was motion to accept the report as presented by Liz, Stan was second. All were in favor.

Web Site:

Iris is working with Kelly Kennedy on a new Web Site. The home page was up prior to the meeting for everyone to view. Laura commented that she thought the historical pictures were very appropriate because the SCLP has a long distinguished history. Iris and everyone agreed that the clubs history should play an important part of what we project on our Web page. Further, Iris put forth some ideas regarding Barbara Kelly's wealth of knowledge and pictures of historical events and the possibility of having trivia questions once a week. As an aside Barbara mentioned that this year should be our 75 year anniversary and would be recognized at the next yearly Governing Body meeting.

There will be three new features on the new Web Site. We will be able to complete membership forms on line complete with waver and pay with Pay Pal.

Trophies

Marcia Brooks is doing some great work revitalizing trophies that were in our trophy cases. The trophies are engraved with names of past winners of competitions that we still host yearly. There are big gaps in years that haven't been engraved with winners. She is researching the winner's names for the gap years and will have them engraved. The intention is to bring them up to date and use them for future events.

Administrator of SCLP Basic Skills Program

Stan reported from the Coaches Committee that a reminder will be sent from the committee to the coaches regarding the USFSA new requirements. Virginia asked if we have a list of the coach's credentials. There is a list of credentials in Mary Elizabeth's/ ORDA offices and Iris has this information.

Fund Raising

Iris investigated the butter brads fund raising product. The company required a very large order and had a very short turn around time from defrosting to the time to the time they would have to be sold and used. These facts made it just not suitable for our purposes. She did get additional information for other products that did not require large orders or have storage problems. These were worth additional consideration in the future.

Jackets:

Christie investigated the jackets that ORDA ordered and they were found to be unsuitable for the SCLP. They were purchased for the summer program and did not have the SCLP logo on them. However, she was able to speak to a vender of jackets. They will send a box of samples to look at. There was also an aside conversation regarding the new Web site ability to link to vendors directly to order jackets. Virginia recommended Kim Dow products for pants and jackets to match.

Reports from Governing Council

Rickie and Barbara Kelly supplied reports via email for the Boards review prior to the meeting. Some additional points discussed were the changes in age requirements for the next Adult Nationals and the addition of Solo Dance. Barbara also reported that it was time to make bids for the 2011 National Synchronized Skating Competition. Iris reported that she had been trying but was getting a hard time finding someone that provides the official bidding package.

Linda Sausa reported on the meetings that she went to regarding adding Spotlight events to freestyle competitions. The reports from other clubs were that it was a great money maker for the hosting club and should be considered. Additionally, she investigated the feasibility of a Competitive Theater Team. It was her opinion that the requirements were too strict in terms of numbers and age restrictions. She did not think that we would be able to get enough skaters to fill the number and age group requirements. She suggested that the SCLP do a non competitive number at the summer shows or at Christmas time that encompasses all levels. This idea was well received by the group.

Liz recommended in the future that the seminars be assigned prior to the Governing Council so that more were covered and additional information was brought back.

Short Term Goals for 2008

There was a very lively discussion regarding the direction of the club in the next year. The following were topics that the club members agreed to consider for short term and long term goals:

Liz and Laura: Increase the Basic Skills Membership by 10%. At present it is 100 enrollees, we want to increase the fall enrollment to 110.

Stan: Conduct test sessions on a break even basis.

Stan: Raise \$500 by fund raising ...utilization would be determined later by the Board.

Iris: Prepare a basic skill number for the Saturday night summer shows.

Iris: Promote the utilization of the skate /helmet program with the goal of renting ? the stock for summer and 100%for the winter.

Iris: A second hand shop promotion “Going Out for Business Sale”. The merchandise would be brought out to the rinks for special event sales.

Iris: Conduct a cost benefit analysis for the second hand shop. Determine when sales are made in relationship to and the time volunteers are putting in and the money made.

Iris: To have the policy and procedure manual ready for fall.

Iris: Prepare Basic Skills children for an Ice Theater type winter show perhaps with Frosty the Snowman / Snow theme.

Iris: To have a larger more collaborative spring show with skaters from other North Country skating clubs and ORDA skating school.

Virginia: Foster better cooperation between ORDA and SCLP skating schools.

Long Term Goals:

1. Rosemary: Work towards creating a local judging pool.
2. Stan: Look into additional ways to raise money. The amounts will be determined at a later date.

Budget:

Iris asked if anyone interested in helping with the budget to contact her. The club needs to have one up in running for the fiscal year which begins on July 1.

The meeting was called to a close at 9:11P.M. Liz made a motion to end the meeting. Second was Rosemary. All were in Favor.

The next meeting will be in June 16 at 7PM in the Hall of Fame Room.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rosemary A. Gole SCLP Sec.