

**AAFSC Board Meeting  
Minutes  
May 24th, 2022. 7:15pm. Zoom**

**7:29pm: Call to order by President Carmen Fox**

**In attendance:** \*Warwick Anderson, Erin Donovan, Ann Dougherty, Craig Forsyth, Carmen Fox, Mary Johanson, Jenny Land, Karen Meints, Jennifer Nguyen, \*Matt Oonk, Bonnie Shay, Camille Ziolek.  
**Apologies:** Anjali Bhandari, Ann Nicklas.

**Minutes and Agenda Approval**

**Motion: Approval of minutes from April 19th, 2022: unanimous approval.**

**Motion: Approval of agenda: unanimous approval.**

**Committee Reports:**

**Finance committee: Warwick Anderson, Craig Forsyth**

- Warwick has sent out a summary and report to the board members.
- There were no questions on the finances which look good for the time of year.

**Hockettes: Erin Donovan**

- Spring Practice has started, and everyone is working hard and is happy with how it is coming together.
- Erin is working with the director at Canton on a new project for the Hockettes. This includes:
  - a collegiate seminar where the Hockettes and Collegiate skaters skate together.
  - Parent guide to success evening and a session for the younger skaters.
  - An On Ice and off ice seminar is also planned which will emphasize the importance of off ice.
- Hockette team membership is about the same as last year.

## **Learn to Skate (LTS): Mary Johanson**

- Spring LTS is finished
- Over 100 skaters have signed up for the summer session of LTS

## **Competitions: Ann Dougherty**

- The 38th Marg. Faulkner Springtime Invitational was a success. We had over 500 registered skaters and only about 25 scratches. It ran smoothly and mostly on time except for solo dance events (new rules and software glitches in the IJS). We could have used about 5 more officials. We had great volunteers (even if they wait until the last minute to sign up, and others cancel out online.)
- Springtime officials' expenses were considerably higher than last years' even with fewer officials. Higher transportation costs were the main culprit, followed by food costs.
- Attendees seemed happy.
- The club participants were very supportive of each other and there was a lot of cheering from the stands.
- The Judges stands need to be replaced; the ones on the Stadium rink are in worse shape than Olympic. They are currently unsafe. Jim Carlisle has agreed to head up the project. He should prepare an estimate for the next Board meeting. He needs time to put together a team and work on it during the summer/fall to be ready for the Dr Porter competition in December.
- One volunteer broke his glasses when helping with the stands. He should submit a receipt for a replacement.

## **Office Report: Craig Forsyth**

- The Basic Skills competition is on June 11th. There will be over 8 hours of competition that day.
- Craig reported that the payment platform on the club website is broken, and club finances and it is very problematic to keep track of Payments right now.
- A meeting will be set up urgently to discuss the website and the next steps needed to proceed with it.

## **HR Update: Bonnie Shay**

- Email vote on April 23rd, 2022: HR recommends Elise Meints as a LTS Instructor. Camille proposed. Jennifer N seconded. one abstention, everyone else in favor
- Email vote on April 21st, 2022. HR recommends HR recommends Samantha Lang as a Junior Coach. Mary proposed, Carmen seconded and unanimous approval.
- Email vote on May 13th. HR recommends Claire Mifsud for a pro staff position. Bonnie Proposed, Mary seconded and unanimous approval.
- HR recommends Chandler Carroll as a Synchronized Skating Coach. Mary Proposed, Camille seconded and Unanimous approval.
- HR recommends Joseph Breeden for Pro Staff. Mary proposed, Carmen seconded and unanimous approval.
- HR recommends Sean Fitzgerald as a LTS Instructor. Camille proposed, Anjali seconded and unanimous approval.
- Bonnie reported that the LTS and Pro staff contracts are in the final stages of being updated and will be out no later than June 1st.
- There will be a requirement that pro staff spend time coaching LTS.
- There will be a follow up coaches meeting organized, and it will happen before the end of June.

## **Other Business**

### **DEI: Erin Donovan and Matt Oonk**

- The DEI posters were positively commented on by skaters from other clubs during Springtime Invitational.
- Need to have accessible seating available for those who need it at the competitions.
- We need to have etiquette signs about how to watch the skaters and not getting up and down when a skater is skating etc. posted during competitions.

## **Skate Safe: Jennifer Nguyen, Jenny Land**

- Signs have been made which can be used for each competition. They say that only skaters, coaches, and volunteers should be downstairs. The expectation is that parents should not be downstairs during competitions, and they should not be in the locker rooms.

## **Governing Council and Club Ed Update: Carmen Fox**

- 7 Delegates were sent to the Governing council in Colorado Springs.
- Warwick and Carmen thanked the 5 experienced delegates for their leadership and guidance.
- We should always take advantage of every delegate position and send the maximum number of delegates that we can.
- As a club we are very fortunate to have such a large LTS and Synchro program along with so many other programs to offer our members.
- We are also fortunate to have such a unique collaborative relationship with the Ice Cube management.

## **New Board Member Elections: Camille Ziolek**

- Camille reported that it has been slow going but she has a small handful of names.
- Camille will send out an email tomorrow to the club members about elections.
- The elections will be held online in June and will be announced at the board meeting.

**Matt and Warwick Joined the meeting at 8:30pm.**

## **Recognition Banners:**

- Erin reported that the adult synchro team appreciated the adult achievement award. They are eligible to have a banner up on the Olympic rink.

**Motion: For a banner to be purchased and placed on the Olympic rink to recognize the Adult Synchro teams achievements this year.**

**Carmen proposed, Camille seconded and unanimous approval.**

- Erin will discuss the details of the banner with Craig

**Any other Business:**

None

**The meeting adjourned at 8:55pm**

**Date of next meeting: Tuesday June 21st, 2022**