

Minutes

Ann Arbor FSC Meeting
Tuesday December 15 at 7:15pm. Zoom

7:17pm: Call to order by Ranjit

In attendance: Ranjit Aiyagari, Warwick Anderson, Anjali Bhandari, Erin Donovan, Craig Forsyth, Carmen Fox, Mary Johanson, Karen Meints, Matt Oonk, Helena Schotland, Karla Stoermer-Grossman.

Apologies: Camille Ziolek.

Also, in attendance: Ann Dougherty, Ann Nicklas, Bonnie Shay.

Agenda Approval

Motion: Approval of minutes from November 17th, 2020: Anjali motioned; Matt seconded unanimous approval.

Motion: Approval of agenda: Anjali motioned, Matt seconded, unanimous approval.

Committee Reports:

Finance committee: Warwick Anderson, Craig Forsyth

Warwick sent out two reports to the committee. The month of November is another negative month due to the Covid situation and the recent 3-week shutdown. The outlook is good when the club able to be in business, it will do even better when group lessons and learn to skate is able to resume.

Hockettes Erin Donovan

Erin has just attended a meeting regarding tri states which we were scheduled to host in February 2021. They do not feel comfortable working towards an in-person competition and are recommending a virtual competition. There is no fixed date yet, but they are looking to run it in February and make it a big season culmination.

Motion: Approval to move forward with a virtual Tri states competition in February. Anjali Proposed, Mary Seconded, unanimous approval.

The committee agreed that we need to create competition opportunities when ever we can. There was also a suggestion that this club asks to host tri-states next year because of the loss of income for the club and the huge amount of planning involved. Anne Dougherty offered to pursue this.

The current Covid safety rules prohibit Group and organized practices and games indoors. The Hockette teams are practicing their individual skills during their practice times but because they are not allowed to practice their at the moment.

Learn to Skate: Mary Johanson

Mary said she does not have much to report. She is meeting tomorrow to come up with a plan which may involve off ice zoom sessions for January, February and March next year. She has scheduled some LTS private lessons but that is all she can do right now.

Competitions: Ann Dougherty.

Springtime invitational, Ann is still working on Springtime but it is still all up in the air because we do not know what the situation will be with Covid.

Office Report: Craig Forsyth

Office: The club has been closed for the last 3 out of 4 weeks. The Club members is currently 451 which is 29 more members than this time last year

Club Communication: The club has also sent out 26 email blasts with an average 46% opening rate. The email with the highest opening rate was the Fall Learn to skate closing with a rate of 76%.

National Skating Month is January 2021: the club is asking for skaters to submit their best videos of their performances. The videos will be put into small groups and posted online all of the month of January.

Hockette Dues: The semi-annual invoices have all been sent out. All but 7 have been paid. All of the monthly installments are paid and are up to date.

Porter Competition: The club made a small profit this year, but it was considerably down on the profit that the Porter Competition usually makes.

Tax Paperwork: This has been signed and has gone out.

Food gatherers: the club raised \$930 which is a big increase in the \$350 donation we raised last year

HR Update: Bonnie Shay

Nothing to report

Any Other Business:

Rink Reopening: The rink is open again. Craig reported that there are issues with Parents not wearing masks or wearing them incorrectly. The club will send out another email reminding club members to follow the Covid safety rules.

Test session: The club had a test session today and there were no problems. It seemed to work really well. This is the 4th test session since November.

Melody on Ice: Camille Ziolek and Craig Forsyth

Melody on Ice plans are on hold right now. They will discuss this again after the January board meeting.

Fundraising: Carmen Fox

Giving Tuesday raised \$1500 for the club. \$180 was also received from the push for donations. The donation buttons are being updated on the website and an email will be sent out when they are up and running.

Any other Business

Governing Council: Ann Dougherty

Governing council will meet in Colorado Springs in May if it does take place. The club is allowed 5 delegates and the board will decide who goes at the next meeting in January.

Meeting adjourned at 8:28pm by Ranjit

Date of next meeting: Tuesday January 19th at 7:15pm. Zoom? In person?