

# Minutes

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

**7:30pm:** 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, Camille Ziolek,

**Also, in attendance:** Ann Dougherty, Ann Nichols, Bonnie Shay.

## Agenda Approval

**Motion:** Approval of minutes from August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Helena motioned, Warwick seconded unanimous approval.

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

## Committee Reports:

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

Warwick sent out two reports to the committee. One is a summary of the important numbers, the other is 16 pages long and is much more comprehensive. The one-page report is very clear and so Warwick will keep sending out both the reports to the board members each month. The budget cannot be compared to last year because of Covid-19. October's Budget report will give a clearer picture of the clubs financial standing.

### **Synchro: Erin Donovan**

The Synchro coaches and teams are excited to be skating back at the Ice cube. They are looking forward to competing this year, however that may look.

The Dr Porter classic competition will not require many volunteers because it is going to be a virtual competition. The Tri-State Synchro competition which this club is hosting in February 2021 will require more volunteers. The Tri-State Competition Organizers are working on a safety plan and will set up committees later in the fall. The safety plans need to be approved by the local health organization before moving forward.

### **Learn to Skate: Mary Johanson**

The first week went pretty well. Entering and exiting the building worked smoothly. Each level has a locker room assigned at the Ice cube managements request so that 6-foot distancing can be maintained. There were a good number of Adult skaters but sadly numbers of children are down. Mary is hoping more will sign up in the coming weeks. Adaptive skating will start up again this week. There will be a half hour class for five skaters and some private sessions too. The unified team will start to skate together again during the second part of fall. They are having a meet up in the park in October which should be fun.

**Competitions: Ann Dougherty.**

Nothing to report at this time

**Office Report: Craig Forsyth**

The return to the rink has gone well.

Membership: we expected 85% membership (435 members) by this time of the year. This morning the membership number is 425 members. That is 20 more members than this time last year.

There are still Ice sessions available for skaters which Craig is making known to the club members.

24 eblasts have been sent out since the last meeting. 7 of those eblasts had a 70% opening rate. The eblast with the BOD election results had a 75% opening rate.

Holiday exhibition. On December 13<sup>th</sup>. Not sure how this is going to work yet. Maybe skaters will skate and then it will be streamed on video. Craig and Camille will observe the Holiday exhibition in order to make plans for MOI.

Halloween Exhibition, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Discussion and suggestions on how this could work.

Opportunity to get the tech right for the Holiday exhibition. Rename it Fall exhibition to get more interest. Craig will send out an email blast to gauge interest in the October 23<sup>rd</sup> exhibition. before planning.

**HR Update: Bonnie Shay**

Coaches contracts are good except for two who have not sent them in yet. Currently there are no new applications.

• **Old/ New Business:**

**Rink Reopening:** Some Adult skaters have said that the 6-foot spacing was a problem. The session that they have skated on felt crowded. The ice etiquette was not being fully followed either. The Ice cube staff are running the Rink processes really well.

**Coaches.** Craig reported that some sessions have a lot less than 22 skaters and coaches can be allowed on the ice on those sessions on a limited basis. If coaches are skating, there still has to be less than 22 people on the ice, and everyone has to maintain a six-foot distance and wear a mask.

Other things to look at over the next few weeks are off ice training in the Ice cube and the use of the hoist and spinner.

Craig said that most of the coaches are looking close to getting back to pre covid capacity, but some coaches still have some openings.

• **Any Other Business:**

**Fundraising:** Carmen will be reaching out to people and gathering information in order to keep that moving forward.

Meeting adjourned at 8:13pm by Ranjit

**Date of next meeting:** Tuesday October 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:15pm. Zoom? In person?