

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF
BRAEMAR-CITY OF LAKES FIGURE SKATING CLUB**

DATE: Tuesday, June 19

TIME: 6:45 pm

PLACE: Braemar Ice Arena

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Alex Christianson, Liz Cutshall, Chris Deets, Lynn Meadows, Susanna McMaster, Julie Vanhove, Kathy Winter, Ros Wright, Kay Yoost

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Heather Burns, Brian Hedberg

OTHERS PRESENT: Evelyn Bone, Mary DeSautels, Sharon Friedl-Welter, Marlys Larson, Pam May, Kendra Smalley, Holly Weiss

Call to Order and Agenda Review.

Co-Vice Presidents McMaster and Meadows called the meeting to order and announced that a quorum of Directors was present and that the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with its business. Liz Cutshall acted as Secretary.

Governing Council Update.

Pam May and Marlys Larson attended the meeting and presented on this year's governing council. They thanked the Club for the stipend to help pay for their costs to attend. Marlys noted that the entire report of action which outlines what happened at the meetings could be found on USFS's website. Marlys gave highlights of the governing council for the Board. She noted that a proposal that would have made governing council every other year did not pass. She also noted that Minnesota gained a new club this year, the Heritage Figure Skating Club in Lakeville. Marlys presented several rule changes and walked the Board

through the major changes. Pam explained that the coaches do receive information regarding the rule changes and are aware of them.

Pam noted that there were not many changes to the synchronized skating rules. She noted that ISU changed their rules this year and that as a result USFS is required to adopt the rules for Junior and Senior and may adopt the rules for lower levels. Pam noted that there are new elements for each level in the new ISU rules. She explained that she attended an extremely interesting presentation regarding a University of Delaware performance enhancement program using 3-D imagery. She noted that the program will be on sale and that at this point any elite athlete can go to Delaware and use the program.

Pam then explained that USFS is looking for bid packets for the 2014-2015 Midwestern competition and that she has been in discussion with Braemar Arena regarding the possibility of hosting the competition. Pam asked that the Board look into getting a chair for the competition and filling out the bid packet once we hear if Braemar Arena will let the Club host the competition at the Arena.

Pam then explained to the Board that she would like to bring the program Annie's Edges in to work with synchro and individual skaters at the Club. Pam noted that she believes that it could be a program used for all Twin Cities Clubs. She also noted that she is bringing in a sports psychologist to work with her teams at the end of the summer and likely again during the season. She noted that the sports psychologist does a fabulous class for parents and for skaters and explained that there would be an opportunity for the Club as a whole to use her and that she would get more specifics to the Board at the July Board meeting.

Pam told the Board that she is bringing in two international skaters to come skate on the Junior team next season. She noted that she would like to waive the monitoring and volunteer fee for the families hosting these skaters. A motion was made, seconded and approved.

Minutes.

Member Cutshall noted that the minutes of the May meeting of the Board of Directors will be sent to the Board via email and approved during the July meeting.

New Committee Member Introductions.

Several of the new chairs of the Club introduced themselves to the Board and explained what their new roles would be. It was noted that the Club still needs a volunteer to run the National Skating Month event and members of the Board said they would talk to non-Board members about taking on the role.

Treasurer/Ice Utilization Report.

Member Vanhove requested that we add another member to the finance subcommittee meeting as President Hedberg will be stepping off with his new role as President. The Board members noted that they would think about adding a new member and would discuss it at the next meeting.

Membership/Ice Contracts.

Evelyn Bone noted that she would send an email blast out to the Club reminding them to send memberships application in. She noted that all Board members will be renewed and all officers have already been renewed. She also noted that she hopes to keep fall ice the same as last year.

TCFSA.

Member Christianson explained to the Board that she attended the TCFSA meeting this month. She noted that Boston received the Nationals bid over St. Paul but it was a close race. She told the Board that TCFSA created a facebook page and is hoping to use the site for interaction with the skating community and to spread the word about figure skating and that TCFSA recommended that individual clubs look into creating their own facebook pages.

Braemar Competition Update.

The Board noted that the competition is this weekend and everyone is looking forward to it!

Website Update.

Member Wright told the Board that the website committee is still working towards presenting the website at the next Board meeting. She noted that they are pulling pictures to design the website and are working through all of the details of the site.

Volunteer Hours.

The Board discussed capturing volunteer hours for synchro volunteers and Board members. A discussion ensued and a decision was made that Evelyn Bone would be in charge of making sure all synchro volunteers get credit for their hours.

Clean-up of the Cage.

The Board discussed a clean-up effort for the cage and what to do with the miscellaneous items.

Board Meeting Schedule.

Co-Vice Presidents Meadows and McMaster announced that the next meeting of the Board of Directors was scheduled for 6:45p.m. on July 17, 2012 at Braemar.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting was adjourned.