

## **SFFSC August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes**

Michelle called the meeting to order at 7:05pm at the SCHEELS IcePlex.

Those in attendance were: Michelle Carlson, President; Dan Kolbeck, Vice President; Kristi Feucht, Treasurer; Karen Thornbrugh, Skating Director; Bonnie Harvison, Barb Ebeling, John Gintvainis and Susan McDowell, Secretary.

### **Minutes**

Susan distributed the July minutes to those in attendance. After board review, the following corrections were brought forth—Kathleen Senden's last name (married) is Buschette, Julie Ann Lewis's name is spelled Julianne. The pavers fundraiser deadline has now been extended to August 31<sup>st</sup>. Also, a paper ballot was used to officially elect 3 of the executive officers, but Dan Kolbeck (Vice President) was nominated and voted upon by the board with an "oral" vote. With the above corrections made, Kristi made a motion to approve, Michelle seconded and all approved.

### **Treasurer Reports**

The July reports are delayed due to the transition of changing (to Lisa Fligge) accountants. Kristi will look into getting them before the next meeting and will be emailing them to the board members. The executive committee will be meeting with Sally Pelletier (last year's SFFSC Treasurer) to put together a "rough draft" of the Club operating budget for this next year. This draft will be presented at the September 8<sup>th</sup> board meeting for review/vote.

New executive committee members, Dan Kolbeck and Kristi Feucht, will need to be added as new signators to our Club bank accounts at Metabank (Amanda Masterson).

This committee will also with consult with Sally about the tax prep quotes she obtained in the spring. The board will need to make a decision of who to hire to prepare the Club's taxes at the September board meeting.

### **Policy**

The Policy Committee (Barb, Bonnie and Susan) had met to review current Club policies. Volunteer and Membership policies were addressed. Updated "drafts" of their recommendations/revisions will be presented to the board at the next meeting for approval. They will also be meeting to revise the Ice Rules and SFFSC Code of Conduct policies and bring drafts of these updated policies to the September meeting, as well.

A coaching agreement/policy will need to be written for our adult and junior coaches. Karen Thornbrugh, our Skating Director, already has an official contract which had been drawn up by our Club legal advisor and former board member, Greg Starnes. (Her contract will be available for board members to review at the next board meeting).

Policy committee members would like board members to bring any ideas they have in regard to this **new** agreement to the September board meeting.

### **Programming/New Classes**

Karen announced that “Intro to Synchronized Skating” will be added to our schedule this fall on Saturday mornings from 9:30 to 10:00am, starting in October. It will be offered at a low “introductory” rate of \$100 for 13 weeks (approx. \$7.70/class) of instruction.

\*\*\*She will be emailing the Club membership information about this new class soon!!

She also plans to bring 4 Team Compulsory groups to the New Ulm Competition in November. Team practice begins in early September. Groups will be organized by Karen and registration/costs will be divided into fall and spring commitments. The fall teams will compete in New Ulm. The spring teams will compete in our “Ice Classic” in March. The cost for each skater **per competition** will be \$50, which includes SFFSC practice ice rental cost, competition team registration fee and SFFSC coaching fees. “Recycled” costumes from previous shows/competitions will be used.

### **Ice Fees**

SCHEELS IcePlex has announced they will be raising the ice rental costs this season by \$10 per hour for all user groups. This increase will amount to around \$7,000 in extra expenses the Club will have to budget for.

### **Advertising**

SFFSC will be placing an ad in the September issue of “Hood” magazine. We received a reduced rate of \$395 for a ¼ page ad. (\$635 – discount of \$270 + \$30 for design). Many schools receive this issue and this publication is also widely displayed throughout Sioux Falls and surrounding communities. Club advertising is a “budgeted” expense.

### **Fundraising**

John Gintvainis is gathering information on a possible “Krispy Kreme” fundraising option. Kristi Feicht is also looking into \$25 gift cards. Other suggestions include Schwans and Amazon. Pizza Ranch dates are Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup> in Brandon and Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 41<sup>st</sup>. A fundraising committee will be formed to explore possible options for the new skating year.

### **SFFSC Open Skate**

SFFSC will be offering a free “Let’s Try Figure Skating” opportunity to skate (includes free skate rental by SCHEELS IcePlex) on Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, from 1:30 – 3:00pm. Any and all members/family/friends are invited to attend. Registration for classes will also be available at that time. A free 5X punch card (\$30 value) will be given

to those who register by 9/26, which can be used on any “SCHEELS IcePlex” open skate times. Kristi offered to make “flyers” to advertise for this event.

### **2015 -2016 Board Member Committees**

We need to have **all** board members commit to “chairing” a committee this year. The time spent working on these committees is “in lieu” of the 10 hours of volunteer hours the rest of the Club members need to complete each year. Board members can sign up to help on multiple committees and are encouraged to ask other Club members to assist them with their respective committees. Committee chairs will be asked to report to the board on a monthly basis. All decisions/actions/spending must be board approved.

**Fundraising – John Gintvainis, Kristi Feucht, Julie Mickelberg, Susan McDowell**  
**Programming/Registration Forms – Susan, Bonnie, Kristi, Karen, Michelle**  
**Policy – Barb Ebeling, Bonnie Harvison, Susan McDowell**  
**It/Website – Dan Kolbeck, Brian Pelletier**  
**Spirit Wear/Used Skate Wear – Michelle Carlson, Kristi Feucht, Susan McDowell**  
**Parade – Stacie/Tom Stengrim???** (As of 12/2014)  
**Ice Show – Susan McDowell (co-chair?), Dan Kolbeck**  
**SFFSC Ice Classic Competition – Bonnie Harvison (chair), Susan, Stacie S.**  
**SFFSC End of Year Party – Sue Salter, Julie Mickelberg???**  
**Sponsorship/Grants – Dan Kolbeck**  
**Team Building/Travel Competition Team/Skater Recognition – Sue, Susan, Kristi**  
**Volunteer – Kristi Feucht, Stacie Stengrim**

**\*\*\*Coach Liaisons – Michelle Carlson, Barb Ebeling, Sally Pelletier**

**\*\*\*Off-Ice Class Coordinator – Sue Salter**

Michelle made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:26pm, Susan seconded and all approved.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Susan McDowell, Secretary

**The next SFFSC Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 7pm at the SCHEELS IcePlex.**

