

TRF Skating Club Minutes – 1/10/10

Present: Kevin Johnson, Deanna Peterson, Heidi Holmer, Heidi Carlson, Teresa Audette, Teresa Johnson, Lisa Semanko, Kimberly Idland, Nancy Sturgeon, Pat Brickson

Secretary's Report: November minutes – approved by Deanna, second by Teresa A
December minutes – approved by Heidi C, second by Lisa

Treasurer's Report: approved by Deanna, second by Pat

Committee Reports:

Executive

Banquet

Fund Raising

Lettering

- Kevin suggests granting junior coaches ice time towards lettering. Suggestion is 15 minutes per hour of coaching ice time.
- This is just during Monday Basic Skills practice
- Motion to approve this Teresa A, second by Teresa J

Synchronized Team

Ice Show

Competition

- We will have to pass on that this year.
- Put something on the website about this on homepage announcements.

Basic Skills

- Deanna said this is going well. Tends to go more smoothly as the night continues on.
- Kimberly will work with new coaches on how to improve testing and skater management
- Expectations about junior coaches? Deanna will post something on the bulletin board listing who will work with whom. Part of the problem is that they've been moved around in the past depending on needs.

Publicity

- Teresa is working with Universal to iron out the logo and design for the show. All advertising needs to have a "sanctioned by" statement.
- Corie Erickson turned in an idea for the ice show design that's serving as the basis for the show designs.
- Lisa suggested getting a picture of all the kids in Accelerated for putting it on the website.
- Deanna suggested putting together a thinner fleece blanket with the ice show logo for Fire on Ice. Kimberly suggested that sweatshirts might be easier to pack and more useful considering they're not acclimated to Minnesota weather.
- Teresa J suggested posting flyers at rinks when skaters visit for competitions.

- Dasher Board advertising – Kevin suggested we look into how much this will cost. At least in the REA possibly also the Huck.
- We're hoping to cover up advertisements during the
- Lisa will send Pat skaters' times for upcoming competitions. Will put on the Advanced page.

Old Business.

1. Advanced Figure Skating times

- Trying to find better ice for the Advanced Skaters
- There is some frustration with when the schedule comes out.
- Should we establish time as far as when levels of skaters can go on the ice?
 - Monday seems to be the most congested time, right after school. A lot of the younger skaters on the ice at this time.
 - More difficult for Lisa & Kimberly to schedule lessons. Especially if the times aren't consistent.
 - We lost some evening ice time this year.
 - Numbers? Preliminary & below – 10 Above - 5

2. Upcoming competitions

- Duluth & EGF schedules are out.
- Fergus Falls competition information is out.
- Can the club pick up – mileage for coaches, hotel rooms for coaches, meals – possibly \$27 per diem. This would eliminate coaching fees. Also saves the coaches the hassle of how to break out the amounts per skater. Lisa suggests that this be reassessed every year. Kevin motions to approve on a year to year basis, Teresa A seconds.

3. Ice show

- The high school skaters expressed some concerns about the ice show and asked for a few things.
- One thing mentioned is, can the glass be left out? Unfortunately this is decided by the City of TRF. Kevin has asked to have it left out but has not had any success.
- Curtain? There may not be one. May not have time to put it up. Also full sheet of ice is needed by Fire on Ice. This is normally useful for warming up. Maybe intermission will be a chance for warm ups.
- Point system was used in determining who could get solos and small groups. Points are based on amount of ice time, competitions participated in, and skating level.
- There will be an advanced skaters' routine. Will start with the 12 younger advanced skaters, add the high school skaters, then have the younger skaters leave and the high school kids alone on the ice.
- Deanna suggested possibly having a practice on Saturday morning so we can do it at the REA.

- The board approved all specialty numbers (solos, duets, & trios). Lisa motions to approve. Teresa A seconds.
 - Deanna would like to give each “specialty” skater some money towards her costume. \$25 was suggested at the meeting. Teresa J motions to approve, Kevin seconds. Afterwards Deanna recalled that the amount was \$40 per skater last year. Still waiting to hear on whether we will use that number instead.
4. Fire on Ice
- Housing. We need 9 homes for 8 days, otherwise time in hotels. Need to ask advanced skaters first and then throw it out for others. Host families are expected to provide food but not transportation. By next board meeting we’ll have a better idea.
5. Have to stick with Sunday nights through the skating season?

Next meeting on Sunday, February 7th.

Adjourned by Kevin