

# **Kent Skating Club (KSC) Board Meeting**

## **July 7, 2010**

### **Kent Free Library**

Present: Julie Zeager, Patrick Mail, Kate Medicus, Teri Tacchio, Helen McGrew, Crystal Chadima, Vince Faverty, Nicky Kappenhagen, Stephanie Collins, Lisa Rhoades

The meeting was called to order at 6:10pm.

#### **Approval of previous meeting's minutes**

H. McGrew moved to approve the minutes; V. Faverty seconded; the motion passed unanimously

#### **Treasurer's reports**

Frank Obreza submitted his last PNC statement and Tiffany Schmitt sent out a Morgan Bank statement. The PNC account balance was \$1605.32 as of 6/28 after all ice bills had been paid. The Morgan account balance was \$11,886.01 at the end of June and it shows that they have still not received any funds from the video company that was at Skating For Skills. Meg Faust will follow up on this as she was in charge of the vendors.

H. McGrew motioned to approve the treasurer's reports; L. Rhoades seconded; the motion passed unanimously

#### **Administrator's report**

Only one membership has been deposited for this month so far, but many more have since been received. 9 members and 3 pros have registered so far.

L. Rhoades motioned to approve the administrator's report; T. Tacchio seconded; the motion passed unanimously

#### **Old Business**

##### **Taxes**

No decision has been made as yet for having taxes prepared this year; whoever does the taxes will need to work with Frank Obreza who has all the records for 2009. Julie Zeager brought up the question of whether it's necessary to have different people manage the separate bank accounts and Stephanie Collins said that the practice maintains checks and balances. Currently Tiffany Schmitt and Nicky Kappenhagen are signers for the Morgan Bank account, Lisa Rhoades will be added to that account.

Julie Zeager will work on locating someone to prepare the taxes, the Club may contact Ray Kappenhagen.

#### **Fundraising**

**Chairperson needed:** Denise Clarke may not be available to do this for the upcoming year. Patrick Mail volunteered to be the fundraising chairperson.

### **Garage Sale**

Dates discussed: the Club garage sale will be held Thursday and Friday, Aug. 19 & 20, from 9-5. Teri Tacchio has volunteered to host the sale. Julie Zeager will post the sale on Craig's List.

### **New Fundraiser Ideas**

Julie Zeager brought brochures she has received about a garden flower sale fundraiser, one from Mixed Bags, and also That's My Pan. Members are encouraged to organize fundraising events.

### **Test Sessions**

The next test session will be held on Aug. 18, from 1:30-5pm, for levels pre-preliminary up to novice moves. Applications for the session are due Aug. 4.

Future test session dates include: Oct. 18, from 9am-1pm; Mar. 4, from 9am-1pm; also Jan. 17 and Apr. 11 are other possible test dates

### **New Business**

#### **Coach Contracts**

Coaches and Associate Coaches are all returning this coming year as far as is known. The Board needs to vote on whether to extend all of them a contract to be club coaches. Julie Zeager asked if we have any additional coaches we should be offering contracts, no names were brought up. Coaches include: Nicky Kappenhagen, Sarah White, Juliann M. Bontrager, Emilie S. Dunlop, Helen M. McGrew, and Kristi Zofchak

L. Rhoades motioned to renew all full coaches' contracts, V. Faverty seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously

Associate Coaches include: Autumn Campailla, Rachel A. Firm, Kelly Lynch, Christian "Chris" R. Martin, Patricia "Patti" M. Shears

L. Rhoades motioned to renew all associate coaches' contracts; P. Mail seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously

#### **Committee assignments**

Julie Zeager read the list of the Club committees (see the agenda for copy of the list) and announced that the Board members to consider people to ask to volunteer for committee assignments; these positions should be filled beginning in August. Nicky Kappenhagen will be the Pro Committee chair again this year.

Julie Zeager also announced that she and Lisa would like to meet with last year's committee heads for a Skating For Skills recap and to begin planning for this year's competition.

#### **Fall ice calendar**

Has been received from Rich Mest, the ice offer starts beginning Aug. 16, which is earlier than in past years but otherwise the daily schedule is very similar. The cost has gone up \$5 an hour: to \$215 an hour for the main rink and \$175 an hour for the recreational rink. The new rates are effective Sept. 7, 2010.

Last year, the Club charged skaters \$14 an hour for full members and \$15 an hour for associate members, with a discount of \$1 an hour for early bird applications (applications submitted by Aug. 15).

There followed discussion about what the due date for fall ice applications should be if the fall ice starts on Aug. 16 (and ends the first week of May.) It was decided to make the postmarked due date Aug. 6 for fall ice contracts.

Helen McGrew suggested offering a punch-card discounted walk-on offer that would be made available after skaters have contracted their ice times. This will be worked out in more detail at the next Board meeting.

Discussion followed about raising the hourly ice rate the Club charges skaters, with a suggestion to raise the hourly rate by \$1. It was argued that this is the second time the Ice Arena has raised the ice cost in recent years and that the price charged to skaters was not raised last time the Ice Arena's rates went up. The Board felt that the charges to skaters must be increased this time since the Club has been losing money.

L. Rhoades motioned to raise ice fees by \$1 per hour and increase the number of payments over the course of the season to a total of 9 payments rather than 8; with the early bird deadline being Aug. 6 (cost would be \$15/hour for full members; \$16/hour for associate members; with \$1 discount per hour for early bird contracts); V. Faverty seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously

#### Walk-on rates

There also followed discussion to raise the walk-on rates to \$18 an hour. S. Collins motioned to raise the walk-on rate to \$18 per hour; T. Tacchio seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously

#### Make-up coupons

Discussion about various proposals for changing the makeup coupons: increasing the number, changing the requirements for using them.

Discussion ended with decided to keep the make-up coupons the same as last year.

Nicky Kappenhagen recommended changing the Club Free session on Fridays to a General session since Club Free only had 4 skaters last year.

T. Tacchio motioned to accept all the ice time offered by the Arena (Aug. 16-May May 6) and offer the same sessions as last year except for changing the Friday Club Free session to a General session; L. Rhoades seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

It was suggested that the ice contract specify the due dates for the fundraising requirement and that the contract should specify the both the deadline for each skater/family to raise half the amount of their fundraising requirement and the final due date for meeting the minimum fundraising amount.

Date of next KSC Board meeting: Mon., Aug. 16 at the Kent State Ice Arena at 7pm

V. Faverty motioned to adjourn; T. Tacchio seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm