

Sk8 Bay Figure Skating Club Board Meeting Minutes

September 13, 2023

Mission Statement: To provide a friendly, supportive, and healthy environment to foster one's love for skating.

Attendance: Lynne Greathouse, Gigi Negron, Nancy Morrow, Jodi Schulz, Brett Greathouse, Janet Karr

Meeting was called to order at 7:09 pm by Lynne and seconded by Gigi.

Consent Agenda:

Skaters who have expressed interest in skating at Light the Night in Frankenmuth on November 20, 2023: Kimberlee, Finly, Madeleine, Alana, Kali, and one or two Greathouses.

Club pins with the new logo on them have been ordered and should be delivered in early October.

Lynne continues to work with Sandlots on jackets. Price and artwork are approved. Lynne is waiting to hear if ordering can be done online by the individuals.

Melanie recommended that the Christmas show begin at 1:30 pm on December 9. We have ice from 12-3 pm.

Brady Kenniston confirmed that he would photograph the 2023 Christmas Exhibition. His fee is \$300.

Nick Paige at Bay County TV was contacted about videography for the Christmas show. He said he planned on being at the Exhibition.

Hose reel, casters, spring pins, wood for pipe and drape base wagon, and dry erase board were purchased.

The new logo was updated on EntryEeze, Facebook, and Sk8Bay Website. The logo was shared with rink management to update on the county website and the lit sign on the Wilder Road entrance.

Ice for September 22, 2023, has been announced. We have ice from 4:30-6:20 pm

Ice for March 22, 2024, was requested 4:00 to 5:20 pm to accommodate the Annual meeting at 5:30. Use of the community room was requested, too. Rink staff will confirm after the first of the year.

Minutes from July 26, 2023, meeting were approved.

Lynne made a motion to approve the consent agenda and it was seconded by Jodi.

Old Business

- Test chair update: There were concerns about the increased number of virtual tests being completed and the lack of utilization of our club's test sessions. The board voted unanimously to try one more test session in February 2024.
- SafeSport update: There was an incident reported to Safe Sport. Waiting for investigation results. In the meantime, no information regarding that incident can be shared according to Safe Skate.

- Treasury update: Jodi reported that all bills are paid and the check book balances. There have been no significant financial changes since the last board meeting.
- LTS update: Gigi reported that there are 30 students in the Fall 1 session.
- Skater Recognition Update: September birthday celebration is scheduled for Sept. 20. Makayla will bake a treat. Jan Karr is working with the showcase bulletin board. Sometime soon, the committee will meet to discuss other recognition events, one example, send-offs to National Competitions.
- Special Olympics: Lynne and Kimberlee are registered as volunteers with Special Olympics. They are waiting for more directions from Area 9 Special Olympics. Lynne did get a message from them that they were working on a budget.
- Potential Purchases: The board voted unanimously to purchase two spotlights, four 100 foot extension cords, and a quick change stall.
- Exhibitions:
 - Christmas: December 9, 2023, 1:30pm
 - Spring: Best Date is April 27, 2024, due to rink maintenance and Memorial Cup Schedule. (April 27 was originally our second choice)
- Advertising: Lynne reported that she and Melanie attended a meeting with Blizzard Hockey Leaders, Christin, where they brainstormed on how they could help each other to build their programs. Christin reached out to the Memorial Cup leaders; they will keep us posted on possible outreach events. Nick from Bay County TV volunteered to make some 30 second commercials for us to use on social media. Melanie will let him know the dates on when to come to LTS to get the video. A link to Bay County Blizzard is now on our website under a "Partners" tab.
- Peachjar: The board rediscussed the possibility of advertising through Peach Jar. Jodi showed the board an actual Peachjar ad that was in her email. The images were small and to get to a larger image, one had to go through a few more mouse clicks. The board voted to table purchasing a Peachjar advertising package.

New Business:

- Working with hockey: It was mentioned that we could invite hockey to join us in our exhibitions.
- Medical bag: Gigi requested that we purchase additional first aid supplies. The board approved unanimously. Gigi will shop for supplies on Amazon, share her list with Lynne, and Lynne will purchase.
- Add jackets to budget: Jodi requested that club jackets be added to the budget. The board voted unanimously to add an allowance for club jackets to the annual budget. April 2022 the amount was approximately \$1500.
- The board voted unanimously not to pay for membership for Tri-State Council of Figure Skating Clubs.

- Checklist for Success: Lynne passed out Checklist for Success forms to be completed by the next meeting.
- Next meeting: November 1, 2023, after Learn to Skate.
- Lynne made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm. Motion was seconded by Jodi..