

**BGSC Board Meeting  
September 8, 2009**

Present: Linda Wenner, Pat Rabb, Sharon Kruse, Danielle Nagel, Christie Pinney

Before meeting, Betsy DeWitt presented her ideas and goals as junior club director.

Betsy discussed several ways to increase club membership including having junior club coaches meet with ice arena director and group lessons to figure out how to make both programs work for the youth skaters. Betsy's main goal is to make the club desirable to join and remain a member of. The Junior Club coaches and director will continuously make short term goals and re-evaluate these goals periodically. The Junior Club coaches are meeting September 15 to discuss the first round of short term goals and prepare a presentation for Junior Club parents to be used during registration on October 3. Betsy will meet with board members on September 22 to discuss the plan of the Junior Club coaches.

I. Secretary's Report

- a. Motion to accept minutes from August 24 special meeting made by Linda, seconded by Danielle.

II. Treasurer's Report

- a. USFS officer dues and Tri-State dues have been paid
- b. Directors and Officers insurance has been paid
- c. As of 9/8 there are 40 members of the club (12 Junior, 1 Adult, 15 Primary, 7 Board, 2 Complimentary, 2 Associate, 1 Secondary)
- d. Ice Arena billed for September ice early, this bill will be paid when ice is actually used.
- e. Motion to accept Treasurer's Report made by Christie, seconded by Danielle.

III. New Business

- a. Youth Skating Coaches: Pat and Linda met with Laura, Betsy, and Kate prior to 9/8 meeting. Laura expressed that she does not wish to be a full time Junior Club coach. The Youth Skating Coaches will be Betsy DeWitt (director), Sasha Nagorny, and if numbers permit, Kate Bresnan. Motion to accept the new coaches made by Linda, seconded by Christie, motion passed.
- b. Competition Preparation Course: There will be a make up day on 9/16 (5:15-6:15) for the cancelled session on 8/29 (bad ice). Betsy has volunteered to come help skaters on general sessions to prepare them for competition.
- c. Tri-State Seminar: The seminar is Saturday 9/12 at the Holiday Inn in BG. Linda, Sharon, Pat, and Barb will attend.
- d. Opening Day Youth Skating: Board members will contact newspapers, television and radio stations about the registration and open skate day. Registrations will also be distributed in schools (as permitted), at Tam O'Shanter, and to libraries.

IV. Old Business

- a. Synchro Update: There are still only 7 members for the youth synchronized team. There is a half hour of ice available on Saturday (10-10:30). It is proposed that this is used for a club sponsored synchronized skating course. At the end of the course there could be an exhibition for the skaters. If the course is successful it would be held again during the second Youth Skating session. The intent behind this is to keep the interest in synchronized skating up even if the club does not have a competitive team. This will hopefully build a team for future years.

- b. Competition Update: 52 skaters are signed up, most skaters have signed up for 2 or more events.
- c. Standing Committees: A list will be sent to board members to look over. Board members should be prepared to discuss what committees they want to head at the next meeting.

Motion to Adjourn: Sharon, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Linda/Pat