



**Skating Club of Lake Placid of Directors Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting 10/26/2021  
6:30pm**

**Called to Order:** 6:41 pm

**Roll Call:** Christie Sausa, Bethany Kress, Amy Fairchild, Gina Abodeely, Ed Minkoff (joined later)

excused: Robin Miller, Christina Saunders, Anne Bennett, Ciana Cerruti, Ernie Hough

Program Directors: Amanda Jones, Brooke O'Neill

**Secretary's Report:** Robin Miller

Robin was unable to log in, so the secretary's report could not be completed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Amy Fairchild

No major expenditures. Because we did not have enough board members at this point of the meeting to vote, we need to approve at the next meeting.

**President's Report:** Christie Sausa

Christie reported that there had been a few tests this month and she anticipates the virtual testing picking up again around November/December. The judges appreciated their gift cards for their work from May – September. Membership increased from 78 to 141 since the last report in September, mostly Learn to Skate USA memberships.

**Co-Director's Report**

Brooke is working on renewing all USFS memberships after the influx of new renewals. She is also working on getting the coaches contracts signed.

Brooke and Amanda asked for ideas as to how to better enforce masking, as some parents still had to be repeatedly reminded to wear masks. Amy and Christie suggested signs and an email blast/social media post reminding that all participants must wear their masks at all times as per SCLP policy.

They asked about their pay schedule and when to expect their check, and Amy said she would look it up.

Amy asked if she could come to lessons one evening to get a quick video of the skaters as part of the University Games video. The date of Wednesday, December 27 at 6:20 pm was decided upon.

## **Coaching Seminar November 1 @ 5:45 with Paul Wylie**

Christie reminded the board that there will be a coaching seminar with Paul Wylie. He is donating his time to teach an on and off ice seminar on coaching tips and techniques; Mary E joined the off-ice segment to present the judge's perspective to preparing for tests. So far several coaches have signed up including coaches from Plattsburgh and Vermont. Amanda said she would also sign up to take part. Christie welcomed any board members to attend if they are interested.

## **JAGS Dates**

Christie reminded that Paul Wylie asked the club about JAGS dates so he can start advertising. The options included December 11, 18, and January 8. The idea is to have a "try it day" where skaters can try skating and then be signed up for the next session; it's a good opportunity to attract skaters for session 2. Beth suggested December 11 or 18, if Brooke/Amanda and/or other coaches are available, suggested shooting for December 11. Amy suggested adding January dates if we have a lot of interest, Brooke said maybe January 8 but we are already into session 2, unless we aim to do one in session 2 to get the skaters for session 3. Concern is having enough coaches for additional skaters the program would bring in. The age of skaters is unclear, but either way they are all beginners – Christie said she would confirm with Paul as it gets closer what age range is predominant.

Christie asked Amanda/ Brooke if they can survey coaches about December 11 and then we would go from there.

## **Volunteer Coordinator**

Christie brought up the issue of volunteer coordinator; as we will have competitions coming back we have to discuss having a volunteer coordinator sooner rather than later. She said she would do research about what volunteer coordinators are paid, and typical responsibilities, and bring more information at a later date.

## **ESWG/World University Games**

Amy is organizing the figure skating portion of the ESWG and the University Games, and she encouraged board members to become part of the Local Organizing Committee. She specifically needs assistance with practice ice coordination (tracking payments, etc) and the Info Desk (which will be similar to the "registration desk" employed at previous competitions). Brooke said she might be able to help Amy as part of her job at ROOST, she would check on that and let her know. Beth brought up the Volunteer Handbook, and Christie said she would send it to Amy via email. Amy encouraged that anyone interested in volunteering should contact her and she would appreciate their help.

**Meeting adjourned at: 7:33 pm**