



## **Skating Club of Lake Placid Board Meeting - 11/24/2020**

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**Note:** This meeting was held online via ZOOM in lieu of in-person due to Covid-19 and in adherence with state and local mandates.

### **Called to order: 6:31 pm**

**Roll Call:** Present - BOD: Christie Sausa (Pres.), Amy Fairchild (Treas.), Robin Miller (Sec.), Megan Lyon, Gina Abodeely, Ciana Cerruti absent: Bethany Kress (V.P.), Ed Minkoff  
Co-Directors - Amanda Jones, Brooke O'Neill

**Secretary's Report:** Review of the last meeting and all of the meetings, addendums, votes and work conducted between 10/20/2020 and 11/23/2020.

Including: Financial Aid Form 2020-2021, 10/29/2020  
Addendum to the Co-Program Directors Contract & Payment Structure  
Suspension of the Sunday skating sessions & lessons on 11/15/2020  
Return to skating Program session & lessons 11/18/2020  
Covid Procedures/Policies & Waiver requested/suggested by ORDA 11/19/2020

\*\*Christie Sausa made a **motion** to accept the Secretary's Report with the additions and addendums from the extensive meetings and votes held between 10/20/2020 and 11/23/2020. Amy Fairchild seconded the motion. Approved by: Robin Miller, Gina Abodeely, Megan Lyon, Ciana Cerruti

### **Co-Program Directors Report - Brooke O'Neill & Amanda Jones**

Update - Raffle going well. A couple of skaters have sold over 200 tickets.

Robin Miller will pick up items from the rink on Sunday 11/29/2020 to complete baskets and then deliver them on Wednesday 12/1/2020.

They had a pre-eval week last week and the skaters did really well in preparation for the final testing week to be completed next week.

??? Make up night for the night that was canceled.

\*\***Motion** made by Christie Sausa to pursue with Mary Elizabeth Wightman to get icetime on 12/6/2020 to make up the night that was canceled due to safety concerns about Covid-19.

Robin Miller seconded it. Approved by: Gina Abodeely, Megan Lyon, Ciana Cerruti, Amy Fairchild

Merchandise forms have been handed out for T-shirts/Sweatshirts. Many have requested the purchase of Club Jackets. Found a company that will guarantee for Christmas. Fleece lining so they will be warmer. Embroidered SCLP logo & name options. There is a one time setup fee for the embroidery. Total for the jackets \$58.00 with logo and \$63.00 with name & logo.

**\*\*Motion** made by Robin Miller to pursue getting the jackets order forms out to the skaters in person, online and by email. Ciana Cerruti seconded the motion. Approved by: Gina Abodeely, Megan Lyon, Amy Fairchild, Christie Sausa

Amy Fairchild is going to look into the Swipe card she has, connecting to PayPal etc. to make things easier for payment of items from the club.

??? Is there going to be a Session 2 beginning 1/4/2020?? Hopefully

Discussion on communication; meaning no disrespect in the past month as there is the feeling of a disconnect between the BOD and the Co-Program Directors. Explanation that many decisions had to be done in a time sensitive manner, many of these decisions were done on the fly. Decisions had to be made. There was no intent to diminish the work of others and not respect their input. Request that Bethany Kress and Gina Abodeely are liaisons between the Co-Program Directors and the Board of Directors due to the fact they are present for many of the sessions with their daughters. Work on sharing the positives each week with a brief on what the skaters are doing; especially now in the time of Covid.

**Treasurer's Report** - Amy Fairchild Refund from USFS from North Atlantic's byes for skaters has been sent.

National Skating Month - not worth the money at this time; The Co-Directors have the ability to create many activities for the skaters to do with the SCLP logo on things to promote skating and having fun participating in the sport.

Discussion - Communication between Co-Directors and the SCLP Board of Directors

Brooke O'Neill and Amanda Jones feel like this year there seems to be less communication between the two of them and the Board.

Robin Miller pointed out that, without meaning any disrespect, this year seems as though there is a void and communication does seem to be down. This is due to the fact that access to the sessions at the rink is limited, Board meetings are being held virtually and we don't have unlimited access to each other passing in the halls of the Arena or on the streets. The SCLP Board as a whole really doesn't know what is going on during the sessions on a weekly basis. The Board does not know the protocols being followed, how the children are being taught, if and what is going right and what can be done even better. What can the Board do to help them in the limited capacity of social distancing that we have in place? Bethany Kress and Gina Abodeely are in the position to act as liaisons, as they have children skating in the program and are present during the sessions. Reports on a weekly basis, via an email, of what was spectacular or simply amazing to Christie Sausa (Pres.) will be helpful to keep communication flowing. Sharing the POSITIVES!

Scholarship Policies need to be put in writing and clarified.

Volunteer Policies need to be put in writing and clarified.

### **Presidents Report:**

1. Bylaws/Constitution need to be completed and filed; perhaps meet next week? An email will be sent out to the committee to set up a meeting.
2. Policies/Procedures needed to be completed NOW because ORDA requested and we complied. We also have the waiver and temperatures are taken daily. Quite a few of the parents don't have the forms so perhaps there is a way to sign the waiver on Entryeze for Session 2....
3. Whiteface Lodge potentially will be having more shows this winter season as there is not much for the guests to do. They have a new Zamboni and a new compressor so ice conditions should be improved. These need to be sanctioned through the SCLP.
4. Refund policy needs to be reviewed. Kantiks refund was approved. It had come through the Scholarship committee.
5. Coach at the rink possibly 2nd/3rd possible contact with potential Covid positive person. This was addressed, potentially a concern. Attention to protocols a must.
6. Session 2 will be the time frame for the National Skating Month. Due to finances as discussed we should (Co-Directors) do something fun with participants in the program. Finances are low so we can't purchase from USFS at this time.

**Motion** made that Session 2 is a GO beginning January 4, 2021 made by Christie Sausa, Seconded by Robin Miller. Approved by: Ed Minkoff, Gina Abodeely, Megan Lyon, Ciana Cerruti, Amy Fairchild

Amy Fairchild is working with Brooke O'Neill and Amanda Jones with creating a form to track coaching hours.

Scholarship Meeting - put everything all together, criteria, policies on how many given per session, how many per family per year, etc.

Volunteerism Policies - number of volunteer hours required, possible pay an amount at the beginning of the season and refunding a portion/all of it if hours are filled with volunteering. This year is difficult due to no volunteer possibilities. Discussion is needed to put this all together.

### 9th Board Member - Discussion

Ed Minkoff has someone (Billy Jacques) that he has spoken to numerous times about being on the SCLP Board.

Anne Bennett is interested in joining the Board and has submitted a letter of intent to Christie Sausa (Pres.)

Two others have spoken with Amanda Jones about being on the SCLP Board (Christina Saunders & Nathan Hough?).

Thoughts are that due to the situation with Covid and the virtual meeting set up at this time we will wait until spring.

**Motion** made by Christie Sausa to wait until Spring to fill the 9th position that is open on the SCLP Board. Seconded by Robin Miller. Approved by: Ed Minkoff, Cianna Cerruti, Megan Lyon, Gina Abodeely

Meeting Adjourned at 7:??

Next meeting December 22,2020 @ 6:30 pm Virtually :-)

Addendum to meeting:

**Motion** made by Christie Sausa to proceed with “Giving Tuesday Fundraising” and “Stewart's Holiday Match Program” . Seconded by Amy Fairchild. Approved by: Ed Minkoff, Bethany Kress, Robin Miller, Megan Lyon