

Tri State Council of Figure Skating Clubs **Saturday – June 2, 2012**

Meeting opened at: 10:12
Suzy explained the lunch menu and sign up.

Introductions around the room.

Minutes -

Motion for approval made by Lainie DeMore, and Seconded by Ann Dougherty –MOTION PASSED.

Treasurer's Report - Questions from the floor - Motion made by Lainie DeMore and seconded by Charles Cope – MOTION PASSED.

Maureen Dalton, Secretary Report

Dorothy Tank – no report

Jeff Marshall – Brief Report - will talk more about Showcase etc. later.

They have brought in new music equipment in Ohio. New equipment is great – no problems. Tri States Synchro – did a fabulous job!

Jenn from Indiana

Suzy reporting – thanks to everyone, as she steps down as President. Suzy mentioned the schedule for the day.

Interclub Social at Governing Council - Shirley Rego was the onsite representative. Everything went very well.

Bill Estey – Awards Committee Report

Presentation of a special plaque to Fraser for hosting both the Synchro and Free Skating Competition

Bill Goen – Music Committee

Replaced a number of pieces of equipment. There will be additional purchases made – probably CD Players. One thing failed this year – large mixer. \$250 – 400.00. If we didn't have this – there would be less control. Explanation of the benefits of having this equipment.

Hannelore Murphy Motioned, and Chuck Cope Seconded to purchase a new mixer. MOTION PASSED.

Good News - Bruce Langeth is starting to work as Music Coordinator in Ohio.

Insurance

Insurance – we are covered!! Treasurer is bonded for three years – through 2014. Non Profit registered with the State of Michigan

Waiting for 501C3 from Government - not in yet.

Amy Bauer – Judges School at Kalamazoo. 28 Judges attended the Judges School – approximately 15 attended the Referee School. We only need a Referee School every OTHER year. November 16 is the date for 2012.

Club Ed Seminar - Suzy Malloure- went very well.

Test Track Series – Maureen Dalton spoke about the first year. Maureen pointed out the contract – and the flyer to be put in announcements, etc. Suzy handed out medals to Tri State Members in attendance at the meeting – so they can get them to the Skaters. These were the medals that were awarded at the Freeskating Competition – but the skaters were not there.

National Skating Month - Motion made by Lore Murphy, seconded by Chuck Cope - to go out two years that TRI STATES will pay for National Skating Month Materials. MOTION PASSED

Jeff Marshall - Showcase Competition Discussion. Talking about the right time of the year in order to host this event? In 5 to 6 years - it could take over Synchro. We need to have this Yearly Competition work into our Tri States Calendar. Synchro Teams at the end of their seasons - stay skating into Theatre on Ice season so they can continue to skate.

Competition Roundtable Discussion - Suggestion: Invite Tim (from Ledin) and Barry Doren - everyone in the room seemed interested in the idea.

Competition Bids:

Kent Skating Club - they have hosted Tri States Competitions before. They have had a good financial year - so they are prepared to take it on. Opening the competition to lots of different disciplines - pairs, solo dance, singles, pairs, etc. Presentation by: Tiffany - April 5 - 7. Easter is March 31this would be the next weekend. Lore Murphy, and Chuck Cope motioned and seconded to award Kent Skating Club with the Tri States Free Skating Competition. MOTION PASSED.

Break for Lunch 11:50 AM.

Meeting Resumed at 1:00 PM

Competition Bids - continued

St. Clair Shores FSC - Synchro Competition February 15 - 16, 2013
They do have 6 large dressing rooms. No Budget Submitted.

Traverse City FSC - Synchro Competition - February 8-9 or 15 - 16
Kathy Shoemaker. They have remodeled - Red Wings train there.
Ample Parking Space. 20 Locker Rooms - 7 Rest rooms. Two Rinks
Lots of room for VENDORS. Several Hotels. Lots of Food offerings.
Lots of shops, airport 10 minutes from the rink and hotels. Traverse City has two teams. Correction about the Pin and Programs Sales - so profit would probably be around \$8,000.00 instead of 11,010.00 to Tri States.

Bowling Green SC - Synchro Competition. Weekend available February 15 - 16, 2013. There are two ice sheets - but one is much smaller. 7 - 8 Locker Rooms. Huge Parking Lot - recently improved.
Toledo Airport.

Lot of interest from the Canadian Teams. They had 66 Teams last time - but 6 teams scratched. Lots of Renovations - heating and lighting. The Lobby and the Lounge have been remodeled. Winterfest is being held the same weekend as February 15-16. Lots of extra things going on in the area. There should be no problem with the hotels. Room for 5000 people to sit.
Building across the street where teams warmed up.

Cleveland Edges Skating Club - Theatre on Ice / Showcase Competition.

Jeff MarshallHuge Warmup Area behind the curtain. Date NOT May 18 - it will be Saturday May 11, 2013. Facility wanting to work with the Club to host this competition. Difficult to set a financial - because this would be the first one. Air Fares would be very expensive. Lore Murphy Motioned, Chuck Cope Seconded - host the Tri States Theatre on Ice Competition on May 11, 2013. MOTION PASSED. National Theatre on Ice - end of June. We need to request a budget from Jeff Marshall for the November Meeting.

Motion to send a check to Don Korte - for his help with the website. Lore Murphy motioned and Steve Wolkin Seconded. MOTION PASSED.

Reimbursement for \$300.00 - for the two years. We should give him a Gift Card so that we can be sure he would use it.

Voting for the Synchronized Competition Feb 15-16, 2013

Competition hosting: Bowling Green SC, Bowling Green, OHIO

Bill Ziegler spoke about the gentleman's agreement about competitions hosting events - alternating between Michigan - Ohio - Indiana etc.....

Every year. St. Clair Shores would withdraw their bid in lieu of this historical agreement. Hannelore Murphy spoke on behalf of St. Clair Shores as they have never hosted a Tri States Competition.

SkateDanceDream Presentation

Parker Pennington and Marissa Setting up for their presentation - Skate – Dance and Dream! They told us all about their skating backgrounds - and dance backgrounds. They presented a video and spoke about their dreams and goals. They handed out printed materials and answered questions. If you are interested get in touch with them at:

Parker@SkateDanceDream.com

Club Education Seminar – September 8, 2012

8:30 – 4:00 PM

USFS going to Supervise this event.

Hilton Garden Inn – Toledo Perrysburg Exit

Alan Wolfe – Guest Speaker

Susi Wehrli also speaking

Reimbursement for Member Clubs – up to 2 each club.

Motion made by Bill Goen, seconded by Jeff Marshall, MOTION PASSED

Budget Discussion – Dorothy Tank. We have not had a dues increase in 7 years – but we are putting out substantial monies. Hannelore Murphy motioned that we raise dues to 75.00. Chuck Cope seconded the motion. Friendly: for the next two years only. Review 2013 for the two years following.

Maureen sending out email to clubs to ask who needs a school? (Both IJS and 6.0) Steve Wolkin motioned to host a school. To inquire of member clubs if a judges school would be appropriate. Seconded by Hannelore Murphy. \$ 2000.00 appropriated. MOTION PASSED. Steve Wolkin motioned, and seconded by Chuck Cope – if sufficient inquiry – the Executive Board could make a decision as to where the school is located. Rental of the IJS Equipment would be additional.

Presentation by Notre Dame Facility.

Going forward we reimburse Don Korte \$300.00 per year for maintaining the website. . Refer to Budget and Dorothy Tank – to be presented next year.

Explanation of voting for officers – in place of Caucus. We need a representative from Indiana.

We need a process for the Nominating Committee so that everyone has a fair chance to submit bios – as per Joann Eastman.

President – Jeff Marshall
Amy Bauer – Michigan Vice President
Steve Wolkin – Ohio Vice President
Indiana – Tracey Mulherin - Vice President
Secretary – Maureen Dalton
Treasurer – Dorothy Tank
Western Pennsylvania – Donna Cerami

Next Meeting – November 17, in Kalamazoo, Michigan – on the Sunday following the Kick Off Classic. To be held in the Hotel where the officials will be staying.

Suzy Malloure was given our thanks and appreciation for the great job as President. She was presented with a Cookie Flower Arrangement as well as an engraved pen and pencil set.

Move to Adjourn – Lainie DeMore and Shirley Rego. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned 2:45 PM

Meeting of the Executive Board followed the General Meeting. All officers signed the appropriate Conflict of Interest forms.