# SFFSC January 22, 2013 Board Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order @ 7:07 pm at the Avera Living Well Center.

Those in attendance were Debbie Geddes, President; Lisa Jensen, Vice President; Patty Grady, Treasurer; Karen Thornbrugh, Skating Director/Head Coach; and board members Leah Broesder, Sally Pelletier, Brian Knudson and Susan McDowell, Secretary.

## **Minutes**

Minutes from the November 2012 board meeting were distributed to all in attendance. After review, Sally motioned to approve, Patty seconded and the board approved the November 2012 board meeting minutes.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Patty distributed the Statement of Activities Report. After review, Susan made a motion to approve, Leah seconded and the financial statement was approved by the board.

Patty informed the board we are paying a \$95 management fee on our club bank account. She will be researching other, more reasonable options. She also mentioned that our costs for liability insurance have increased this year. Other options will be explored for next year.

#### **Karen Update**

Karen reported that New Ulm, Family Fun Skate and Parade of Lights were all successful events and all well attended.

#### **Frosty Blades**

SFFSC is sending 33 skaters (119 events) to Blaine, Minnesota in February for competition.

#### Blades of March

There are 7 SFFSC skaters attending this competition in early March. Karen and Sarah will be there for coaching and fulfilling judging hours.

#### Show

We currently have 63 skaters signed up for show (28 of which are in 2 plus numbers). Registration is still open for skaters to sign up. MPI is scheduled to videotape the show.

# **Coaches Update**

Coach Amanda is on a temporary leave of absence.

# **Skating Contracts - Session 2**

Discussion took place regarding clarification of our session/payment policy. No changes will be made to our current policy, only that it will be enforced.

When contracting a session, full payment of that session (each date included on the contract) will be required. Skaters will not be allowed to pick and choose the dates that work in their calendar and pay accordingly. Exceptions will be made only in extreme cases and board approval will be necessary.

If a skater needs more flexibility than our policy allows, it is recommended the skater not contract the session and instead utilize the "drop-in ice" option.

# **End-Of-Year Party**

Brian Knutson, committee chair, is currently exploring some options for this end of season event.

# **Fundraising**

A fundraiser for SFFSC will take place next fall—9/23/13 (Monday night) at the Pizza Ranch Restaurant on 41st Street. Leah is looking into other fundraising opportunities for this skating season.

# **Future Discussion Topics**

Debbie addressed a few concerns/ideas to discuss at the next board meeting.

These include:

Club Volunteer Hours/Fundraising Requirements

Competitions the club sanctions vs competitions skater attends (covering coach absences) Membership levels

Contracting morning ice for next year

Sally made a motion to adjourn, Debbie seconded and the board approved the decision to adjourn the meeting at 9:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted by, Susan McDowell, Secretary

The next SFFSC Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 12, 2013 at 7:00 pm at the Avera Living Well Center.