

January 7, 2020 SFFSC Board Meeting  
Minutes

**Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:17 pm. Board Members in attendance were Jennifer Sigette, Deb Melstad, Riley Klein, Tiffany Thornton, Pat Hoier, Katie Jess, Barb Ebeling, Erin Steever, Jane Eilders and Wendy Quam. Board member not in attendance was Jim Naro. Guest member in attendance was Jennifer Kilmer (USFS Membership Chair)

**Open Forum** (time for guests to bring forth agenda items) No items brought forth during the meeting

**Approve meeting agenda** Katie moved to approve the meeting agenda. Deb seconded and all approved

**Approve last meeting's minutes** Erin moved to approve last meeting's minutes. Jennifer seconded and all approved.

**Director's Report** Registration just opened for everything with Session 3 and Spring Show. Tiffany will be able to report numbers at next month's meeting. There are currently 77 kids in LTS and Excel. However, those numbers are not final and will go up as more registrations come in.

Show registration: Home Club Registration went out today. A LTS reminder went out again today. Tiffany is working on a budget. She estimates it will take \$5,000 for summer ice and coach costs.

Summer Programming: Tiffany would like to give out dates before April and will give the board info at next month's meeting.

**Standing Reports**

**Treasurer's Report (Erin)**

Current balances:

Checking: \$13,882

Saving: \$21,536

Scrip: \$1,280.13

Christmas Show income included:

Raffle baskets: \$176

Bake Sale: \$70

Admission: \$895 on site  
Admission: \$515 (SE)  
Registration \$1,000 \*same as last  
year.

**Budget (Erin)**

Tabled until next  
month

**Membership update (Barb)**

No updates

**USFS Testing Chair (Jane)** There is an upcoming test session in March, the Friday of the competition. We will be able to do dance tests during this test session. Registration will open soon.

**Schedules and Registrations: covered in Director's  
report**

**Fundraising Stampede event-** Sold 23 tickets, \$422.50 earned for puck sales. Difficult schedule over Christmas break created lower attendance but it was still a fun and successful event. The Stampede has offered to do a second event later this season.

*Smallcakes Fundraiser:* 9 skaters participated- 58 items sold. \$1,470 in total purchases. 20%, \$294, was given back to the club. Some people elected to give cash donations instead of purchasing items for an amount of \$330. \$624.00 earned with this fundraiser.

*Flyboy Donuts-* Deb will reach out to contact and present information to the board.

*Corporate Sponsorships:* Briefly discusses

**Marketing**

**(Jennifer)** No  
updates

**Volunteer (Barb)** People are signing up for music playing. There is a sign in sheet in the Freestyle Ice book.

**Scrip Report  
(Deb)**

**start 2/1/19 12/31/19**

Family #1 \$128.70

Family #2 \$46.13

Family #3 \$350.45

Family #4 \$193.60

Family #5 \$95.20

Family #6 \$209.40

Family #7 \$256.65

**total\$1,280.13**

**Junior Board Report (Mackenzie Melstad and Tessa Eilders)- Pat** The Junior Board hosted the Christmas party. There was lots of good feedback. There has been a request for a Valentine's Party.

The Junior Board will start meeting again this Sunday to start planning for the end of year banquet, show and other parties they want to host.

**Spring Show** Michelle Hoier and Jane Naro (show chairs) will be meeting this week to discuss the show plans

## **Old Business**

**Bylaws revisited** Tabled as Jim was not at the meeting

**Policy Review Committee** Jim and Pat have been working on a policy for the new SafeSport requirements. Do we want to have it in our bylaws/policy or do we want to write a policy that we continually have to rewrite? Board was in agreement that we don't have to write a new policy but instead will have a blanket statement in our Bylaws that we will follow SafeSport requirements

**E-Mail use follow-up** [Info@sffsc.com](mailto:Info@sffsc.com) is set up and working.

**Retreat Dates follow-up (set new dates for mid-year review)** Decided to wait until after the show to discuss the retreat follow up. We will aim for May. May will set us up great for the fall and the new board will be elected.

## **New Business**

**Ice Safety and athletes congregating on ice during Freestyle:** This is a hazard and danger: skaters should not be congregating on ice. It needs to be addressed while it is happening. Tiffany wants to empower the coaches to address it.

**Learn To Skate Push:** Discussed SFFSC members being at Open Skating. They will bring up again at the Junior Board Meeting. Also discussed the Park and Rec program. Tiffany will reach out to Parks and Rec to discuss their Intro to Ice Skating Program and Date Night/Skate Night Program.

**Fundraising / donation requests** Jim has asked for information on what people get for their donation. He thinks it would be beneficial to be able to tell potential sponsors what their donation provides. Deb has the sponsorship list from last year's competition. Also discussed adding a donate here link to the club website.

**Holiday Show** - Discussed a locker room misunderstanding during the Holiday show. Tiffany will confirm with Brian that rooms are reserved.

**Need for a single point person/chairperson** Discussed the need to have a single off ice point person for each event going forward. Upcoming Event Contacts *Spring Show:* Jane Naro and Michelle Hoier *Competition:* Deb Melstad (ISI) and Jane Eilders (USFS)

**Harness Training Video whereabouts (or other training options, if any?):** Video was taken on the iPad. If coaches need training, they will need to go to Tiffany for instruction.

**Music bag - alternate storage in cage or rolling closet possibility so coaches/volunteers can access more quickly:** We will leave the music bag in the locker room. If needed, volunteers will have to ask a skater to get it.

**Spirit wear/club jackets or vests** Deb will do research to find the best company and will bring three proposals to the next meeting.

**Cage Screen Update** We need to have a screen covering our cage. Cost is \$254.45. Bryan/Iceplex is willing to pay for 50% of it. In addition, we got an amazing deal through Michael's fence from a hockey connection.

**Testing out of Club** We need to add a form for skaters to use if they are participating in a test session outside of Sioux Falls. If a skater has any questions, they should contact their coach.

**Adjournment.** Katie moved to adjourn. Jane seconded and all approved.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:14 pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 4 at 6:00 pm (1st Tuesday of the month unless otherwise determined)