

SKATE CANADA P.E.I.

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS'S MEETING

Wednesday, January 29, 2003

Summerside Atlantic Superstore

Board Room

PRESENT: Nancy Hashie Chair

Elizabeth MacKay Vice Chair/Skater Development

Jean Eldershaw Past Chair/Evaluators/Judges Chair

Barb Mayhew Secretary/Competition Chair

John Dunphy Treasurer

Kelsey McIntosh Executive Director

Libby Colwill Accountants Chair

Michelle Coyle Coaches Rep.

Debbie Caissy Synchronized Skating Chair

Darlene Gallant Membership Chair

Johanne Ings Pownal FSC Rep.

Nancy Weeks For Dave Hodge Charlottetown FSC Rep

Danny Lane Cornwall & Area FSC Rep.

Susan Gallant Rustico (Wings on Ice) FSC Rep

Joanne Parnham Summerside FSC Rep.

Yvette MacLellan Evangeline FSC Rep.

Susan Yeo Davison Alberton Silver Blades Rep.

DeAnna Heckbert Summerside Observer

Karen D. Rockway Summerside Observer

Heather Matheson Summerside Observer

Janice Mackinnon Fraser Summerside Observer

ITEM I: CALL TO ORDER: Nancy Hashie, Section Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:46 PM. A

quorum was determined.

ITEM II: ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: Under Correspondence Michelle Coyle was added, under New Business, Date to Skate (2) Suggestions from O'Leary (3) and Club Constitutions (4) were added.

It was moved by Susan Yeo Davison and seconded by Libby Colwill that the agenda be accepted with additions.

MOTION CARRIED

ITEM III: MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING: It was moved by Darlene Gallant and seconded by Elizabeth MacKay, that the minutes be accepted.

MOTION CARRIED

ITEM IV: CORRESPONDENCE:

Michelle Coyle read a letter from a skater requesting funding for skating dance lessons in Moncton, N.B. **Motion: To decline funding to this skater as she does not qualify for the criteria under Skate Canada PEI funding.**

It was moved by John Dunphy, seconded by Michelle Coyle

MOTION CARRIED

An invitation was received to attend a brunch celebrating Girls & Women in Sport.

Information was received on a Sport Museum

All Projects are to be in by January 31, 2003

There will now be a National Coach re-certification fee

Nancy asked if members would like someone from Skate Canada to speak at the Annual Meeting. She suggested someone to go over how to register online. The members felt this would provide valuable information.

ITEM V: TREASURER'S REPORT: It was moved by Barb Mayhew that John Dunphy replace Heather Cooke as Treasurer for the rest of her term. Seconded by Darlene Gallant

MOTION CARRIED

John passed out his Treasurers report to all present. John moved his report be accepted as presented, seconded by Elizabeth MacKay

MOTION CARRIED

ITEM VI: COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Accountants: Attached.

Awards: Attached.

Coaches: Attached Michelle Coyle is to contact Mary Ellen MacInnis Re: 25 year pin for Martha.

Competitions: Attached

Evaluators/Judges: Attached.

Membership: Attached.

Recreational Skating: No report

Skater Development: Attached.

Synchronized Skating: Attached. **Please send Team list and Birth Certificates ASAP to Debbie Caissy. March 15, 2003 will be the Friendship Synchronized Competition in Summerside.**

Sport PEI: Kelsey would like to remind all Committee members to please **bold all deadlines**, it helps single them out. There are still lottery tickets left if any club would like to have some. Please forward any club events to Sport PEI and they will put them on their notice board

Barb Mayhew moved the acceptance of all reports as presented, seconded by Debbie Caissy

MOTION CARRIED

ITEM VII: NEW BUSINESS:

2002 AGM Financial Report. - It will be presented at the next meeting

Date to Skate: Janice MacKinnon Fraser read a letter Re: Issues/problems from the 2002 Date to Skate Competition. They were looking for advice on how to improve on their competition. One suggestion was to change their date to January, to ease the Judge problem but with the club competitions taking

place in January, it was felt accounting would be a problem. It was also felt that this being a Canada

Games year, they may not run into this again another year. Skate Dartmouth is on the same weekend as

they changed their dates because of Canada Games. It is hoped in a few years, we will have enough of our own Judges that we will not have to depend on those from off Island.

O'Leary would like to know why you cannot attend the Dance Seminar if you attend the Fall Youth Camp.

All clubs please work on your constitutions

Budgets were received from Alberton for Interclub funding and Kensington for ADL funding. Kensington only sent the expense portion of their budget so a revenue/expense budget is requested.

It was moved by Jean Eldershaw, Seconded by Libby Colwill that funding be extended to Alberton for

Interclub and Kensington for ADL, once the Revenue/Expense budget is presented.

MOTION CARRIED

ITEM VIII: NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held Thursday, February 27, 2003 in Kensington, Barb will book a place

ITEM IX: ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, it was moved by Darlene Gallant that the meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted. Barb Mayhew, Secretary

ACCOUNTANTS REPORT

January 29/03

Club competitions are completed, not without difficulties. Both laptops computers developed data base corruptions and needed to be reworked. Thank you to the accountants who patiently worked around and through the problems. It was a real learning experience for all who were involved. The problems will be fixed but removing the old version and installing the newest version. As well repairs were needed on the Section desk top computer. Hopefully everything is in working order again ready for our for largest events.

Chief accountants and computer accountants have been appointed for the four remaining Section competitions. Additional accountants will be assigned as needed.

		Chief Accountant	Computer Accountant
Inter Club	Feb. 1	June Easter	Libby Colwill
Date to Skate	Feb. 7-8	Anna Mae Barlow	Valerie MacKinnon
Star	Feb 21-23	Barb Moase	Libby Colwill
ADL	March 1	Nancy Hashie	Barb Mayhew

Barb Moase has accepted an appointment to work as an accountant at the Canada Winter Games in Campbellton.

Respectfully submitted

Libby Colwill
Accountants Chair

Awards Report Jan 29/03

I have received nomination papers from the following clubs: Morell, Pownal, Evangeline and Alberton.

The following clubs were bringing their papers tonight: O'Leary, Summerside, and Sherwood.

The coach of Ch'town and Rustico is aware that I wanted the forms tonight.

I have had no contact from Cornwall, Kensington, Montague, Tignish and Tyne Valley.

I will take nominations forms up until this Friday, Jan. 31. They can either be mailed to me or sent to Kelsey.

The phone line for my Internet access is not working so if anyone has e-mailed me in the last few days I apologize for not answering. The telephone company is still trying to find the problem.

Remember to all clubs that the Star Skate Bursary, which is to be mailed directly to Skater Canada, must be postmarked by Feb.1. Don't miss this opportunity to recognize one of your Star Skaters.

Mary Ellen McInnis
Awards Chair

Coaches Report – January 2003

In December a Level 1 Theory Course was offered at UPEI. There were a few of new coaches registered for this course. I have been receiving phone calls when the next primary evaluators clinic will be. I have interested coaches.

This year Martha Murnaghan will have been coaching for 25 years. I would like to see a presentation for her at the upcoming AGM.

We now have 2 coaches who have received special permission to be on the ice coaching, Lindsay Dickieson and Lisa McHerron.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Coyle
Coaches Chair

COMPETITION REPORT
January 27, 2003

Happy New Year!!!

The BMO Financial Group Skate Canada Junior Canadians are set to start on January 29 in Brampton, Ontario. Rachael MacAulay will represent PEI Juvenile Event.

Clubs have been busy this month holding club competitions and getting ready for a busy February.

Interclub will be held for the Western Clubs this weekend. Date to Skate is ready to go on February 8 & 9th. The STARSkate competition is entering its final planning stages, Dianne MacIssac will be giving an update on this.

Now that the Club competitions are over, clubs are reminded to get their entries for The ADL Junior Figure Skating Competition in by the due date.

Just a reminder, would the club representatives please ensure any competition information be passed along to the necessary people in their club. In one club, skaters nearly missed a competition because they did not have the information passed on to them.

Respectfully submitted

BarbMayhew

Competition Chair

Evaluator/Judges Report January 2003

Training for skaters who are willing to judge at club competitions was held in December at Sport PEI. The time and location was changed from Friday night in Summerside to Saturday in Charlottetown because of Friday night Xmas dance. A list of potential judges was circulated to clubs.

Evaluators for test days were as follows:

December 17 Cornwall Primary: Beryl Mac Millan and Wendy Reid

December 28 Charlottetown Intermediate High: Debbie Mac Murdo and Wendy Reid

January 11 Alberton Primary Test Day: Sandra Casley and Patsy Bernard

January 5 Sherwood Primary: Sandra Casley

January 12 (postponed from January 5) Caryn Leask , Rosanne Raine and Sandra Casley

January 5 Charlottetown: Debbie Mac Mudro (dance tests partnered by Tom Mann)

January 18: Rustico Primary: Sandra Casley and Patsy Bernard

January 18: Morell Primary Test Day Beryl Mac Millan

January 24: Evangeline Test Day: Patsy Bernard, Sandra Casley and Becky Chaisson

Judges have been secured for Date To Skate. Two out of provinces will be coming. Unfortunately I was unable to find a second and third Novice/Pre Novice level judge in Nova Scotia or New Brunswick and these two events had to be dropped from the schedule. This year Skate Dartmouth is the same weekend as Date To Skate- a week later than usual.

I am now working on Star Skate Competition. It is the same weekend as Nova Scotia and New Brunswick so I have had to go to Ontario in search of judges.

Skaters who skate two clubs -one in east and one in west -are not entitled to test days in both clubs. There was one incident where a skater took a test in Charlottetown and tried it again in O'Leary. She will not be permitted to take test in that discipline in March.

Scheduled March Test Days:

Montague Primary Test Day: March 4

Kensington Primary Test Day: March 12

Charlottetown Primary Test Day March 13

Pownal Primary Test Day: March 16

Summerside Primary Test Day: March 17

Intermediate/High Test Day East: March 22 Cornwall

Intermediate/high Test Day West March 23 O'Leary

To be Determined: Primary Test Day for Tignish, O' Leary, Alberton and Tyne Valley. Tyne Valley and Alberton have their turn.

There will be a weekend evaluator/judges clinic in Nova Scotia in April.

There should be room for one or two from our section.

Clubs should forward copies of summary sheets immediately following test days.

Jean Elershaw

Membership Report

submitted by Darlene Gallant

I have received the club activity stats from Skate Canada for the registration year 2002-2003. The first thing that had to be checked was the competitive skater column as we cannot have a competitive skater registered for STAR competition or vice versa. The Charlottetown Club has fixed their competitive skater registration from 2 to 5 skaters. This is how the registration looks.

Evangeline	comp.sk. - 1
Iceland	comp.sk. - 1
Kensington	comp.sk - 1
O'Leary	comp.sk. - 2
Summerside	comp.sk. - 1
Charlottetown	comp.sk. - now 5

No other skaters are registered as competitive.

The stats I received from the clubs are less than Skate Canada stats. They total 1454 with Skate Canada. I feel the difference is our CanPower skaters as not all clubs has given me their CanPower Skate numbers. Every club is out a few skaters but again Skate Canada's total is higher than mine.

Would anyone having new stats for their clubs -please e-mail or call me.

Darlene

Skater Development Committee Report **January 29, 2003**

Junior Canadians

Rachael MacAulay, her coach Cindy Stavert, and her parents departed Tuesday for Junior Canadians in Brampton, Ontario. Since Rachael was our only competitor at the competition, and because her parents were accompanying her, we allowed Cindy to act as Team leader. In addition to the competition, Rachael and her parents will also attend seminars put on by Skate Canada at the event.

Canada Winter Games

Preparations for 2003 Canada Winter Games in late February/early March are in full swing and our Island Athletes will be attending a rally on February 10. This will be a chance for the athletes to meet each other and to receive part of their team outfits. The Figure Skating Team, consisting of our two Pre-Novice Ladies entries, Rachael MacAulay and Isabelle Keeler, as well as Team Manager Carolyn Tessier and Head Coach Julie McNeill will participate in the second week of Competition. Unfortunately, our alternate for this event, Tanya Gallant, does not accompany the team. We wish them the best of luck and hope they enjoy the "Games Experience". We will be forwarding biographies on the skaters to Skate Canada for the coverage on TSN and CTV. The figure Skating events take place from March 2 – 8, 2003.

Program Funding (Deadline March 15, 2003)

Program funding applications will be available in the next week. Due to budget cutbacks, we have reduced the amount eligible to \$100.00 per skater. To receive this funding, skaters must *qualify* for the "A", "B", or "C" Teams as outlined in the Competitive Club guidelines. Please refer to your Skater Development Handbook for

details. We will also be more stringent in what qualifies as Program Funding, specifically in the area of Choreography. The purpose of this funding was to allow flexibility in planning a skaters training season, and the category of choreography was intended to substitute Skater Development bringing in a trained choreographer, but instead subsidizing the skater hiring a private choreographer, such as Katherine MacLellan. It is not intended for choreography prepared by the skaters regular freeskate coach. Also please note that dance training is for off-ice dance such as ballet, jazz, etc, not Skate Canada dances, and that expenses must be incurred between March 16, 2002 and March 15, 2003. If you have any questions please consult your Skater Development Handbook, or contact myself.

Respectfully submitted

Elizabeth MacKay
Skater Development Chair

Synchro Report January 2003

The 2002/03 Synchronized Skating Clinic was a huge success. All skaters had a great clinic, developing new skills while making new friends. Lyne and Igor were fantastic again this year. The skaters especially enjoyed Igor's off ice Russian dance sessions. Andrew Dobson got the teams working together, encouraging once another and cheering. Certificates were made for each skater to acknowledge their participation in the clinic.

FSC Action Item _ I am still waiting for the teams lists and birth certificate copies for each skater. Team Managers have until the end of January to send them to me.

Judges have been arranged for the 2003 Synchronized Skating Championships on Feb 21st.

I have contacted all the Synchro judges on PEI and confirmed their interest in continuing to judge our events and to verify that they have been registered with a club for this skating season.

Team pictures will be available at the Synchro Championships at a cost of \$8.00/skater. Each skaters received a 5x7 picture. To book the team pictures contact Kelsey prior to January 31st, 2003.

Skate Canada is conducting a survey of synchronized Skating teams across Canada. I have sent the survey to each coach, who in turn fills a survey out / team they coach. Completed surveys are to be sent directly to Jackie Stell-Buckingham at Skate Canada.

I am currently organizing a Friendship Synchronized Skating Competition to be held at Cahill Stadium on Saturday, March 15, 2003. The announcement is ready, this evening, to go out to clubs. I am working with the annual competition and move it around the province to the different Synchro clubs. This event will have 3 parts for the teams to earn points, 1. Skills competition, 2. Skate their routine and 3. Team cheer event. The team with the most points, in each festival level, will take home a perpetual trophy. The trophy will be engraved, and returned the following year to be awarded again.

Debbie Caissy, Synchronized Skating Coordinator