



Texas Gulf Coast Figure Skating Club
Board Meeting MINUTES
Wednesday, October 12, 2022 at 7:15pm
Via Zoom

Members present – Melissa, Louise, Janelle, Shima, Christina, Susan, Ying, Emily, Jennifer, Judi, Mandy, Kelly

- I. Call to Order and Attendance *Louise*
 - a. Meeting called to order at 7:15 p.m.

- II. Welcome & Introductions *Janelle*

- III. Reports *Ying*
 - a. Membership *Ying*
 - i. Current Membership Numbers
 1. We currently have 246 active members
 - b. Treasurer *Melissa*
 - i. Current balance of around \$75,000 (probably due to increased programming)
 - ii. Would like to have some smaller fundraisers throughout the year
 - c. Secretary *Louise*
 - i. Weekly Email to Club, submission deadline: Sundays each week
 - ii. Bulletin Board – will be changed seasonally; will include photos and current events
 - d. Competitions *Janelle*
 - i. Skate Houston Wrap Up – WE DID IT!
 1. Chief Referee Comments
 - a. No NQS bids until the second rink opens
 - b. Good to have medical providers on site
 - c. Great job pivoting with Bellurive
 - d. Video person was awesome
 - e. Helpful to have announcements and music in Music Booth
 2. What can we do better?
 - a. Fundraising and sponsorship
 - b. Update paperwork
 - c. Intentional & thoughtful deadlines for logo, sponsors, and program copy
 3. Budget Overview *Melissa*
 - a. Made around \$25,000
 - i. Researched travel for better fares
 - ii. Hospitality worked hard to keep costs down
 - ii. Sugar Skate Dates
 1. Friday, March 31 - Sunday, April 2, 2022, applying for Excel Series
 - a. Want Practice ice on Friday
 - e. Testing *Janelle*
 - i. Train new test committee members
 - ii. November 5, 2022 - in person (full) and virtual (12 registered)
 - iii. Future Dates – cannot fully book because rink does not know best dates yet
 1. January 2023
 2. March 2023 (Virtual?)
 3. May 2023

4. July 2023 (Virtual?)
5. Late October/Early November 2023

IV. New Business

Janelle & Open Discussion

- a. Club Transparency
 - i. Update website to include board meeting minutes, stipend documents, awards schedule, event calendar
 1. Find out WHO we are... WHAT we do... WHEN we do it
 2. Could add "A Skater's Journey" on the webpage
 - ii. Open meetings to club members?
 1. Perhaps do this for the General meeting in January
 - iii. Board Member Headshots and Bios – small bios and photo session TBD
- b. Club Recognitions - thoughts on creating an Awards Schedule?
 - i. Double/Triple/Quadruple Gold Medalist
 1. Trophy, presented at Nutcracker and recognized at End of Year Awards Gala
 - ii. Team USA
 1. Competition gift, present stipend, perform at exhibition
 - iii. NQS Competitors
 1. Competition gift (vests), performed at Skate Houston Exhibition
 - iv. Nine States Competitors
 1. Competition gift (blankets), exhibition, program ad, bulletin board recognition
 - v. End of Year Awards Gala
 1. Superlative awards and trophies for members in attendance
 2. Gold Medalist Recognition
 3. Double/Triple/Quadruple Gold Medalist
 4. Graduating High School Senior
 - vi. Social Media
 1. Competition Send Offs, Gold Medalist(s), After competition photo gallery/slideshow, etc.
- c. Parent Education - Need ideas!
 - i. Jennifer Simon & Kristen Belcourt have volunteered to give parent education seminars.
 - ii. A few ideas they've presented
 1. Testing Structure
 2. IJS Technical Panel
 3. IJS Components
 4. How a club organizes a competition
 - iii. Two possible tracks:
 1. Intro with parent education and basic information
 - a. Experienced parents could facilitate
 2. IJS with higher level education/information
 - iv. Other topics
 1. Transitions
 - a. LTS → private
 - b. Private → competition
 2. LTS vs. FS (vs. Club)?
 3. How to put on skates?
 4. Skate maintenance
 5. Volunteering to be official
 - a. "You Be the Judge" seminar
 6. Held during LTS classes???

V. Adjourn at 8:21 p.m.