

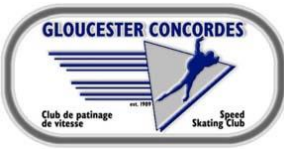
**MINUTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE MEETING
GLOUCESTER CONCORDES SPEEDSKATING CLUB**

**September 17, 2014, 18:30
Centre Récréatif Bob MacQuarrie, Orléans**

Attendance: Laurel Rockwell (LR), Michel Trottier (MT), Janique Gagnon (JG), Neil Monkman (NM), Joanne Michaud (JM), Doug Durham (DD), Teresa McGarry (TM)

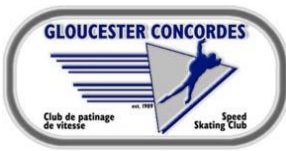
Regrets: Jean Hurtubise (JH), Mike Rivet (MR), Stu Joliffe (SJ), Dean Hoisak (DH)

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION BY:
1	<p><u>Approval of Agenda</u></p> <p>LR called the meeting to order at 18h45. The agenda was approved with one item added under New Business – Schedule for the office.</p> <p>Motion by MT; seconded by JM.</p>	Motion carried
2	<p><u>Minutes of Previous Executive Meeting</u></p> <p>The minutes of the last executive meeting were approved.</p> <p>Motion by DD; seconded by TM.</p>	Motion carried
3	<p><u>Correspondence</u></p> <p>A. It appears that our new address was not forwarded to OSSA. JG will be sending them our new coordinates via email.</p> <p>B. There was some feedback from parents that there was confusion as to when the classes were starting. It is suggested for next year to verify the date we have the ice in order to confirm the actual start of classes and announce it on the website.</p>	JG
4	<p><u>Old Business</u></p> <p>A. <u>Registrar - update</u>: JM has volunteered to be the registrar – email from the website will be sent directly to her. Lisa Kluke will be the Meet Registrar. NM motioned that JM be appointed as Registrar for the remainder of the year, DD seconded. All in favour, no abstentions. MT requested to have JM personal email address so that the registrar email address from the website be linked to hers. A question was raised about the SSC numbers being posted, as we now need this number to register online for the meets. This list will be left in the office but it will be stressed to parents to have this number on hand in the future. LR also suggests to post this list on the website as well – MT agrees and will post. JM will update our list of skaters, associates, and others as it appears it was not recently updated.</p> <p>B. <u>Website – update</u>: MT asks for the following information in order to update the website:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o <u>Executive</u> – Names and email addresses o <u>Dates where there will be no skating</u> – 13 Oct 14; 18 Dec 14-04 Jan 15; closed for March break 2015. o <u>Description of new skating groups</u> – LR indicates that we can use the descriptions from last year and just adapt them (e.g. Group 2 is LTSS for one year, etc.) LR invites MT to submit any questions to her if he is not sure of the description. o <u>List of coaches</u> – including leads for each group o <u>President's message</u> <p>In addition, MT has not been able to contact Ursula in regards to online registration and the calendar for the website. LR suggested contacting Dennis Vogt in order to obtain the correct contact information.</p>	<p>Motion carried</p> <p>MT</p> <p>JM</p> <p>JG</p> <p>MT</p> <p>MT/LR</p> <p>MT/LR</p> <p>MT/Dennis Vogt</p>



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	<p>A discussion took place about having another organization take over our online registration. LR mentioned that we are a small organization and thus, it is cost-prohibitive. She added that the registration could be simplified. NM looked at other clubs across the province and saw that some have a complex form like ours while others used a simplified fee structure (by number of hours on ice for example) with only one final fee instead of having all the categories we have on our forms at this time. NM would be willing to work with MT to develop such a form.</p> <p>JM asked MT to post on the website that she will be sending an order for the club skin suits next week. JM will send an email to MT, who will ask JH to send a general message to the club members.</p> <p>NM also mentions that he can take the lead for club wear, assisted by his spouse, Heather. LR suggests that a post could be made to indicate whom to contact for this. NM will contact a company rep that he knows to find out prices.</p> <p>C. <u>Financial - update</u>: DD tells the board that we are in good financial situation – Sept 8/14, \$57k in our account. Another deposit will be done and add \$6k, with final payments from registration deposited in mid-October (\$8k). Ice payments comparison for the last two years showed they were consistent @ \$35k-\$36k per year.</p> <p>In addition, extra ice became available at Sensplex East @ \$180/hr (Friday morning 06h30-08h00) [\$4k/year]. LR felt that this was not an opportunity to pass, as we will have first choice for that spot each year in the future for our club. Masters and Comp A skaters would really be interested in using this ice time and Mike Rivet would be coaching. In addition, we were given mats from the Pacers and were looking for storage – this would have been done at a cost of \$3k-\$4k/year – but now, the mats can be left at the Sensplex East without any fee as we have a contract for ice. JH moved them tonight. A discussion ensued about what fee to charge the skaters wanting to use this extra ice time. NM suggests that a maximum amount of \$150 could be initially calculated with the understanding an adjustment can be made according to the number of skaters utilizing it. The board agreed to this suggestion and will revisit at the next meeting.</p> <p>D. <u>Coaching - update</u>: MR not available for the meeting tonight. Many coaches have left the club this past year so we are in need of new coaches. MR is the overall lead coach. Joanne Gosselin is the lead coach for Group 1 and 2 with Troy Johnson, Lily Weidemann helping her. For Group 3, MR head coach, with John Weidemann and Heidi Hickey helping. Finally, for Group 4 MR leads with John Weidemann and Stephane Parent helping. Group 5 having lost his lead this year, MR is heading but we are looking for someone to help. As we can see, we do not have enough coaches – the board will need to approach new parents and encourage them to get involved.</p> <p>E. <u>Equipment</u>: JH states that we will need dollies to move the mattresses within Sensplex East – they should be made in the near future. New pairs of skates and blades were purchased and need to be sharpened and put together. JH has cut some mats cut in half in order to add them to our current mattress and offer better protection when skaters are on the ice and fall into them. JH is also looking into purchasing clap blades for the long track season.</p> <p>F. <u>Fundraising / Marketing/ Advertising</u>: Deferred to next month.</p> <p>G. <u>Policies</u>: NM has not been able to work on the draft submission. He is hoping do so before the next meeting for review as the final date of submission is in late October.</p>	<p>MT/NM</p> <p>JM/MT</p> <p>NM</p> <p>JH</p> <p>NM</p>
<p>5</p>	<p><u>New Business</u></p> <p>A. <u>Schedule for the office</u>: LR told the board that we need to have someone in the office on a regular basis during the skating nights. LR available on Wednesdays 17h30-20h30. Also need someone on Monday and Tuesday nights from 19h00-21h00. A member of the</p>	



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	board needs to walk during practices to talk with parents. LR will hold a parents' meeting in the next few weeks. A sign up sheet will be put in the office so that the members of the board can look and pick the times when they are available.	
6	<u>Adjournment</u> Meeting adjourned at 20h45. Motion by DD; seconded by MT. Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 15 October 2014 at 1830hrs at Bob MacQuarrie Complex, Hall C.	Motion carried.