



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

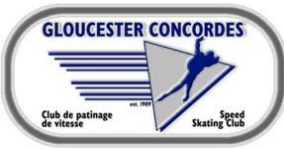
**May 20, 2015, 18:45**

**Centre Récréatif Bob MacQuarrie, Orléans**

Attendance: Laurel Rockwell (LR), Jean Hurtubise (JH), Doug Durham (DD), Janique Gagnon (JG), Joanne Michaud (JM), Mike Rivet (MR), Stu Jolliffe (SJ), Kathy Matthews (KM), Michel Trottier (MT)

Regrets: Neil Monkman (NM), Lisa Kluge (LK), Dean Hoisak (DH), Laura-Lee Balkwill (LLB), Kevin Cooke (KC), Bob Blondin (BB)

| <b>ITEM</b> | <b>DISCUSSION</b>  | <b>ACTION BY:</b>            |
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| <b>1</b>    | <b><u>Approval of Agenda</u></b><br>JH called the meeting to order at 19h00. The agenda was approved as proposed.<br>Motion by MT; seconded by DD.   | Motion carried               |
| <b>2</b>    | <b><u>Minutes of Previous Executive Meeting</u></b><br>The minutes of executive meetings dated 11 March 2015 and 15 April 2015 were approved as written.<br>Motion by SJ; seconded by JM.  | Motion carried               |
| <b>3</b>    | <b><u>Correspondence</u></b><br>We received an invitation from Royal Galipeau, MP, to submit and participate to a Volunteers Award Evening. Unfortunately, the letter was dated in February 2015. JG will send a reply thanking Mr. Galipeau for the invitation and to keep us on the list for next year.  | JG                           |
| <b>4</b>    | <b><u>Old Business</u></b><br>A. <u>Financial – update</u> : DD reports that OSSA fees have been paid. We presently have approximately \$21k in our account. MR suggests that Mr. Boldger from the Pacers (a Chartered Accountant) set up a program for us to do the bookkeeping, as was done with the Pacers. He will talk to him and see if we can have a similar set up for our club.<br>B. <u>Registrar - update</u> : JM reports that an interclub skater wanted to know if there would be an increase in fees for next year. MR asked if our interclub fees are similar/at par with those asked by the Pacers. As costs have been going up, it is likely that our fees will be increasing this year. A discussion followed about the possibility of creating an "Interclub Long Track" category for our online registration. JH mentions to the executive that there are some changes coming in the OSSA fees for next year – he suggests to wait until the June meeting to decide what our fee schedule will be for the 2015-16 season. The executive agrees with this.<br>C. <u>Coaching - update</u> : MR asks if he can have the list of returning members for next season in order to start planning the groups – JM will provide him with this list as she has it. MR also asked about getting more storage space for the training equipment. JH will ask the appropriate contact at Bob MacQuarrie Complex. MR also asked about the pads we use during the skating sessions – JH says that there was a discussion in the past about getting new mat covers for \$1100 (12 mini-mats need to be prepared). The issue of the mini-mats was discussed and the executive agrees to look at possibilities in the future. At higher levels, this increases to a triple layer. This will be addressed at a later date as more changes to the standards are expected from SSC. MR gave an overview of the Mont Ste. Marie camp, planned for July 23-26/2015. This camp targets skaters that are ready in terms of age, maturity and athletic ability. There was a short discussion about possible coaches that would attend. The proposed price per skater would be \$230; it is the opinion of the board that we could ask for \$250 given the increase in price of food, gas, etc. MR will change the invitation to reflect this change. MR also reported that the Masters have been collecting payment for the dry-land training amongst themselves, to then bring it to | MR<br><br>JM<br>JH<br><br>MR |



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|                 | <p>JM; he wants to ensure this is acceptable to the executive. The board agrees with this practice, as they want to support the Masters from our club. Lastly, Access Media Inc. made a video about Kevin Frost – MR is asking if it is okay to have a link uploaded on our website. In addition, there was apparently another video made about Vincent de Haître. The executive agrees that these links should be available on our website. MT will post them once he receives the links via email from MR.</p> <p>D. <u>Equipment - update</u>: A Trillium grants proposal needs to be prepared either for July or November 2015. Given that standards for the mats may change as per SSC, it may be better to wait for the latter deadline in order to ascertain when/if the mats standards would/may change (after SSC AGM, planned in June 2015). The executive agrees to postpone the grant proposal until November. JH reports that a skater from a few years back has boots to sell – they are asking \$400 for both. The executive decided to offer @\$300 given that this skater used ice time worth about \$100. JH also received an offer to buy 10 pairs of skates/boots for \$269.99 – it was suggested to contact the Pacers to see if they would be interested in sharing the purchase of 10 pairs, as we do not need that number of new skates. JH will contact them. Finally, JH would like to organize an evening or a morning where the new boots can be paired with the appropriate blades – more to follow.</p> <p>E. <u>Website</u>: Nothing to report.</p> <p>F. <u>Fundraising / Marketing/ Advertising</u>: Short discussion on how to raise awareness before the end of the summer – suggestions of door-to-door, flyers, shopping mall table. This should be discussed at the June meeting.</p> <p>G. <u>Policies</u>: Deferred.</p> | <p>MT</p> <p>JH</p> <p>JH</p> |
| <p><b>5</b></p> | <p><b><u>New Business</u></b></p> <p>A. <u>OSSA AGM – May 23/2015</u>: This weekend – JM, JG, JH, and NM will be in attendance. MR would like OSSA to better recognize Ontario athletes such as Ivanie Blondin, Vincent de Haître, and Isabelle Weidemann, who were successful this year at the World Cup level. The board feels that it would be OSSA’s responsibility to recognize our provincial athletes at the national/international level.</p> <p>B. <u>Sue Ellis Masters Camp – July 2015</u>: LR reports that the Pacers want to organize a Masters Camp during the long weekend in August. They are requesting the use of our mats and some equipment (pucks, etc.). The board agrees to support this camp – JH will be contacting Gail Bouchette to discuss the particulars.</p> <p>C. <u>New CHEO Concussion Clinic</u>: Deferred to next meeting.</p>   | <p>JH</p>                     |
| <p><b>6</b></p> | <p><b><u>Adjournment</u></b></p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 20h45. Motion by KM; seconded by DD.</p> <p>Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 17 June 2015 at 18h30 at Bob MacQuarrie Complex, Hall C.</p>  | <p>Motion carried</p>         |