

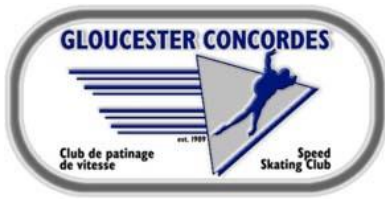
**MINUTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE MEETING
GLOUCESTER CONCORDES SPEEDSKATING CLUB**

**November 21, 2017, 18:45
Hall C, Bob MacQuarrie Complexe, Orléans**

Attendance: Neil Monkman (NM), Doug Durham (DD), Ad Adibi (AA)(arrived at 20h), Janique Gagnon (JG), Kathy Matthews (KM), Heidi Hickey (HH), Joanne Michaud (JM), Marc Besner (MB), Mike Rivet (MR), Dean Hoisak (DH), Jennifer Boyer (JB).

Regrets: Stu Jolliffe (SJ)

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION BY:
1	<u>Approval of Agenda</u> Meeting called to order by DD at 18h50. The agenda was approved as written. Proposed by MB, seconded by NM.	Motion carried
2	<u>Approval of the Minutes of Previous Executive Meetings</u> The minutes of the last meeting were approved with the date changed to October 24/17. Proposed by DH, seconded by JM.	Motion carried
3	<u>Correspondence</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Payment for coaching (HH) 2. Insurance for dry-land training (HH/NM/OSSA) 3. Out-of-province skater (JM) 4. Equipment coverage (JH) 5. Interclub (NM) 	
4	<u>Old Business</u> <p>A. <u>Business arising from last executive meeting:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o <u>Raffle tickets</u> – They were printed and they are attached in books of 15 tickets. NM is asking if a member has access to a cutter so that they can be distributed next week. DD does have access – he will have them cut. Draw date is January 17/18. o <u>Ladder Meet</u> – NM has heard back from the City and there are no dates that are available for us to hold a ladder meet later this year. MR asked if there were other rinks that could be used – NM will ask but suspects that most arenas probably do not have availability; he expressed concerns about moving the mats, etc. MR suggests that the club should include two one-day ice requests and regardless of what OSSA decides, we will have access to ice at our rink and thus, can organize a ladder meet if we are not awarded an official meet (provincial or regional). The board agrees with this suggestion. <p>B. <u>Financial!</u>: Draft budget #4 was sent by AA on Nov 20/17. Motion by AA to adopt the proposed and amended draft budget as sent on November 20/17 with a separate line for the Brewer Oval contribution (not to be included in the Ice rental for Bob MacQuarrie), seconded by JG. All in favour.</p> <p>C. <u>Registrar</u>: Out-of-province skater (addressed in correspondence)/ Registration – keep open? – The registration will now be permanently open / New registrations – 3 new individuals are interested in joining the club. JG also received an email from a former speed skater from Nova Scotia who would be interested in joining our club and possibly coach – she will forward to MR.</p>	<p>DD</p> <p>NM</p> <p>Motion carried</p> <p>JG/MR</p>



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	<p>D. <u>Coaching</u>: Go-To Parent – correspondence was sent to NM. HH would like the board to follow-up so that this is relayed to the parents. There was an instance where a skater on the Wednesday (5:30pm) needed to come off the ice but the parent was not available to attend to his/her child. A discussion took place to the fact the list was sent late. A document was given to the Group 3-4 skaters; they were instructed to reply to the coaches to indicate they had read it and accepted the rules. MR received about 5 answers back; the skaters did not respect what was asked. The coaching team feels that the skaters “do not care” about the instructions that are being given. A long-track meet will take place on Dec 16-17/17; MR had a discussion with the organizer as some distances were not conducive to our skaters to have seed times for LT meets. The deadline for registration is December 15/17. MR will forward information to JG so that it is sent via mass email to our skaters.</p> <p>E. <u>Equipment</u>: As Jean Hurtubise will get involved with the LT skating, we need to have someone in the equipment office to help. MR tells the board that the equipment manager needs to be available to complete repairs and maintenance of our club inventory. NM says that the required skills may not be easily available from one person; however, as MR says, these skills are often ‘learned’ over the years. This is a great responsibility – we need a dedicated equipment manager. DD suggests approaching someone in one of the groups of skaters to see if someone would be interested in learning and sharing the responsibilities. DH would be interested but can’t manage all the responsibilities.</p> <p>F. <u>Fundraising/Marketing/Advertising</u>: See “Raffle Tickets” under item A. MR brings up the issue of the peeling advertisements from our mats as it is a safety issue for our skaters. It was agreed by the board that some mats would be taken out of the arena to let them warm up and then the advertising will be easier to peel off. DD is enquiring if the board would be interested in advertising about our club and our alumni that are succeeding at the world stage.</p>	MR/JG
5	<p><u>New Business</u></p> <p>A. <u>Mass Emails/Newsletter/Communications</u>: JG reports that there have been issues with sending mass emails – it appears that members are still not receiving emails. JG will go thru the list once again and prepare a spreadsheet to verify emails that we have in our database. She states that parents must be responsible for updating their contact information in their account; the board agrees with this.</p> <p>B. <u>Social Events</u>: NTR.</p> <p>C. <u>Female athletes in all sports</u>: (www.fastandfemale.com/international/canada) The website was suggested by AA. DD will be following up with this website and see how we can possibly be involved to promote speed skating with girls.</p> <p>D. <u>Long track qualifying times for 2017-18 season</u>: MR suggests participating in the Lake Placid competitions rather than the Quebec LT competitions, as Lake Placid is closer for our skaters.</p>	JG DD
6	<p><u>Adjournment</u></p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 20h35. Motion by JM; seconded by JB.</p> <p>Next meeting will be scheduled on Tuesday December 19/17 @ 18h45.</p>	Motion carried