



Saturday Sept 26, 2009
Olympic Speed Skating Oval, Richmond, BC

BC Coast Region Board Members Present:

Sharon Dahl Grace Holmen Penny Nicholas Marg Warwick Wendy
Martin-Stroyan
Syd Hughes John White Kevin Gordon Tannis Marshall

BC Coast Region Club Representatives Present:

Maureen Knight – Kerrisdale	Margo Delorme – Kerrisdale
Kim Horobec – Coquitlam	Eileen Cervi – Riley Park FSC
Ethel Beckingham – PoCoFSC	Carmen Welch – Sunshine Coast
Joyce Hayne – Cloverdale	Brenda Ainscough – Langley
Jill Marie Jarvis – Sunshine Coast	Catt Popp – Sunshine Coast
Pam Thompson - Whistler	Jenny Milne – Lower Mainland Synchronized SC
Cori Rexworthy – Lower Mainland SSC	Lynore McLean – Riley Park
Jo Howarth – Kitsilano FSC	Lyne Rainville - Sungod Skating club
Jeffrey Wang – Burnaby FSC	Wayne Carleton – Delta Skating Club
Tonja Borrows – Abbotsford SC	Elaine Chong – Vancouver SC
Patti Graham – Aldergrove SC	Julie Garland – Aldergrove SC
Angela Soquila – Maple Ridge SC	Marg Ducharme – Maple Ridge SC
Sona Ryan – Po Co FSC	Yvonne Pavlovic – Jukic – Burnaby FSC

BC Coast Region Coaches Present:

Tannis Marshall Regan Geiger-Taylor
Lesleigh Farr

Welcome – Sharon Dahl

Sharon called the meeting to order at 13:20, welcoming everyone to this terrific facility.

Correspondence – Sharon Dahl

Everyone should note that there is a current club mail package out, be sure to review it when it arrives at your club.

Financial Statements – Grace Holmen

Grace reviewed the financial statements. This included income / expense and actual to Sept 14 and balance to budget listing.

Calendars – Grace has invoices for clubs that had ordered, we have 450 calendars to be sold/ picked up

Moved by Grace Holmen, Seconded by Jill Marie to accept the financial report as presented. **Carried.**

Committee Reports – *Various*

Judges Bureau – *Sharon Dahl for Penny Nicholas*

We had a very successful session this morning, nearly all clubs/ test chairs were present this morning. Please watch the Region website for technical and region board answers to the questions posed.

ACTION - for Web site

Note to everyone that you can always email the region: skatebccr@live.ca if you have questions, general questions, planned program sheets etc. can all be sent there.

Judges Training – *Sharon Dahl*

There will be a primary clinic at Summerskate, a Novice at VDI. There will be posters soon and we will email them to clubs to print and post as a recruitment aid – please help us with this!

Data Specialists – *Sharon Dahl*

There is a new DS in our Region. If anyone else is interested in learning this important role/ skill, there will be an introductory clinic offered at Winterskate or Spring Fling. The clinic involves instruction in a competition setting. Indicate your interest to Sharon directly

Regional Development Team (RDT) & Skaters Development – *Patricia (Trish) Flannery*

Trish was unable to be with us today but our Coaches Representative (Tannis Marshall) and RDT coordinating Coach (Regan Geiger-Taylor) presented the following:

- Updated Package will be on the Region Website shortly
- Regan presented an outline of “What” the RDT program is all about
- Open to Pre-Preliminary level and up (\$25.00)
- Benefits:
 - o Singles Seminar (\$25.00 discount on registration)
 - o Talent identification and tracking
 - o RDT - ID tag
 - o Team building event(s)
 - o Chance to be considered for camps at other levels ie: Rising stars
- RDT Easter Weekend Kelowna Camp was reviewed, this is the 10th anniversary of the camp so there will be a birthday party theme, this is a chance to team together by ability.
- Last year we had 91 skaters from 15 clubs – we would love more representation from more of our clubs, we would like to encourage all clubs in the region to promote and participate.
- Asked for assistance with locating ice for seminars (Sunshine Coast volunteered)
 - o **ACTION: Trish**

Grass Roots Seminar – *Marg Warwick*

Took place September 12th at Fleetwood Arena (Surrey) Was a huge success It was a multi-discipline seminar and the kids loved doing pairs, it ended with synchro. We are exploring doing another later in the year. Involved elementary and pre-pre skaters (open to every club) the objective is to expose skaters to all disciplines.

Team Leader – *Lori Oxland*

Unfortunately Lori was ill so Sharon passed on the following reminders:

- remember to reserve your rooms for Sections
- registration cut off was Wednesday so what your email for information in the next week or so.
- Remember that to contact Lori her email is on the Region Website.

Competitions – *Sharon Dahl*

Formerly our competition bids were due at the end of March/ beginning of April, we are looking at changing the time of year that we seek bids.

For Synchro competitions this year, Winterskate does not have synchro so we have no synchro events locally this year. As a result we will table a bid for the BC/YT Open Synchro Championships at our November 24th general meeting. Please note that Winterskate & Spring Fling will be out soon and all registrations are on line this year. If you are mailing any funds/cheques, you need to ensure it will be received within 7 days of closing or you will not be registered.

Technical Advisor – *Syd Hughes*

BC sent 8 people to technical specialist training in Ottawa in July. Most have completed their phase 2, the synchro phase 2 will happen in January. Registraton for Coasts & Jingle Blades will close soon. We received our first registration for Jingle Blades on Sept 10th !

Synchro news – there will be a Synchro Monitoring at the Pacific Ice Gala on Dec 12th and a Novice Judges clinic November 7 or 8 this info will be in the mail to all clubs and judges this week.

BC Coast Region Coaches Committee – *Tannis Marshall*

There was a coach/Judge update clinic on September 20th. There were 41 coaches in attendance.

Tannis may be contacted at : skatemarshalls@shaw.ca

Please remind your coaching staff that coaches regional registration (\$20.00) is now due payable to the BCCR Coaches committee. These funds are used to finance coaching activities and mailings as well as the collection of these funds assists in updating our active coaches lists as the national lists come so late in the season. We

discovered many inactive coaches this past year – please ensure you ask for a copy of their registration form with the national office. If they aren't registered with Skate Canada, they won't be covered by insurance.

This year all coaches must pass the “MED” test. This is the Making Ethical Decisions test and is done on-line as part of the registration process.

Club Governance – *John White*

There will be an email coming regarding delinquent clubs, John will get that out ASAP. There will be a workshop organized for those clubs that need updating (for their constitutions).

Calendars – *Grace Holmen*

Order forms are available and there are calendars here today for you to pick up. Calendars are \$9.00 each

Moved by Jill Marie Jarvis, Seconded by Ethel Beckingham to accept the Committee reports as presented. **Carried.**

A brief break took place at this point...

Competitions – *Local Organizing Committee Reports...*

BC Coast Regionals – Cheam Skating Club

All registrations are on line this year via the Karelo system. BC Coast Regional Championships are taking place in Chilliwack at Prospera Centre hosted by the Cheam Skating club. Entries are down possibly due to the late start of the skating season. The competition may only be Sat & Sun there are 387 registrations...watch the web site for further info. The great news is that our Senior competitors will be skating at Regionals this year so you will get the chance to see these top skaters.

Jingle Blades – WRSS Skating Club

registration is still open (167 so far) and will be capped at 550 entries so get your entry done as soon as possible.

Winterskate – Maple Ridge Skating Club

All is good ! Sharon will attend the next LOC meeting and review duties/ check list.

BC Winter Games – Terrace/ Kitimat

We are seeking zone coaches, send Trish an email if you have an interested coach. Skaters that wish to be considered for the games must be skating at Sections.

Spring Fling – Aldergrove Skating club

Ice is booked, in the planning stages

Victoria Day Interclub – BC Coast Region Board of Directors

Ice is booked, there are bleachers now.

Moved by Jill Marie Jarvis, Seconded by Lynn Rainville (Sungod) to accept the LOC Hosting report/updates as presented. Carried.

New Business

Form 100's – Brenda Kawasaki

Please remember that these are due. You can send by email in word or PDF or fax or snailmail.

2010 – 2011 Competition Bids - Sharon Dahl

Usually we deal with these bids at our AGM but this has proved challenging for our clubs to guarantee their ice. As a result we will ask for bids earlier. The documents should be on the website next week. Discuss with your club and return to Syd by November 22nd. Then we will vote at our November 24th general meeting (this will add 5 months to the planning process for our LOC's)

Club Websites – Sharon Dahl

Please consider getting a club website up and running if you have not yet done so. If you have, please try to keep it up to date. As part of that process we are asking and encouraging you to attach the BMO logo and link to: BMOskating.com We need to show our support and get the logo visible. This will also be given to Karl from Pixelgems that does a majority of the websites. We/he will send you the logo, linkage, graphic of BMO the bear, you get the link to contests and fun trips, tickets to worlds etc. right now. Kevin will help keep this up to date, if you have questions about how to link or how to get your website started, Kevin is the person to contact, he will help you through the process.

Gaming Grants/ Issues – Syd Hughes

Everyone that had 3 year contracts got their money it seems. Syd is going to a meeting to ask for information, however last year they distributed greater than 500,000 and this year are expected to distribute less than 200,000. One club in our section was reduced from 100,000 to \$25,000. and the Section has gone from \$50,000 to \$15,000.

Information about your club would be very helpful in this fight so please share your details/story/ results of grant applications directly to Syd. Syd will distribute an info package post event. Also Sport BC has a blog on this right now. They are looking at doing a workshop on writing grants at the Section level as well.

Equipment Insurance – Sharon Dahl

BFL Insurance (the National carrier) sent a letter with a copy of form for additional coverage (equipment/board/ theft etc). Proof of insurance certificate form in mailing this week. Fill it out and fax it in please if your facility needs proof of your Skate Canada Insurance.

Additional coverage policy for legal advice and dishonesty (Treasurer) as an example we encourage you to buy the policy as a just in case

Harness checking person – template Skate Canada / BFL – research coming from Harness manufacturers for engineers. The Engineers would like a template to follow for inspections the insurance folks haven't got one....it's a stalemate

Open Questions from the Floor -

Bring a friend day question for the promotion of CanSkate

- suggestion that there be a blanket PSA to share universally in BC/YT

Request for a Club to host November 24th Region meeting – Kerrisdale volunteered

Motion to Adjourn – Jill Marie Jarvis

Minutes prepared by
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