Georgia Figure Skating Club Minutes
1/14/12
Approved 3/24/12

Attending:

Vivian Heeden - President
Annette Florence - Treasurer
Julie Pierce - Secretary
Ginger Whatley - Test Chair
Rob Lichtefeld, Membership Chair
Jodi Morgan - Vice President, Town Center
Sarah Castellano - Member at Large
Karn Bickford - Member at Large
Elizabeth Isaacs - Member at Large

Approval of Minutes
A motion to approve minutes of the last meeting on November 12, 2011 was made by Rob, second by Jodi.

Treasurer’s Report
The Treasurer’s Report was submitted by email.

Rink Reports:
Duluth:

Holiday activities went well, including caroling and the Holiday show at the rink. Club ice has been running 15-20 skaters. The bulletin board needs updating. Vivian will talk to Janet Kloor for assistance on updating the bulletin board. Rob Lichtefeld and Sarah Panzer are featured in the current issue of Skating Magazine.

Town Center:

Club Ice has been running 20-25 skaters. The Christmas show and party was a success.

Membership:

Rob has sent updated lists to the Board. There are 321 members with 129 skating members now.

Newsletter

A small January issue has been posted to the website, covering Holiday activities. A general discussion was held about who should be the next featured skater.

Julie is resigning as Newsletter Editor at the end of the current skating year. Carn Bickford will assist Julie over the next few months.

Testing:

The following test sessions have been scheduled:
March 18 - Duluth
April 14 - Town Center
June 5 - Duluth
August 4 - Town Center
August 5 - Duluth

Rob will update the website to reflect these test sessions.

Other Business:

Peach: Rob will talk to Al about ice time for Labor Day Weekend.

Disney on Ice: DOI is coming to the Gwinnett Arena 3/28 to 4/1. Elizabeth Isaacs will look into a group discount for tickets. A general
discussion was held about both rinks attending and going out to dinner together.

Regionals patches: Julie will order patches from Monogram Mama. Patches are 5.00 each. A motion to order patches was made by Sarah, seconded by Carn, and unanimously passed.

Scholarships: College scholarship forms were send to Jessica Fuchs for a trial application to test the form. Once we know the form is in order, it will be published. The goal is to be able to award the scholarships at the banquet.

Ice Award: Ginger has received 5 applications for the awards, but has not opened them yet. Ginger is working on an independent judging panel. Suggestions for this panel include Terri Herron, Lori Farris, and Ben Loggins, Greg Corbitt. Ginger will contact them to see if they can participate in the judging process.

Jackets: Prices for Club jackets have increased. A general discussion was held about pricing for the jackets. A motion to increase jacket prices to cover our increased costs, and add language assigning responsibility for ordering correctly to the skater was made by Sarah, and seconded by Annette. The motion passed unanimously. Rob will update the jacket order form. The price change is effective immediately.

A table for ordering jackets will be set up at the banquet. Jodi will talk to Kristel about getting the sample sized jackets.

Orders will be taken in February, July and November. Orders outside these time frames may be made at full price.

Banquet:
Testing certificates: A discussion about how to handle the length of time to award testing certificates. It is everyone’s desire to keep the presentation of certificates brief, interesting and fun for the skaters.

Annette will set up Evite for the banquet.
Rob will get a blank receipt book and leave it in the Club box at the Duluth rink for Elizabeth. Elizabeth will sell advance tickets at club ice. Carn will sell the tickets at Town Center.
The suggested ticket price is $8 in advance, $10 at the door. Vivian will talk to the restaurant about pricing for children 5 and under.
Ticket sales should start next week, and Elizabeth and Vivian will create an email and forward to Rob who will send the email.
Ginger will create a flyer to post at the rinks with banquet information.

Year End Awards:
Official award nominations must be back to the club by 2/1 to have time to order trophies. Elizabeth will offer ballots while she is selling tickets to the banquet.
A general discussion was held about how to encourage more votes for the awards.
There is a lengthy list of candidates for Rookie of the Year. Rob will post to the website and forward via email.
Kristel is willing to order the awards this year.
There is need to reconvene after 2/1/12 to discuss award recipients.

Collegiate bid: Last year there were 52 skaters. The largest expense will be IJS and hospitality. Ginger suggested involving Terri in contract negotiations. A general discussion was held about having the event at the Gwinnett Arena with practice ice at Duluth. Ginger will ask Terri to look into this.

Ginger motioned we put together a bid package for Collegiate and ask Terri Herron to assist with negotiations for Showcase Nationals, and Sectionals. The motion was seconded by Carn, and passed unanimously. Vivian will explore filling out the bid package, and ask Terri to assist.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Pierce