Georgia Figure Skating Club
Board of Directors Meeting

Saturday, September 24, 2016
IceForum at Town Center, Party Room
Approved October 22, 2016

Attending:
Andrea Rafanelli, President
Sinead Cochran, Vice President – Town Center
Bobby Loebl, Vice President - Duluth
Annette Florence, Treasurer/Membership Chair
Rob Lichtefeld
Suzanne Najbrt
Pat Shields

Not Attending:
Susie Boustead, Secretary
Ginger Whatley, Test Chair
Maria Piera Santoro

Minutes:
Susie submitted the August minutes via email on August 15.
Annette made a motion to approve the minutes. Sinead seconded the motion. The vote to approve was unanimous.

Treasurer’s Report
Annette submitted the full report via email. The finances look strong for this time of year. She is still waiting on a few expenses and vendor checks from the Peach competition.

Rink Report—Duluth:
• Bobby reported that the Peach competition went well at the rink.
• There is currently some issues with the ice condition. Some parts were on order for the resurfacer. They are supposed to be in now.
• Exhibition for Regionals only had 4 skaters sign up. 2 dropped out before the night. And, while the 2 remaining were warming up, 1 skater dropped out. So, only 1 skater did an exhibition.
• Theatre on Ice is back practicing again. Currently 15 on the Junior team, and 7 on the Preliminary team.

Rink Report—Town Center
• Annette reported that the Club Ice invoices are now working well again.
• Sinead reported that the Club Ice is getting busy again.
• A photo was taken during Club Ice last week. It will be posted in the bulletin board. She will get a jpg for the website.
• There were 17 skaters on the Regionals exhibitions session.
They had a new parent meeting before the Peach. Currently, no complaints in general.

Parents bought t-shirts for the Regional skaters with the club logo on front, and names of Town Center skaters on the back.

Membership:
Annette reported that we are now up to 375 USFS members.

Testing:
- Ginger emailed that there will be limited time for the November test date, so it will be First Come - First Serve.
- Bobby reported that there may be up to 40 dance tests on the November test session. Megan is flying in a male skater from Massachusetts to take her skaters through the tests.

Newsletter:
Annette needs photos and other content. She has been pulling results, but has very little photos to go with the results.

Peach Open and Peach Classic competition:
- Annette reported that she has lots of leftover Peach blankets, that we used for officials gifts. We will sell them for $20.00
- She also indicated that we needed to make sure that Awards volunteers mark off when they give out medals.
- Hospitality was discussed. There were times when the coaches food was empty. We may need one or two volunteers to help with notifying the Breakaway when food runs low. In years before the Breakaway had assigned a server to help with this. But, this year they did not. Most felt that the food from the grille was good.
- Sinead thought that Registration ran much better this year, with her having everything organized by Thursday night.
- Bobby discussed what we can do about pronouncing names. We will have piece of paper at Registration where skaters can fill out how to pronounce their names, and these pieces of paper will be put in with the CDs.
- Having videos included seemed to be a good thing. ProEvent did a good job with them and the photos. They seemed nice to work with. We just need to do a better job of letting the skaters know they need to pick up their videos.
- Announcing and Music seemed to do pretty well this year. Rob discussed that Entryeeze can handle music uploads, but we would need laptops at each rink to play back. However, having Aren’s CD players hooked up with y-cables seemed to work well.
- Annette and Rob should have some P&L total numbers soon.
- Bobby discussed changing the dates to be the weekend before Labor Day weekend. He said that the rink had nothing going on that weekend. He will talk with the
Duluth rink to see the possibility of moving the date. This may affect the number of adult skaters. But, hopefully it should bring in more skaters who go out of town for Labor Day weekend.

**SafeSport:**
Annette is currently our SafeSport coordinator, but the club needs at least 2 more to go through the online training.

**Upcoming Meeting Dates for 2016-17:**
- October 22 – Duluth rink
- November 12 – Town Center rink
- January 7 – Duluth rink
- February 11 – Hudson Grille - before Banquet
- March 18 – Town Center
- May 13 – Duluth
- June 3 – Town Center

Respectfully submitted,
Rob Lichtefeld
September 24, 2016