

ALASKA SPEED SKATING CLUB BOARD MEETING

Sunday, March 24, 2019

BOARD - Chuck H, Chuck G, Game, Jody, Linda
AKSSC MEMBERS - John

CALL TO ORDER: 4 PM

MINUTES:

Chuck G moved to approve, Game seconded. Passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Nancy is resigning her post of Treasurer due to ongoing illness. Board President, Chuck H will continue as treasurer in the interim. He reported a current balance of \$16,258.85. One year ago, April 2017, the club had a balance of \$13,169.55. Chuck H will pay Ice fees for February and March which still need to come out of current balance. Total fundraising for this season was \$2100. We received \$1400 from the Fireweed and \$750 from Mayors—the Fireweed payment was less than prior years. Board discussed financial situation. John suggested Treasurer provide a financial report for each board meeting. Chuck said that a budget should be prepared at the beginning of our next year, and that we haven't had a budget for a number of years. The budget would project expenses and revenues for the year.

NORTH AMERICAN VIRTUAL MASTERS RACES

This virtual race was organized by the Buffalo SS Club. Chuck H had nothing to report since no one signed up.

FUR RONDY FASTEST SKATER

Chuck H reported we had 6 speed skating kids show up and 7 hockey skaters. Trophies were awarded. Hockey skaters won all races except club member Quetzal who took the girl's category. Board discussed ways of building our program, encouraging fitness and technique.

MARCH 26, END OF SEASON YOUTH RACES

Chuck H has provided trophies for our racers 13 and under. Looking for volunteers to assist on this last skate of the season, Tuesday night, March 26.

SHORT TRACK ADN AD

Chuck G reported the paper advertisement for AKSSC ended March 25.

HOMER REPORT

John reported that the Homer Speed Skating youth team's vehicle broke down on the drive to Anchorage to race with our club March 9, and they had to return to Homer. The board would like to pursue this positive connection with Homer youth SS program.

ARCTIC WINTER GAMES, MARCH 15-21, 2020 IN WHITEHORSE

Peter hosted a promotional meeting at the BP Energy Center on Thursday, March 21. John presented the steps on how to actually participate in the games. He mentioned the average cost per kid expected by Team Alaska is \$1500. Several requirements include cut-proof suit, AK Speed skating suit, in addition to other usual safety gear. A few of our youth were at the meeting with parents. Questions arose that the board discussed concerning how or if we should financially support our skaters.

SUMMER DRYLAND

John is thinking to provide some kind of summer program, however he wants to be certain the club can provide liability insurance. Chuck G will look into this and report back before John can make any decision. Several scenarios of dry land training and ice time were discussed by the board. The plan is for John to be paid for providing this training. The training might be sponsored either by AKSSC or Anchorage Skate Club—John will review these options.

SUMMER ICE

Chuck H reported that Ice time this summer is \$150 an hour on Saturday and Sunday mornings. Dates could run June 8 to August 10, or June 15 to August 17. Possibilities for a summer youth camp on ice was discussed for August 16-18. Chuck H will email club about summer ice to see if there is interest and provide a sign up sheet at Tuesday night's skate.

END OF YEAR ANNUAL MEETING/PARTY

This is a general membership meeting. Board decided on Sunday, April 14. Membership needs to receive notification two weeks prior. Chuck G offered to host at his home. Chuck G also offered to find out what Board positions are up for consideration and will look into nominations for board positions.

NEW BUSINESS

Chuck G asked about stolen pad reimbursement from insurance. John will look into this. Board discussed the need for team jackets. Chuck G and Jody will continue to look into this.

5:41 MOTION TO ADJOURN by Chuck H, seconded by Chuck G. All agreed!