

Twin City Figure Skating Association

January 13, 2003

Member Club Delegates Attending

Braemar:	Cheryl Craig, Linda Kieffer
Brooklyn Park:	Mike Itzin
Burnsville:	Pat Bast
Chaska:	
Eden Prairie:	Maggie Asby
FSC of Bloomington:	Tracy Alpern
FSC of Minneapolis:	Kathleen Donahue
Lake Minnetonka:	Terry Drewski
Mankato:	
Maplewood:	Paula Connell
Northern Blades:	Denice Sayre
Rochester:	Jo Corbin
Roseville:	Cathy Taylor-Sharp
St. Cloud:	Deb Danell, Marilyn Possin
St. Paul:	Carolyn Marker, Lori Rothmund
Starlight IDC:	Caroline Gilbert
The Heights:	Joan Pennington
Tri-County:	Mille Leone
Woodbury:	

Members At Large Attending

Heather Burns, Carol Ford, Georgeann Hall, Elizabeth Harty, Kathy Lambert, Marlys Larson, Marguerite Pakkala, Don Proctor, Arnie Schmidt, Vivien Young

Topic	Discussion	Action
Call to Order Larson	President Marlys Larson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.	
Quorum Larson	After Completion of the Roll Call, the President declared a forum.	
Secretary's Report Harty	<p>Roster corrections: New St. Cloud President: Gloriana Prow</p> <p>Correction: A St. Paul Winter Carnival button will not get the bearer a free admission to the Celebration of Champions, only a discounted cost.</p>	<p>Gloriana Prow 1400 4 ½ Ave N Sauk Rapids, MN 56379 Email glorianaprow@yahoo.com</p>
Treasurer's Report Burns	<p>Money has been transferred from Wachovia to cover the Synergy commitment and the audit.</p> <p>Test fees: Clubs are reminded that TCFSA test fees are required after each test session and should be sent to Heather Burns, TCFSA Treasurer</p> <p>Stipend requests: These requests need to be received from the club presidents soon after the respective events, not one request in January. This is needed to help with budgeting.</p>	
Open Forum	<p>Marlys shared a thank you from the Disbrow family for the gift in memory of Jimmy Disbrow.</p> <p>New Officials Appointment: Jody Sperduto & Bridgit Ryan are now Gold test judges. Cheryl Marker has received her Junior Singles & Pairs Competition appointment.</p> <p>Upper Great Lakes Championships 2004 will be October 12 to 18, 2003, at the Bloomington Ice Garden. The Figure Skating Club of Bloomington and Burnsville Minnesota Valley Figure Skating Association are hosting this event.</p> <p>Results from Junior Nationals – Rhianna Brammeier (SPFSC) Juvenile 2nd Place Final Michael Chau (SIDC) Juvenile – 7th Place in Qualifying Round A Alex Johnson (BCLFSC) Juvenile –</p>	

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	<p>12th Place Final Eliot Halverson (SPFSC) Juvenile – 3rd Place Final Paul Wood (RochesterFSC) Intermediate – 12th Place Final</p> <p>NHK Trophy – Ben Miller placed 10th overall.</p> <p>Braemar: One part of the Future Champion Series will be happening at the Braemar Competition in March.</p>	
Committee Reports		
Rink Link Kastner	Marlys talked with Steve Hartley about not mailing, but putting the rink link on the website, but since of the 1500 members only 600 have email addresses, and there is high percentage that may be bad.	Motion: TCFSA continue to mail the Rink Link via the US Mail Service – seconded and approved.
Central Testing Pakkala	<p>The November consolidated test session was poorly attended, yet during the month of December, local officials were swamped with test sessions.</p> <p>Test Chairs should look at their schedule and plan to utilize the consolidated test session during the times they are offered.</p> <p>Test Chairs: Please remember to provide information for judges when contacting them for test sessions including dates, location, contact information, etc.</p>	April 8, August 18 and November 4, 2003 will be the dates for the consolidated test sessions. Test Chairs, please take note and plan accordingly.
Dance Testing Lubratt	A dance test session was held last Friday with 39 starts and 18 passing. The Braemar competition will hold the next test session.	
Minnesota State Championships 2004	<p>NEW DATES: August 22, 23 & 24, 2003</p> <p>Elizabeth had done a comparison of skaters who compete in both the Minneapolis competition and Minnesota State, but the new dates are three full weeks after the Minneapolis</p>	Motion: to change the dates of Minnesota State to the weekend before Labor Day Weekend beginning this year. Motion passed

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	<p>competition. The reasoning behind the suggested change: The current date (first weekend following Labor Day) is usually the first week of school and parents expressed a concern with taking the skaters out of school during this time.</p>	<p>NEW DATES: August 22, 23 & 24, 2003</p>
<p>2005 & 2006 Minnesota State Bids</p>	<p>None yet submitted. Will accept bids in February since the issue of date change has been addressed. (above)</p>	
<p>Storage Committee</p>	<p>Storage: A key for the storage unit has been given to Elizabeth Harty because of her close proximity to the storage unit. If we can thin out the number of items in storage, we could use a smaller unit and save money (10' x 20' is \$149 each month for 11 months.)</p>	<p>Lori will do a new inventory in April and take photos of the costumes.</p>
<p>Finance Hall</p>	<p>Academic Scholarship for current skaters who have finished their second year of college 3 scholarships of \$800 each Erin Swanson of Chaska FSC attends Bethel, Nick Krongard of St Paul FSC attends Hamline University and Amber Sass of Braemar FSC attends the University of Minnesota.</p>	<p>Motion to award scholarships to these three skater/students; seconded and passed</p>

	Continuing Business	
Internet Schmidt	No report	
Synchronized Skating Schmidt	Governing Council will be in Norfolk, VA May 8-10, 2003. The clubs need to submit their delegates' names into the USFSA. TCFSA's April meeting will be dedicated to the issues to be discussed at GC.	
	Old Business	
Calendar Lambert	Updating twice a month on the website	
Celebration of Champions Ford	We are selling buttons because we are part of the Winter Carnival Posters for rinks will be distributed to the delegates. 18 of 23 skaters invited will be participating. Braemar will be acting as host for the event.	
Ice Shows Young	Vivian reported that they sold 77 tickets to Stars on Ice and had a profit of \$385. The show is January 29 th at the Target Center. The Champions on Ice show has been canceled.	
	New Business	
Test Chair Seminar Larson	A test chair seminar will be held in late March or April. Jody Spurduto and Lynda Lubratt will co-chair.	
Club Management Seminar	The USFSA has informed us that they are hoping to host a Club Management seminar the weekend of September 13/14 at a location in Bloomington to be determined. More information to follow. Charlie Maternus of the St. Cloud Figure Skating Club shared his experience at the CM seminar he and other club members attended this past fall. The seminar covers financial issues, fundraising, dealing with personalities, rink management/relationships.	

Nominating Committee	Maggie Asby (chair), Terry Drewski and Joan Pennington. Positions to be filled: Asst Sec/Treasurer – 1 year term Treasurer – 2 year term 1 st VP – 2 year 2 nd VP – 1 year term	When does the slate have to be presented? Presented in May and then voted upon in June.
Accountants School	An Accountant School has been approved by USFSA for sometime in June. Can TCFSa subsidize this?	

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Harty