



GMSA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 30, 2019 7:00pm

ATTENDEES: Katy Herman, Lisa Hambly, Jim Herman, Susan Sandvig-Shobe, Sheree Mehring, Dorothy Bialke

SUMMARY OF 2018-2019 SEASON

- Winter registration was up 37.5% (77 members vs. 56 in 2017-2018)
- Number of direct winter registrants (44) was higher than Midway membership (34)
- New program: Adult Fitness
- First year of Learn to Inline and Wednesday night racing with GMSA involvement
- Both General and Development financial accounts are in the black
- Two races were hosted: Am Cup/JRO and State (new track records were set)
- Held monthly Try Speed Skating sessions: 109 people registered + 24 on the contact me list
- Rink Safety Rules were updated and enforced
- Roseville Oval designated a Regional Training Center by USS

CLUB UPDATES

- Midway Board Changes:
 - Mary Bos, President
 - Deb Barber, Vice President
 - Jim Herman, Treasurer
 - Dave Hanson, Secretary
 - Tom Birkeland, Director
 - Cindy Johnson, Director
 - Sherri Pankow, Director
 - Tim Ronchak, Director
 - Paul Stangl, Director
- MedCity:
 - Interested in skating at the Oval next season
 - GMSA should contact them about summer inline
 - Susan will get contact information

FINANCIAL

- Current statements - year end
- General funds- membership covered ice fees for the season
- Development funds- purchased new skates; balance remains for future purchases and skate maintenance/repairs

OFFICIALS

- Need training courses for our local officials to maintain official status for USS
- Local officials need to demonstrate attendance at training courses
- Paul Stangl was awarded the George Howie Award at USS meeting

USS UPDATE

- USS Congress is June 6-8, 2019, Lisa, Susan, Paul, Katie, Nick, and Sheree are attending and representing MN
- Regional Training Center Update
 - Weight room progress
 - Built but needs to have the addition of the USS logo and the removal of the Midway logo
 - Next step- define who can use, how access will be gained, cleaning responsibility
 - GMSA should schedule a meeting with Nick to work on these steps
 - Expectations per USS outline
- Association Fees are due to USS. Requests for info have been sent to Midway/TCSS.
 - Motion by Sheree: GMSA to pay \$300 for 2019 Association Dues
 - Seconded by Susan and approved

- Youth Olympics
 - European heavy
 - Need to work with local skaters to help prepare them for this competition
 - Switzerland is the next hosting country
 - Susan will outreach to Mary Bos with the goal of working with Midway to get skaters thinking about and preparing for this competition
 - Our local AmCup will be considered the Youth Olympic trials for this year

EQUIPMENT

- 40 pairs/sets of inline skates, helmets, wrist/elbow/knee pads have arrived at the Oval
 - Need to determine where to store
 - Katy suggested working with the Oval to use the skate rental cage room
 - Need to inventory -- list and take photos
 - Katy and Sheree will coordinate this
- 40 pairs ice speed skates have been ordered and waiting for shipping costs from Cascade Speedskates
 - USS has sent a check for \$4000
 - GMSA will match the \$4000
 - Need to develop a plan for secure storage in the Zamboni room
 - Katy and Sheree will take the lead on this

DEVELOPMENT: Try and Recreation

[NEXT MEETING WILL OUTLINE WINTER 2019 LTSS STRUCTURE/JOB DESCRIPTIONS - structure mtg in June]

- Roseville Learn to Speed Skate (Katy)
 - Spring Learn to Speed Skate
 - 18 skaters
 - 2 are new to the sport
 - Split between two groups youth/adults
- Plymouth Learn to Speed Skate (Sheree)
 - 7 enrolled to date (5 LTSS/2 advanced)
 - 9 sessions - June 17 through Aug. 26
 - Lisa is head coach
 - Need to hire two assistants or more to rotate
 - Suggested Names: Adam Rosenthal, Lilian Brown, Alex Harvey, Brandon Sandburg, Alex Tolb
- Try Speed Skating (Dorothy/Sheree)
 - Summer sessions? Or hold until Fall?
- Inline: Summer Learn to Inline (Katy)
 - Starts next week

COMPETITIONS/CAMPS/EVENTS

- Per GMSA/Midway/Nick meeting: Request was to create a committee to host the races
 - [This has always been the goal to have a lead/meet director and a committee](#)
- Inline: Saturday racing in parking lot?
 - Nick and Andy to find out who this is
- Inline: Does GMSA want to host the John Rose Inline Open: Aug. 4th at Roseville Oval?
 - If we proceed, a meeting with Mike Cofrin will be scheduled ASAP.
 - Leads = Andy and Jeff
 - No cost for track rental
 - Andy/Jeff to determine races
 - Mike Cofrin from MN Run Series to promote and provide support
 - Will be considered an add-on to the MN Run Series but will have a separate fee/registration through GMSA.
 - No refunds if canceled due to weather
 - Do we need additional insurance to cover GMSA or will rink's coverage suffice?

TALENT COMBINE

- Two skaters were identified and have moved into the training program

NEW BUSINESS

- Roseville providing speed skating ice (see below)
 - Discussed the outline Nick presented to us and also the Oval
 - GMSA agreed that this is a good plan.
 - GMSA membership structure - was agreed that GMSA works for the benefit of the clubs, so clubs should help sustain GMSA's development efforts vs. individuals
 - GMSA Bylaws Update/Rebranding of GMSA to MN Speedskating - What is GMSA?
 - Schedule a meeting to develop a new Development Outreach plan

NEXT STEPS:

- GMSA, Nick and Kevin to sit down to discuss logistics.

Proposed Times:

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Open practice/ racing (as needed)	Open: 2:00-3:15 A Ice: 3:45-5:00 Open: 5:30-7:00 (Not every week)	Open: 2:00-3:15 A Ice: 3:45-5:00	Open: 2:00-3:15 A Ice: 3:45-5:00	Open: 2:00-3:15 Open: 7:15-8:30	Open: 2:00-3:15	Open or Racing: 9:00-12:00

A Ice: Must meet time standards.

Ice Costs:

Season Pass: \$600

Single Session: \$10 original proposal was \$12, then punch card 10 for \$100

NEW BUSINESS (cont.)

- Dorothy resigned her position on the GMSA board. However will continue to work with the Try program and Fitness skaters during the season. Sheree (with help from others) will resume secretary duties until new election.

NEXT MTG DATE: TBD, 6:30 pm, Fireside **OPEN MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:00 pm**
