

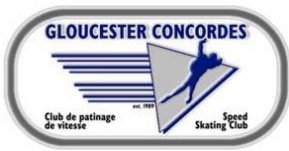
**MINUTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE MEETING
GLOUCESTER CONCORDES SPEEDSKATING CLUB**

**19 March 2014, 18:30
Centre Récréatif Bob MacQuarrie, Orléans**

Attendance: Laurel Rockwell (LR), Jean Hurtubise (JH), Doug Durham (DD), Stu Jolliffe (SJ), Dennis Vogt (DV), Michel Trottier (MT), Janique Gagnon (JG), Teresa McGarry (TM), Joanne Michaud (JM)

Absences: Josée Bertrand (JB), Kendra Engbers (KE), Dean Hoisak (DH), Lisa Kluge (LK)

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION BY:
1	<u>Approval of Agenda</u> LR called the meeting to order at 1850hrs. The agenda was approved with the addition of item J. AGM 2014 in Old Business. Motion by JH, seconded by MT.	Motion carried.
2	<u>Minutes of Previous Meeting</u> The Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as written. Motion by DD, seconded by JH.	Motion carried.
3	<u>Correspondence</u> LR communicated with the City of Ottawa to submit our request for ice for next year (both regular season and meets/championships) as well as with OSSA for the meets we are proposing to host – Second meet of the fall and Championship B and C. LR also discusses with the Pacers in order to ensure that there were no conflicts with the timing of the meets/championships.	
4	<u>Old Business</u> A. <u>Registrar</u> : We have 96 skaters this year – does not include out of province or interclubbing. JH received some correspondence from OSSA about our membership that needs to be updated in order for us to have the correct number of votes at the AGM. DV will confirm the numbers with OSSA. LR shares with the board that we need to continue to increase our number of skaters. The board needs to consider different strategies to bring kids to the sport – not as an alternate sport necessarily but as a complement [e.g. hockey.] She invites the board to consider some ideas before the end of the season – for the April or May meeting. B. <u>Financial</u> : The club is still in a healthy financial position. DD will meet with DV and Clare Gee in order to have our year-end documents prepared for the AGM. Fitness receipts have been prepared and DD will distribute in the next week. LR discussed with DD that a meeting with a Scotiabank representative can be organized to start the transfer of our banking to a new bank. C. <u>Coaching</u> : Unfortunately, Mike Rivet is not available this week to come to the meeting. D. <u>Equipment</u> : JH reports to the board that we were unable to secure the mats with Chelsea club. He also discusses the installation of the mats for the upcoming Masters' Meet, which will likely be in the morning of the first day of the meet. No news yet about the repairing of the mats – will be discussed at next meeting. The Trillium Grant Application deadline is approaching and we need to put the document together for the possible purchase of more mats. LR indicates that this is not urgent and can be requested at a later date. In regards of the purchase of blades, clap blades, and boots. JH got a quote from Gaven: 4 pairs clap blades and 13 pairs of short track blades would cost \$4k. LR mentions that we might also consider smaller pairs of boots. A discussion about the necessity of having new claps blades for next year followed. It was decided that JH would forget the clap blades for this year and investigate the purchase of smaller boots and blades.	DV DD, DV DD, DV, JH, LR JH



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	<p>E. <u>Fundraising/Marketing</u>: JB is not present for the meeting to update the board on this issue. DD discusses the possibility of putting a picture of one of our skaters for the Bob MacQuarrie catalogue [cover] for the 2015 fall. This would be a great marketing opportunity. We would advertise our speedskating classes schedule. The question was raised if this brochure only covers City of Ottawa programs – if so however, it might be possible to “buy” a page to market our club. JH suggests that DD investigates the price of “buying” a page for the next edition.</p> <p>F. <u>Website</u>: Code of conduct has been posted. JG still needs to send the minutes from the meetings so that they can be available to the membership. MT will be able to set up a Twitter account as well as a RSS feed for the membership, which will enable us to keep our members informed.</p> <p>G. <u>Policies</u>: Nothing to report.</p> <p>H. <u>Summer Camp</u>: Sue Ellis camp is confirmed for July 7-11, 2014 for advanced skaters only. JH asks MT to check the EllisEdge.com website to ensure the information for this camp is up. LR indicates to the board that Sue Chenard would be interested in organizing a camp with some help. This camp would be for all levels. We need to have some volunteers to help. Mike River will also offer a dry camp for LT and advanced skaters.</p> <p>I. <u>Hosting of races for 2014-15 season</u>: See correspondence.</p> <p>J. <u>AGMs</u>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o <u>OSSA AGM</u> – DV, JH, JM , Stephane Parent and LR are interested to go – will be held in Oshawa on 24 May 2014. o <u>GCSSC AGM</u> – The board is considering 04 May 2014 (Sunday). Last year’s format was good so we would have the same venue and buffet. Another consideration would be a pot-luck at the Legion. JH motions that we have our AGM at the Legion, DV seconds. JG will contact the Legion to see if it is available on the date chosen. 	<p>DD</p> <p>JG</p> <p>Motion carried.</p> <p>JG</p>
<p>5</p>	<p><u>New Business</u></p> <p>A. Nothing to report.</p>	
<p>6</p>	<p><u>Adjournment</u></p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 2040hrs. Motion by SJ, seconded by DV. Next meeting is scheduled for 16 April 2014 at 1830hrs.</p>	<p>Motion carried.</p>