



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

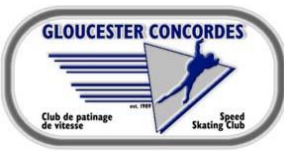
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Centre Récréatif Bob MacQuarrie, Orléans

Attendance: Laurel Rockwell (LR), Jean Hurtubise (JH), Stu Joliffe (SJ), Janique Gagnon (JG), Doug Durham (DD), Michel Trottier (MT), Neil Monkman (NM), Joanne Michaud (JM), Dean Hoisak (DH), Mike Rivet (MR)

Regrets: Teresa McGarry (TM), Bob Blondin (BB)

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION BY:
1	<u>Approval of Agenda</u> LR called the meeting to order at 18h55. Motion by JM; seconded by JH.	Motion carried
2	<u>Minutes of Previous Executive Meeting</u> The minutes of the last executive meeting were deferred for next meeting.	
3	<u>Correspondence</u> Nothing to report.	
4	<p><u>Old Business</u></p> <p>A. <u>Annual General Meeting – Sunday, April 19/2015</u>: JH reports that about 105 members, including kids, have registered so far. LR and JH will check in the equipment room if we need any additional plates and cutlery. JH needs coolers for drinks (DH, JM, MR will bring) – JH reports that we should have enough drinks (Lemonade, Juices, etc) left from our meets. LR will buy hot dogs and hamburgers. JG suggested that her husband, Paul Martin, would be able to BBQ with help. MR asked if all the recipients of awards would be present – JH confirmed they would all be there. JH will bring his work laptop and projector – to be used for our presentations. DH will bring roller-shade to be used as a screen. JH confirmed that Vincent de Haitre will be present; he is not sure if Ivania Blondin will be able to come yet – awaiting confirmation. JH informs the executive that Gaven had an autographed picture of the Hamelin brothers – he suggested that this be given through a draw. LR added that Sandra Chenard had some baskets left from the meet that can be raffled. The executive agrees with this idea. NM then suggested that one ticket be given to each present skater; additional tickets would be sold at the price of \$2 each or 3 tickets for \$5. LR asked who was going to be the election president – NM said he will find someone at the meeting. LR will prepare the PowerPoint presentation. LR suggested that we ask the Legion if they can donate the rental, as it had been done in the past. The executive agrees – LR will ask Sandra Chenard as she had dealt with this in the past. JM will buy tablecloths for the serving tables.</p> <p>B. <u>Financial – update</u>: DD will ask Clare Gee to prepare a final financial statement for the AGM. Copies will be made available for the membership. MR suggested that an electronic copy should be sent via email to the membership, which would save money for the club. The executive agrees with this idea. DD will email Clare Gee and ask for an updated financial statement by Friday so that it can be sent to the membership by the weekend.</p> <p>C. <u>Registrar - update</u>: JM reports that we will be losing a few skaters next years. On the other hand, she has received a lot of requests for registration next year.</p> <p>D. <u>Coaching - update</u>: MR reports that the coaches had a meeting two weeks ago. Coaches were happy with the skaters this year – lots of technical development has been done, which is important, as our coaching philosophy is 'skate well 'first, then' skate fast. Coaching development going well, especially with groups 3 and 4. MR reports that Tony Bean has accepted to cover when Long Track season starts next year. MR reported he is very happy with the coaches this year; they are dedicated. MR asks the executive to</p>	<p>LR/JH DH/JM/MR</p> <p>Paul Martin</p> <p>JH</p> <p>NM LR</p> <p>LR JM</p> <p>DD</p>



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	<p>continue to support our coaches and their development. New coaches should be invited as assistant-coaches. MR says the life cycle of coaches is now while their kids are skating. Coaches discussed about the expectations of parents – group placement, group movement (age, technical ability, etc.). This issue will be brought up at the AGM and discussed to the parents. Coaches also discussed having pre-registration to allow the coaches to prepare and shape the groupings early, thus helping the parents/skaters plan their activity schedules. Other clubs have started to do this. MR suggested that we could ask parents at this year’s AGM – have a sign-up sheet – since it appears that we will have a high turnout. JM will prepare sign-up sheets and parents will be asked at the AGM. The issue of manning the office/equipment came up during their meeting – MR asks that a process should be put in place to help the coaches provide answers/give forms. LR says that this will be discussed at a later date in preparation of the next season. The coaches requests as well that parents should be involved with the putting up and taking down mats from the ice. JM suggests that we have sign-up sheets/parents’ obligation/rotation done. MR asks if there is space at the complex to keep the coaches boxes/equipment on site – LR will ask. Coaches are asking if there are any funds available to additional coaching tools. MR says that dry land on Tuesdays (age appropriate – Group 3 and up) 18h30-20h00 on Green’s Creek Hill – hoping to start early May until end of August – cost \$100. NM suggests offering the option. Thursdays – 1800-1900 – at Tom Brown Arena (Wellington and Base Water) \$8/session. Will start June 4/15 until beginning August. No ice available at Sensplex East. This training session would not be to skate fast but to develop technique. All safety equipment will still be required. MR will offer dates for Mont Ste.Marie – not likely to be 7 days. Will be Thursday to Sunday twice – younger skaters and Masters. Dates TBD – Mike will let the executive know in the future. Finally, the issue of the Pin program was discussed - pin rewards will be ‘hidden’ in the regular practices next year. No pins this year. MR discussed mini-mats – requests to get some for the safety of the skaters as well as a guideline for SSC/OSSA. This will be brought up at the next meeting – funding will be discussed – possibly through a Trillium grant.</p> <p>E. <u>Equipment - update</u>: JH reports that approx. 6 families have to bring back their skates.</p> <p>F. <u>Website</u>: MT reports that GoalLine Registration for the Club is ready to go live. He demonstrated the functioning of the site to the executive. LR suggested that a few members of the executive meet with MT to finalize the questions that need to be added/deleted prior to official registration season.</p> <p>G. <u>Fundraising / Marketing/ Advertising</u>: A plan for next year as to be put in place. Next meeting will be dedicated to this purpose.</p> <p>H. <u>Policies</u>: Deferred to next meeting.</p>	<p>JM</p> <p>LR</p> <p>MR</p> <p>MT</p>
<p>5</p>	<p><u>New Business</u></p> <p>A. <u>OSSA AGM – May 23/2015</u>: LR asked who can attend the AGM this year – JH, JG, and JM are available and willing to go.</p> <p>B. <u>Level 2 Meet Recorder Clinic – May 24/2015</u>: JG would like to attend in order to get her Level 2 Meet Recorder and thus, facilitate the organization of future meets for the club. JM motions; NM seconds. Motion carried.</p>	<p>JH, JG, JM</p> <p>JG Motion carried</p>
<p>6</p>	<p><u>Adjournment</u></p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 21h40. Motion by NM; seconded by JH.</p> <p>Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 20 May 2015 at 1845hrs at Bob MacQuarrie Complex, Hall C.</p>	<p>Motion carried.</p>