




Red Deer Skating Club
Board Meeting Minutes

 Date: May 13, 2025

 Location: Zoom

 Time: 7:30 pm

 Chair: Ashley Brant

Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order- 7:33pm

In attendance- Ashley Brant, Andrea Phagoo, Ashling Kelly, Brandy Lucas, Darla Heil, Jess MacKay, Zulfiya Hubley, Sherri-Lynn Husch, Jessa Addison, Patti Somer

Amy Willing, Amanda MacKenzie, Jenn Boone, Lisa Hardy

2. Approval of Agenda- Addition of section members Jenn Boone and Lisa Hardy

Ashley requests to move section “B” of president’s report to the end in new business.

Darla Heil motions to adopt the agenda/ Amanda MacKenzie Seconds. All in favor, motion carried.

3. Approval of Previous Minutes- Brandy Lucas motions to adopt minutes/ Amanda MacKenzie seconds. All in favor motion carried.

4. Approval of Financial Report- Tabled until next meeting.

5. President’s Report (Ashley Brant)

- a. Opening message to welcome the new board and reflect on the upcoming season.
- b. I would like to invite board members to share ideas and suggestions for how we can begin to address the divide within our club. This is not intended to focus on blame

but rather to open a respectful and inclusive dialogue about initiatives we can take to move forward towards a healthier more united club culture.

-Section would be willing to help set up a board workshop to help facilitate some additional discussion. All agree that we want to make the best possible club for the skaters so any additional support would be welcomed. Keep continuing to work on communication and ideas to build the club culture.

6. Administrator's Report (Patti Somer)- See attached report

-Request approval for the fall registration to be approved. Ashling Kelly motions to approve/ Amanda MacKenzie seconds. All in favor, motion carried.

-Are we meeting in June, July, and August? Most are good for Tuesdays and prefer 8pm. Zoom works best for most. We will take June off and plan one meeting for July 8th at 8pm.

-We need to decide if we would like to allow guests at meetings. Some feel that as meetings are supposed to remain confidential and nothing discussed outside of meetings that it should be closed to board members only. It was pointed out that in our bylaws it states that all members may attend. Section stated that if it is in the bylaws it must be followed. They would be willing to help put procedures into place such as in camera portion at the end of the meeting. To change the by-laws you would have to call a special meeting of the membership to have them reapproved and changed. The board should discuss how we would like to move forward with this. Item tabled to a later date.

-Brandy Lucas makes a motion to remove Anya Knebel as signing authority on accounts, and replace her with Darla Heil/ Amanda MacKenzie seconds. All in favor, motion carried.

-Andrea Phagoo makes the motion to remove Anya Knebel from or revenue Canada account/ Amanda MacKenzie seconds. All in favor, motion carried.

- Ashling Kelly makes a motion to spend \$250 on yearend coaches gifts/Amanda MacKenzie seconds. All in favor, motion carried.

7. Committee Reports

a. Vice President Report (Darla Heil)

- Darla, Ashley and Patti are working on coaching contracts. Going well and should be rounded up in the next couple weeks.

b. Coach's Report (Jess MacKay)- No Report

c. Assessment Coordinator (Ashling Kelly)

-Evaluator assessment day May 28. Evaluator is confirmed. Due to the large list, only dances will be tested on this day. A 2nd evaluator has been arranged to come in and test the other tests on May 30.

d. Gaming Report (Brandy Lucas)

-Update on summer paid bingos. Do we feel the need for additional bingos? Pick up casually again or increase to 3/month? We have about 15 people wanting to work bingos. Summer bingos previously booked are already filled. Fall back to regular volunteer commitments.

-Brandy will reach out to the bingo hall to see if we can add an extra bingo/month to increase to 3 a month rather than 2.

- e. Special Events Report (Sherri-Lynn Husch)- No report
- f. Social Media Report (Jessa Addison)- No report
- g. Competition Report (Zulfiya Hubley)- No report
- h. Pre-Star Report (Amy Willing)- No report
- i. Secretary Report (Amanda MacKenzie)- No Report

8. Old Business

-Re-visiting the conversation of e-transfer. Ashling was in contact with Cindy from Innisfail. E-transfers are sent directly to the club email and she has access to check. Ashling does not want access to the club email or accounts. Another suggestion was to have skaters send the transfer to their coach and coaches can write a cheque or bring cash for their skaters. Let's discuss

-Decided for the time being keep doing what we have been. Coaches can bring this up at the next meeting how they would like to handle their skaters.

9. New Business

- Request was made to discuss the recent AGM/Awards Gala while it is still fresh in everyone's mind. If in the future there is a lot of nominations for board positions possibly separating the AGM from the gala might be an idea so that there is more focus put on celebrating skater achievements.

-Feed back*Everyone did feel the same way. It is felt that separating them would discourage people from attending the AGM. Idea presented to possibly have a separate room for the kids to go to during AGM portion and have something for them to do (craft or activity). Possibly some of the older kids would be willing to look after the little ones. We

don't have to decide anything today but re addressing it with a lot of advance would be advisable. Will table until September.

-Request was made to discuss a revision of change to music room policy. Current policy was implemented last month limiting music playing to one individual at a time in the music room. Changes have been noticed since this was put into place. Please discuss possible amendment of this policy.

-Section suggested putting signage up around music area.

-Ashley Brant makes the motion to amend the policy of only allowing one music player to instead limiting distractions and utilizing proper signage in the music playing area. Section is willing to help come up with signage. We can reassess if needed. Amanda MacKenzie seconds. All in favor, motion carried.

-Amanda MacKenzie would like to submit a request to the board to ask if it would be possible to have current bingo credits released to her account early to cover summer sessions.

-Ashling Kelly makes a motion to release bingo credits for Amanda up to the end of February/ Darla Heil seconds. All in favor, motion carried

-In addition to that personal request, would also like to open the discussion if moving forward if there is a possibility that bingo credits could be applied to accounts more frequently than once a year for club members

-Policy will be left the way it is currently due to logistics of changing the current policy. This makes a lot of extra work for the club administrator and is not a viable option to address at this time.

10. Action Items Recap

-Jenn offered to help with in camera board meeting procedures

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11. Next Meeting Date- July 8th 8pm

12. Adjournment-10:03pm