Figure Sport Committee meeting February 19, 2020 at 5:30 pm PST –

Attendees –
Doug Adams, David Adamy (left at 7:11pm), Joyann Barber (athlete), Tony Berger, Curt Craton, Ed Harney, Jaymee Meloy (athlete), Lawau Modrich (non-voting), Janet Pavilonis, John Peck (non-voting), Jodee Viola, Pat Jacques – USA Roller Sports Figure Advisor, Megan Schuller – USARS Advisor

Absent – N/A

Minutes:

Meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm PST.

1. Approval of Minutes from 12/11 Meeting
   Tony moved that we approve the last meeting’s minutes, Jodee seconded.
   7 ayes, 0 nayes, 1 abstention, motion passed.

2. Old Business
   a. Rulebook discussion. The rulebook committee has put together a document of rule changes to be published with the latest rule changes. The updates include the rule about no stopping in adult dance events at the completion of the dance.

3. New Business
   a. FSC Liaison to finance. Asked by President to have a finance member be a FSC Liaison.
      David made a motion to have Janet be a liaison to FSC from Finance committee, Tony seconded.
      7 ayes, 0 nayes, 1 abstention, motion passed.
   b. Entry form and procedure for Cup Series. President of USARS is asking about our procedures for selecting who can go to the Cup Series. We currently do not have more than 3 skaters applying to skate in any division. Directive to Megan and Pat to try to find out how to enter USA skaters for these events through World Skate so we can finalize procedures.
   c. National schedule. Ed will send out schedule as a confidential document for feedback. Committee to provide feedback by Friday so it can be published in the Friday blast.
   d. Workshops at Nationals ideas – World Skate topics, basics of coaching for each discipline, judging recruitment/training, Rollart calling examples (on skates or with video). FSC is asking sub-committees for suggestions and ideas for workshops. Directive to Ed to ask RollArt Technical, Academy Leaders, Officials, and Regional Reps Committees for ideas and suggestions for workshops.
   e. Regional Reps Meeting Minutes. In discussing Regional Reps Meeting Minutes (they are looking for guidance from FSC), it was brought up that all coaches don’t get the weekly blasts. FSC is asking Regional Reps to send information out to coaches for how to sign up for the weekly email blasts. Regional Reps are also being asked to gather feedback on the new dances (and requirements in general) introduced this season so we can have that feedback earlier in the season and can prepare for 2021. A potential suggestion of using a mathematical model to rank each dance’s difficulty was made. Curt agreed to have this completed by the first week of July.
   f. RollArt for 2020 and next steps for 2021. RollArt Technical Committee has sent items for us to vote on.
      i. Joyann made a motion that we add Rachel Dols to the RollArt Technical Committee, Jodee seconded.
         Motion passed by acclamation.
      ii. Tony made a motion that the RollArt Technical Committee move forward with experimental testing of the RollArt app at local competitions, Jodee seconded.
         Motion passed by acclamation.
      iii. Tony made a motion that we accept the proposal for qualified athletes to be Assistant Callers, Jodee seconded.
         Motion passed by acclamation.
      iv. Joyann made a motion that the RollArt Technical Committee hold a webinar on March 29 (on the platform they deem best, which can be recorded and posted to members only Facebook group) with Janet in attendance for rules questions, Jodee seconded.
Motion passed by acclamation.

v. These Officials do a lot for the sport and do a lot of it as volunteers. Joyann volunteered to write a thank you letter and congratulations on behalf of FSC for all the judges that passed to express our appreciation.

vi. FSC is going to asked Officials Committee and Finance if they would be willing to help pay at least the cost of the exams for US officials at World Skate Tests in the future.

g. Discussion about how to recruit additional judges/technical callers/referees/etc. Directive to Ed to reach out to regions and regional presidents to request assistance from the FSC to recruit for all levels of officials (meet directors, tabulators, judges, technical callers).

h. Rule questions:

i. Draw for WS and Domestic events.

Joyann made a motion that the draw for all World Skate freestyle and World Skate Junior/Senior dance events reverse the order of placement from the short program/style dance for the long program/free dance; and all other World Skate dance events reverse the order of placement from the compulsory dance for the free dance with skaters who do not skate the compulsories placed at the beginning for the free dance, Jodee seconded.

7 ayes, 1 naye, 0 abstentions, motion passed.

ii. Directive to Bob to determine if this is possible based on the programming.

i. Discussion about finances and possible methods of providing support for officials and Academy Leaders. Curt has volunteered to help Mykal with this. Janet informed the FSC how donations work through USA Roller Sports.

j. Jodee will send FSC a possible option to replace a song (option 3) in the Mini dance event.

4. Announcements

a. Next meeting is scheduled for March 11, 2020 5:30 PM PST.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11pm PST.

Submitted

Joyann Barber

Secretary