

Minutes
Rink Hockey Conference Call
Wednesday October 24, 2018
9:00pm EDT

On Call: Brent Benson, Don Allen, Tom Hughes, Rodrigo Leni, Jim Jost, Bryce Robinson, Scott Ferguson, Duane McMinn, Pat Ferguson

- 1. Treasurer's Report: Balance: \$ 9831.51**

- 2. Referee committee Report :** Duane may be holding some referee clinics in February, possibly April and at Nationals. Looking for help officiating at local tournaments. Anyone wishing to help out and be an official at a local tournament should contact Duane. This will also be announced at the Club Representative Committee call. We will keep a lookout for any shot clocks available on the internet. We are also trying to get a shot clock included in our scoreboard program. The addition of a shot clock will require another official at the score table at Nationals. It was also discussed about adding another compensated scorekeeper/statistician for Nationals.

- 3. Club Representative Committee Report:** On our first call, 10 Clubs were represented. A referee clinic was discussed for the future. Also people interested in a scorekeeper/statistician position at Nationals should contact Don Allen and he will e-mail you the program we are using for you to practice and get familiar with. The volunteers at the table receive \$5.00 per game and the referees receive \$15.00 per game. Irene will be able to evaluate you at Nationals. The scoreboard program is easy to use, but the statistician part of the program is quite involved. The 30 day amateur card rule was reinforced in the rule book. The committee reported call-in problems. Brent will check it out. The committee received a list of the changed or new rules implemented by World Skate from Duane. We will immediately use these rules for this season. Clubs are required to participate in 3 Sanctioned Tournaments to qualify for Nationals. These MUST be sanctioned by USARS and everyone involved MUST have an amateur card.

- 4. 2019 Nationals:** Right now, setup is on June 28 & 29, but we may get to set up earlier if we hold an International Tournament during our Nationals. We have had a U19

Team from Spain inquire about attending and also teams from India and Mexico. Our problem would be with the amount of games and our allotted time in the Venue. We are looking for volunteers to help with the setup and tear down of our walls, nets, lines and cleanup of the area. If you can help out, please let us know. We need all the help we can get. Brent will try to get an updated diagram of the facility for us to plan our layout.

5. **2018 Pan American Championships:** As of today, we have not received any confirmation on the venue or hotels. Brent will try to find information on this and get back to us. We will order 62 sets of uniforms for the 3 teams. They will ship to Don in 2 days. He will then have the logo screened on the front, sponsor's logos and the names of the players for the Men's and Ladies on the back above the numbers. Rodrigo doesn't want eh U19 names on the jerseys for security reasons. Gus Lizano is trying to get some sets of wheels donated to the teams.
6. **New Business: South East Rep, Ladies Rep** Our committee wasn't pleased with the choices of retaining Bryce Robinson and Tom, adding John Fearnow for the Southeast and Rebecca Guyer for the female representative made during the Committee on Committees conference call earlier this month. After much discussion, Brent said he would get the resumes of all applicants sent out tomorrow and arrange a conference call for Monday, October 29, so Tom can take our requests to the Board meeting. Tom sent the resumes he received to our committee. The applications developed for members of our Grassroots Committee and Fundraising/Sponsorships Committee is ready to send out and announce at the next Club Representative meeting. Our quarterly newsletter has been open and read over 100 times and an e-mail blast was sent out to over 100 addresses with a link to our face book page inviting them to subscribe and be able to keep up on our news and progress.
7. **Next Committee Meeting:** Wednesday, November 14, 2018 9pm EST