

**Figure Sport Committee meeting July 8, 2020 at 5:30 pm PST –**

Attendees –

Doug Adams, David Adamy (left at 7:36pm), Joyann Barber (athlete), Tony Berger, Curt Craton, Ed Harney, Jaymee Meloy (athlete), Lawaun Modrich (non-voting, voting in place of Jodee until 2b finished), Janet Pavilionis, Jodee Viola (arrived at 6:05pm), Pat Jacques – USA Roller Sports Figure Advisor, Megan Schuller – USARS Advisor

Absent – John Peck (non-voting), Brent Benson – Sports Advisor

Minutes:

**Meeting was called to order at 5:37 pm PST.**

1. Approval of Minutes from 6/10 Meeting

**David moved that we approve the last meeting's minutes, Doug seconded.  
8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention, motion passed.**

2. Old Business

a. Review of Roberts Rules

- i. **David made a motion that when discussing topics (related to a motion on the table), each person can speak twice on a subject – maximum time of 2 minutes each time, with the vice-chair monitoring who is speaking and how long; Lawaun seconded.**

Note: chairman can allow a person to speak again for clarification if needed.

**Motion passed by acclamation.**

- b. There was a motion on the floor during last meeting that did not properly follow protocol and was readdressed.

**Janet made a motion to add Jessica Gaudy and Susan Andaluz to Academy Leaders sub-committee (because they fulfilled WS requirement of attending Portugal conference, obtaining their level 1 certifications), Doug seconded.**

- i. Discussion related to a. Jessica's crossover between athlete and coach (could be a potential conflict of interest and could be a potential problem with the WS separations of these roles) and b. distinction between the level 1's and level 2's. This potential conflict should be relayed to Jessica.

**8 ayes, 1 nay, 0 abstentions, motion passed.**

*Email to be sent to Jessica and Susan: On behalf of the FSC, in recognition of your recent accomplishment of obtaining your level 1 WS certification in Portugal, we would like to invite you to join the Coaches Academy Leaders sub-committee. You are not obligated to join if you do not wish to but we feel you would be great addition to this committee if you are interested. Note to Jessica only: We wanted to inform you that there was concern expressed by some members of the FSC about a potential jeopardization of your skating by also participating in a coaches committee as well as a potential conflict of interest of acting as both an athlete and a coach.*

- c. Meeting Minutes from subcommittees (Regional Reps and Coaches Academy Leaders have been received, but a revised version from Academy Leaders is coming)

- i. **David made a motion to accept Regional Reps Committee meeting minutes, Lawaun seconded.  
8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention, motion passed.**

- d. David moved to suspend Roberts rules to hear a motion from the chair (out of order), Joyann seconded.

Motion passed by acclamation. Ed proposed that the FSC and its sub-committees reformat meeting minutes to include the discussion as normal and also add proposals to/from the FSC at the bottom of the meeting minutes.

- i. **David moved to accept this proposal to reformat meeting minutes (including proposals/directives to bottom of minutes), Tony seconded.**

**Motion passed by acclamation.**

3. New Business

- a. Mini committee updates
  - i. Covid-19 Mini Committee (sent by email from Doug)
    - 1. Reminder: Eric was looking for guidelines and recommendations, this document would be given to Eric, not necessarily published for the general public. The document prepared was guidelines and suggestions, not necessarily rules.
    - 2. With no motion made on this topic, the proposal was not advanced further. The committee feels that we need further clarification from Eric for what he is looking for.
    - 3. Curt will draft an email response for further information from Eric.
    - 4. Note from Megan later in the meeting: Hockey used the guidelines from Ice Hockey to send recommendations to Eric for this task.
  - ii. Requirements Survey Mini Committee
    - 1. **David moved that we table the survey until our August meeting, Curt seconded.**
      - a. Discussion about trying to get these survey results to Coaches Reps ASAP so they can discuss in 2 weeks prior to our next meeting.
    - Motion passed by acclamation.**
  - iii. Building Skating Mini Committee (positive results and attendance with FSC)
    - 1. Joyann noted this seminar series has been a great success with over 100 attendees, David thanked Janet for her help on the first seminar.
    - 2. **Joyann moved to ask Finance committee to reimburse Janet and Candice for 1 month of their zoom subscriptions, David seconded.**
      - 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention, motion passed.**
    - 3. Mini-committee is looking at the next level of taking skaters from classes to the competitive structure.
    - 4. **Lawaun moved that the mini-committee moves forward with another webinar series taking skaters from classes to competition or test structure, David seconded.**
      - Motion passed by acclamation.**
    - 5. **Joyann made a motion to add Janet to this mini-committee, Doug seconded.**
      - 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention, motion passed.**
  - iv. By-laws on International competition (Doug, Tony, Ed)
    - 1. Mini-committee is tasked to meet next Monday evening (8 pm Eastern).
    - 2. **David moved that the bylaws for international competition be tabled until August meeting, Joyann seconded.**
      - Motion passed by acclamation.**
- b. Finance Update (question on Exec committee now making Finance policy, such as education budget)
  - i. New policy from Board – all money raised from education gives 50% of the money back to committee and 50% to USARS General Fund (can be used by any sport).
    - 1. Discussion that this new policy is potentially not within the best interest of FSC and not in line with our ability to budget properly.
    - 2. FSC would like some clarification on this from USARS on what this means and how it could affect us in the future.
    - 3. Directive to the Chair to email Executive Committee about this policy for full clarification on the policy and how it relates to the budget and finances in the future.
- c. Seamstress extension into 2021 due to COVID-19
  - i. **David moved that we extend Danielle Storm's contract as seamstress into 2020-2021 season due to cancellation of 2020 skating season, Tony seconded.**
    - Motion passed by acclamation.**
- d. Coaches Certification proposal (from Academy Leaders)
  - i. Pat clarified that this document came from the Academy Leaders Committee (predominantly from discussions had in Portugal) and has been worked on by several members of that committee with Marie Gaudy submitting the typed up version we have seen.
  - ii. Mini-committee appointed to compile FSC questions for coaches certification to submit to Coaches Academy Leaders (Joyann, Jaymee, Lawaun & Ed)

- iii. Jaymee will be in charge of the google doc
- iv. Directive to all FSC members to respond to document by end of day, July 15.
- e. Academy Leaders submitted proposal to request USARS extend credentials for coaches, officials, and athletes for another year, due to COVID-19.
  - i. **Tony moved that we request an extension for the 2019-2020 membership of our officials, coaches, and skaters into the 2021 season due to COVID-19 pandemic, Jodee seconded.**  
**Motion passed by acclamation.**
- f. Lawaun reminded the committee about the USARS graduation celebration for any graduates we may know.
- g. Jodee asked for clarification about 2b which was discussed prior to her joining the call.
- h. Janet asked about the technical manual and volunteered the Rules Sub-committee to take over this document to be in the same format as the current rulebooks. Lawaun will forward her updated version to Janet and Janet will be in touch with Vickie for updates from Academy Leaders.
  - i. **Janet moved that the technical manual be included in the documents that the Rules Subcommittee has jurisdiction over, Tony seconded.**  
**Motion passed by acclamation.**

4. Announcements

- a. Next meeting is scheduled for **August 5, 2020 5:30 PM PST.**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm PST.**

Submitted

Joyann Barber

Secretary

**Action Items:**

Directives for members of our committee:

Chair (Ed) to send email invitation to Jessica and Susan (separately).

Chair (Ed) to ask Executive Committee for full clarification of the policy related to educational fundraising goes 50% to committee.

Chair (Ed) to notify Danielle Storm that her contract has been extended for 1 season due to Covid-19 pandemic.

Curt to draft email response to Eric asking for further clarification related to Covid-19 guidelines and send to committee for approval.

All members are to send in questions related to the new coaches certification within 1 week to mini-committee of Joyann, Jaymee, Ed, & Lawaun.

Rules sub-committee to update and reformat Technical Manual.

Building Skating mini committee to organize next set of webinars.

To Finance Committee:

Request for Zoom subscription reimbursements for Janet and Candice.

Request to extend memberships to 2021 season for skaters, coaches, and officials due to Covid-19 pandemic.