Figure Sport Committee meeting January 13th, 2021 at 8:30 pm EST –

Attendees – Doug Adams, Tony Berger (left at 10:44pm), Curt Craton (joined at 8:37pm), Joyann Donaldson (athlete, Chair), Jaymee Meloy (athlete), Lawaun Modrich, Janet Pavilonis (non-voting), John Peck, Katelyn Rodgers (athlete), Jodee Viola

Absent – None

Meeting was called to order at 8:35pm EST.

1. Approve Dec 16 Meeting Minutes
   - Tony motioned to approve, Doug seconded. Minutes approved by acclamation.

2. Reports from sub committees and special committees
   a. Rules
      i. Technical Manual approval
         - Janet motioned to publish the manual, Doug seconded. Motion approved by acclamation, 1 abstention
   b. RollArt Technical Committee
      i. RollArt Equipment Update
         - Joyann spoke to Scott Clifford and to Regional chairpersons about:
           - desire to obtain RollArt equipment
           - Who they would train
           - If they have funds for the equipment or access to any equipment
   c. Officials - No report
   d. Regional Coaches Reps - Minutes in drive folder
      ● Two letters from Chekon and Galleta that need a response from FSC
         ○ Conversation to follow focused on World Skate and how it works with our domestic program and better communication of our plans to use both to build USARS.
   e. Academy Leaders - No report

3. Old Business
   a. Announcement - Bios have been updated on website as well as committee names
   b. Strategic Plan (PDF in drive folder)
      ● Membership numbers - 2017-18
         ○ Officials- 263
         ○ Skater cards (all types)- 1978
         ○ Coaches- 345
      ● Membership numbers - 2018-19
         ○ Officials- 275
Skater Cards (all types) - 1129 (seems low according to Megan, cannot access Rsportz program for exact count)  
Coaches - 346

- Membership numbers - 2019-20  
  Officials - 206  
  Skater Cards (all types) - 537  
  Coaches - 341

c. Need to increase membership and build skating in the US. Ideas:  
i. Continue seminar series - Joyann, Lawaun, and Jodee to continue working on this  
ii. Better marketing  
iii. Retain skaters  
iv. Considering the business side  
v. Another contest after axel contest? - current contest has 4 entries to date  
  1. Blooper “fail” contest - Janet and Joyann to work on flyer
d. Nationals Discussion  
i. Discussion on Open National qualifications  
   - Per our August 27 meeting minutes “Doug moved that the FSC recommends to the Board of Directors that the 2021 National Championships be an Open Nationals (for 1 year only) and skaters must qualify by participating at the Regional Championship, Jodee seconded.”  
   - Due to the fact that some regional championships could be cancelled due to COVID, this option was discussed.  
   - Do we want to stick with this proposal? Heidi is asking for our proposal to be sent directly to her, Regional info needs to be sent out by end of month.  
   - **Doug motioned for an open Nationals where a qualifying placement at the Regional Championships would not be required in order to attend. Motion passed by acclamation.**

ii. Order of Nationals to be confirmed by Joyann
e. Jodee, Lawaun, Joyann - topics from Regional Reps (Juv/Elem B split, B team dance events, WS/domestic dance crossover)  
   - Mentioned that overwhelming majority of coaches are in favor of the Juv/Elem B split  
   - Tabled until the summer when we discuss requirements for next year and have a better idea on more current numbers
f. Janet, Curt, Tony - 3 year rotation of dances/figures in adult events: no report
g. Pan American Championships (Ecuador, Feb-Mar 2021) - no coaches have responded with interest in this competition

4. New Business
a. Rollart app (Tony): no report
b. Silver Moveup Rule (Jodee, John, Curt, Janet): no report
c. Virtual Critique Proposal (in Drive folder along with feedback from RollArt committee)
   - Must hold a membership in order to enter
   - Free of charge for first video
   - Up to two additional for $10 each
   - Anonymous judging and technical calling
d. National Virtual Invitational
   i. Members to look over proposal
   ii. Vote by email January 20th, 2021
   iii. Doug to email the proposal out
e. Committee member movement and public communication thereof
   i. Tabled for next meeting

5. Announcements
   a. Next regular meeting will be scheduled for **February 10th, 2021 8:30 PM EST.**

Meeting adjourned at 10:46pm EST. (Doug made motion, Jodee second) motion passed by acclamation.

Submitted
Jaymee Meloy
Secretary

**Action Items for Members of FSC:**

- Joyann to send letters back to two letter submissions
- Continuing seminar series - Joyann, Lawaun, and Jodee to continue working on this
- Blooper contest - Janet and Joyann working on flyer
- Silver Move Up rule will be researched by John, Curt, Jodee, and Janet
- Janet, Curt, Tony - 3 year rotation of dances/figures in adult events
- Tony to research app development
- Everyone to review National Virtual Invitation and vote by email
- Doug to send email proposal for above competition for FSC vote

**Action Items for other committees:**

- none