NEW ENGLAND INTERCLUB COUNCIL 2/7/18 NEICC WINTER MEETING MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm via teleconference, by President/Chair Susan LaLone, Hayden Rec Ctr FSC. Present for the teleconference call: 7 member clubs represented in person, by proxy, meeting quorum. In person, Ellen Kudravetz - Colonial FSC, Laura Days - SCOB, Glenda Winn & Alan Wolfe - Maine S.A., Elizabeth Murray - Yarmouth Ice Club, Val Johnson - Hayden Recreational Cr FSC, Rebecca Nagle - Hayden Recreational FSC.

President's Remarks:

We had 9 USFS National Medalists from the NEICC Clubs this past Nationals. Ranging from Juvenile level to Senior. There are a total of 20 medals in all so we had almost a 50% success rate. Also had a strong showing at Eastern Synchro with SCOB & Colonial. Good Luck to all teams competing at Synchro Nationals!

ACTION TO BE TAKEN: Sue suggested we should send a congratulatory letter or certificate to each medalist recognizing their accomplishment. It is good marketing.

Sue would also like to try and encourage club members to send in photos of how they used the National Skating Month kits sent to them by the NEICC for paying their membership on time. These photos are to be posted on our website.

We still need to do a better job getting the member clubs involved in the NEICC and understanding the opportunities afforded to them by the NEICC. To date, we are having success in getting high school skaters involved in the NEICC High School Series. Still need to develop a club education series.

Minutes from last meeting were accepted and approved.

Ellen Kudravetz reviewed the financials. High School program has made \$4500 approximately to date; split with the LOCs profit is then approximately \$2250. Treasurer's report placed on file.

There are two locals from the NEICC going to the Olympics. Aimee Buchanan representing Israel and Brooklee Han representing Australia.

Sue is still interested in producing/hosting LTS seminars and a judges school. She recommended to Glenda to contact North Star FSC, Enid Coughlin, to locate a place to hold it.

Also need to organize Club Education seminars. Possibly in August before new season starts.

Rebecca Nagle reviewed the High School Skating Program. Here are the talking points:

- Made money from the four successful events.
- Need to make season August February. Too many conflicts with ice shows, proms, etc. after that date.
- Preparing a USFS article for the June/July issue.
- two colleges will be attending the NEICC Challenge Cup for recruitment
- High School program forming in Maine with a potential competition in August.
- 2 teams in Vermont, 1 team in New Hampshire, approx. 10-12 teams in Massachusetts

New Business:

Treasurer paid the Aldo Constantino recipient after grades were received. New applicants can apply by April 30, 2018. Nicole Kealy was the recipient. Sue to find out the parameters of the Aldo Constantino Scholarship to possibly start considering High School Student Athletes. If not possible maybe use profits from High School Skating Program to establish a second scholarship program.

\$9000 in training scholarships was distributed to skaters of Intermediate level and below. Need to rewrite application for clarity. Eight applications have been put in this year. Monies were distributed by skills and need. Amounts ranged from \$250-\$4000.

Alan Wolfe stated to contact Suzi Wherli about Club Ed seminars.

Need a nominating committee for next year. Need elections for next year since we didn't hold them this year. Need to get slate of Officers for Spring meeting to be elected in the Fall. Rebecca Nagle is resigning from secretary position at the end of this season. Will do High School position for one more year only also.

Val Johnson and Rebecca Nagle nominating committee. Need to find one more person.

Lisa Aldrich has agreed to do our filings and taxes.

The form for the Judges/Officials stipend needs updating to include Technical Panel schools.

Date for the Governing Council Book Meeting is set for April 19th @ 7pm. Teleconference.

SPRING MEETING is May 30, 2018.