

***Minutes of the Jackson Hole Figure Skating Club  
Parent Orientation and General Membership Meeting  
November 11, 2006***

**PARENT ORIENTATION MEETING**

The Parent Orientation Meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm.

Gary Merrell introduced the JHFSC coaches, board of directors, and club officers to the parents and membership. Gary presented a description of the JHFSC. Gary explained the JHFSC's affiliation with USFS and as the administrator of our local skating school. Gary explained the different JHFSC membership levels.

Leslie Montgomery asked for an explanation of how board members and officers are appointed when their seats are vacated. This was explained by Gary, Jon Mobeck, and Audrey Sorensen.

Lori Fussell informed parents about the club website, bulletin board, and newsletter.

Lacey Merrell updated everyone about the Christmas Show format and plans.

Cooperation with the Pinedale figure skating program was discussed. Gary and Lacey reported that Pinedale skaters will be participating in the JHFSC Christmas Show and that we are working to form a partnership to help them grow and build their program.

Gary informed/reminded parents about upcoming events - December USFS test session, Basic Skills Competition, Spaghetti Dinner and Auction, Jackson Hole Invitational, Spring Show.

Gary announced upcoming plans for the Skating School Guest Coaches - Stephanie Grosscup next week, Dec 4th-Steven Cousins, After Christmas Break-Jozef Sabovcik. Check the bulletin board and website for future announcements. Guest coaches will teach all skating school levels and will be available to club members for private lessons.

Gary announced that the JHFSC is currently looking to hire a club assistant. The job requires a time commitment of approximately 8 hours a week. Contact Gary if you are interested.

Gary announced that volunteers are needed to serve as Secretary, Spaghetti Dinner Chairman, and Competition Music Chair.

Sue Morgan expressed concerns regarding the fact that Akop Manoukian is no longer a coach for the Jackson Hole Figure Skating Club's Skating School and that an equivalent replacement coach was not hired. The discussion was tabled to continue at the General Membership Meeting.

Parent Orientation meeting was adjourned at 6:43pm.

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

The General Membership Meeting was called to order at 6:47pm.

Gary introduced the board of directors and officers to the members.

The discussion regarding Sue's concerns about changes in the Skating School's coaching staff was completed.

- **PRESIDENT'S REPORT** – Gary Merrell  
The JHFSC will receive \$10,700 in grant funding this year from Teton County (\$5,000), the Town of Jackson (\$1,000), and the Wyoming Arts Council (\$4,700). Thank you was given to Leslie Montgomery for writing the proposals for this funding. We are also receiving an additional \$4,000 in funding for a new music system.
- **TREASURER'S REPORT** – Gary Merrell for Mary Merrell  
Season to date income is roughly \$49,000 (not including aforementioned grant funding). Old Bill's Fun Run income was \$9,172. Shaved Ice Income was \$3,143.
- **SKATING SCHOOL REPORT** – Lacey Merrell  
Lacey gave an update on the skating school enrollments to date: 60 youth skaters in the afterschool program and 6 skaters in the adult classes.
- **MEMBERSHIP REPORT** – Lacey Merrell  
Lacey gave an update on the USFS membership to date - 47 senior members and 21 junior members.

- **VOTE ON AMENDMENT TO BYLAWS**

Three revisions/amendments to the JHFSC bylaws were passed by a majority of the Senior membership. These included one “clean up item”, a change to require Senior membership for 3 months prior to being given the right to vote or hold office, and a change to allow the Board to waive the requirement for a Junior member to have a parent/guardian join the club as a Senior member on a case-by-case basis.

- **ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR**

Gary introduced Phyllis Baldwin as a new member of our club.

Leslie Montgomery asked several questions of the Board of Directors regarding the operation of the Club and recent decisions of the Board of Directors. Each question was answered by the appropriate Board Member.

Several members requested that the Club provide written financial information at its membership meetings. The Board will discuss this possibility with Mary.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:03 pm.

Minutes submitted by Lori Fussell, Interim Secretary, 11/7/06