

## **Report of the 2022 Annual Membership Meeting Minutes (05/10/22)**

At 8:02pm, May 10, 2022, Call to Order and Welcome by our LSA President Hilary Pohn officially started the 2022 LSA Annual Membership Meeting. LSA Secretary Mary Vaughn read the report of the approved 2021 LSA Annual Membership Meeting Minutes; motion to approve the minutes was made by Jennifer Battat, seconded by Jessica Mills Kincade, and unanimously approved.

### **Officers Reports–**

President Hilary Pohn introduced the new board and executive committee, current members, and members departing at the end of the 2021-2022 term. Annual review of employees, navigation of covid task force, search for new Learn to Skate USA Director, new club directorships structure, strategic planning 5-year plan, upcoming annual banquet, and recognition of volunteers with an additional call to future volunteers highlighted the president's report.

Treasurer Jon Becker reported the budget emerging in a much better financial place. Jon continued to credit LSA predecessors for preparing our club for the pandemic's hardships. He reported that budget gains allowed the club to add new training equipment and support staff to continue to get back to normal. Rising costs have been worked into budget to prepare for the upcoming 2022-2023 term.

### **Skating Director Report–**

LSA Skating Director Jessica Mills Kincade reported the restructuring of the contract ice sessions in order to offset the lingering effects of the pandemic and rising ice costs. This restructuring helped to support the club's competitive training. Synchronized skating team (14 skaters) had a good season attending 3 competitions, earning a silver medal finish at Tri-States competition. Learn to Skate returned to its traditional 1-hour model, with 21 coaches, along with the return of both Coolest Camps in Town and a season high of 478 members. New directors, Mary Vaughn (LTS) and Valory Thompson (Aspire) began April 1st. Report of the building excitement for the clubs returning events (NOI, Fire & Ice, Competitions), new coach hires, National Skating Month Free Clinic, changes/transitions, and anticipation of building a new foundation concluded the skating director's season recap.

### **Task Force Reports–**

Incoming Membership Chair Heather Ludwig reported a busy membership year as LTS and new LTS Jumpstart memberships moved to the Entryeeze platform. 198 LSA full

members (not including LTS) round out the current numbers with the renewal season approaching June 1st.

SkateSafe Chair Gail Nall explained the rebranding of SafeSport for USFS, giving a summary how to access training courses for athletes, parents, and minors, relaying serving as the contact for inquiries on policies and SkateSafe accessibility on USFS website.

Governing Council was held in Colorado Springs, CO; club delegates included Sheri Carey, Kathryn Mills, Jessica Mills Kincade, and Mary Vaughn. Delegate Kathryn Mills shared the highlights of the Club Education workshop in addition to the varied presentations throughout the conference (i.e., creation of LSA membership promo, DEI workshop, club management, etc.). Delegate Jessica Mills Kincade reported on the rule changes implementation that will affect club members; upcoming rule change implementation includes changes to spin requirements, jump bonus structure, and the structure of the National Qualifying Series (NQS) and regional/sectional challenges. Restrictions to capping tests competitors may have passed to compete in corresponding levels were removed (singles, pairs, ice dance). “Moves in the Field” changes to “Skating Skills” at the end of the upcoming 2022-2023 membership year. References were changed on pattern and free dance tests.

Steve Sizemore reported the adoption in November 2021 of the new LSA Strategic Plan. The task force used much of USFS goals in addition to tailoring areas to the clubs needs outlining LSA’s strategic goals. The task force is proud to present the plan for access and serve the club.

#### Announcements–

Vice President Matt Byrdwell talked about plans for additional fundraising for the club to offset rising ice costs. The proposed booster would involve a spring/summer event plan (i.e., golf scramble, trivia night).

Question and answer segment focused on inquiry regarding the restructuring of ice time and level designation(s) for each session.

Motion to adjourn by Jennifer Battat was seconded by Stephanie Peters; meeting was adjourned by President Hilary Pohn at 8:40pm.