**Vernon Speed Skating Club**

**Board Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, Nov 16, 2016 @ 5:15pm at Boston Pizza, Vernon, BC**

In Attendance: Board Members – Diana Hall, Tony Benn, Julie Boyle, Ian Stewart

Motion to call the meeting to order at 5:25pm

Review of previous minutes – read overview of topics covered

Open Discussion:

Board of Directors Insurance – received invoice and should now be paid.

Interior Savings donated $300 for this season

Fundscrip – waiting to hear from Emma. Diana will follow up with an email to her.

Travel Expenses

 Discussion developed around what kind of expenses the club is looking at and how to designate the funds. Suggestions to designate the money to camps and competitions outside of this region. Suggested events: Ft. St. John summer camp; LT Championships; Provincial ST Championships. Approximate amount to designate was established at around $2000. Ian feels this is good incentive to get kids engaged in going to competitions. Tony feels money should be for competitions that all kids are eligible to attend. Diana mentions that a club is a feeder system from learn to skate to elite and should therefore be continuing to support those who qualify for bigger competitions. Ian says it is difficult to get parents to pay for elite now. Diana says we are building the program now; parents aren’t paying anyway. Julie must leave for an appointment so more discussion is deferred until next meeting.

New Poster is being made to hang at Kal Tire Place.

Spending Club Money

Everyone agrees we need to reduce our cash on hand to satisfy the gaming grant requirements. Some options include storage bin and skate guards. Tony and Ian say they will investigate the storage bins. Julie feels a call out to skaters to return unused guards is a good idea before purchasing more. Diana agrees to send email asking for skate guards. Ian requests a wish list from members and coaches to know how to spend the funds available.

Additional Awards

Ian is filled in with the previous discussion about selecting new awards so that more skaters can become recipients. Assuming all board members are at the next meeting, the board has decided to narrow down the selection and vote at the next meeting.

Most valuable team member

Rookie of the year

Spirit Award (best attitude)

Peter Blokker award (dedication to sport on and off the ice)

Most improved technical

Most consistent

Most memorable sports moment

Gaming Money

 Very brief discussion on amount of money available. Determined at $1500 as unrestricted funds. How to spend the money will be determined by a future financial account and priority of items from a wishlist. Diana must leave so meeting must end.

Open Floor – no time for new items

Date of Next Meeting – not determined

Meeting Adjourned – 6:40pm

Fundraise events:

 Pizza Cards – Sept.

 Meat Orders – Nov & Feb

 Skate-a-thon – Dec.

 Funale Family Basket raffle – Jan.

 50/50 Funale – Feb

Dates to come:

 Skate-a-thon Dec 5

 Family Skate Dec 21

 Last Day X-mas Dec 22

 First Day back Jan 2

 Funale Feb 11

 Last Day of season Mar 16 AGM – Mar 22