

ALBERTA SKIPPING ASSOCIATION  
Conference Call Meeting  
7:00 pm March 12, 2008

Attendance: Bill Smale- President, Diane Wearden- Treasurer, Lynn Lowie- Secretary, Janine Carroll- CRSF rep, Vienna Huber- Director

Agenda of Meeting: Provincial Report  
Judging Problems  
Retreat

Meeting called to order at 7:17 pm

1. Provincial Report from Janine Carroll and Vienna Huber
  - they will be setting the gym up on Friday night
  - running 3 speed stations Saturday, 5 stations on Sunday but only 1 freestyle table due to shortage of Judges

Discussion regarding when the Masters competition will start due to some Athletes only competing in Masters

2. Judging Problems: Discussion regarding Alley Cats being charged by the CRSF for a judging penalty of \$250.00. Diane explained that the Alley cats took 5 judges to Nationals in 2007. During the competition one judge got sick but found a replacement, however the fine was still levied. She advised she disagreed with the fine. Janine explained that if the Alley Cats wanted to go to Nationals in 2008 they would need to pay the fine and then appeal the decision to the CRSF or they may be suspended and not allowed to compete at Nationals. There has been a precedent set where a team did not pay a fine and were suspended from an International competition. **Correction: CRSF membership was suspended until the fine is paid.**

Diane agreed to pay the fine and then make an appeal.

Billy advised that in the beginning of the 2008 fall skipping season there will be a weekend judge's clinic for all judging levels. It will be split into Level 1 and level 2 with the more experienced judges going into level 2. He advised that Alberta needs to get a level 1 judge who can teach the level 1 judges while he instructs the level 2 judges. He advised the revamped program is a much more comprehensive and strives for consistency in Judges.

Billy also mentioned that he has received a letter from the Alberta Sports and Recreation requesting their grant of \$2400.00 back as it was not used for what it was intended- coaches manual. Diane advised the funds will be returned.

Vienna Hubber needed to leave at approximately 7:45 pm

3. Alberta Skipping Association Board Retreat.

Billy advised that the dates have changed since the last time this was discussed but he was unable to locate the information on the new dates. He advised it will still be in the month of June. He discussed the potential format as being a Meeting on Friday night, Board Development session on Saturday during the day with a couple of hours break then reconvening in the evening of Saturday to continue with Board Development. Sunday he is trying to get a guest speaker from a Figure skating or Cheerleading club. He advised that he would be holding the Retreat at the school he works at St. Benedict's, Edmonton Alberta