

Board Meeting Minutes, January 14 2001

ICB Board Meeting - Minutes 1/14/01

Present: Scott Klemm, Susan Mix, Tom Keane, Jon Scarlet, Robin Travers, John Wichers, John Zarba

Absent: Sarah Curi, Jeff Decola, Membership Director (unfilled position)

1. Tax Status

- We have an EIN (employer identification number)
- We need to file for nonprofit status with the IRS. In addition to the initial filing, this will involve preparing an annual tax return for MA and an annual statement of board meeting minutes
- Susan will talk to Sarah to verify that she is agreeable to having Sharon Hubbard's friend, Jerry Gotkin, investigate this issue for us, then will talk to Sharon about arranging a meeting with Jerry at his convenience (time and place to be determined by him).
- We will compile a list of questions for Gerry in advance of that meeting. Please email questions to Susan (Sarah??) and cc the group- this should help generate a good list and prevent duplication.

2. Insurance

- Jon S brought information from K & K Insurance, which is the largest provider of coverage for amateur sports. They don't include inline skating in their standard categories, but would put it into the most high-risk.
- There are two types of insurance: general liability, which covers non-participants; and participant liability, which would cover only club members.
- We felt it was fiscally impossible to afford general liability (which would cost at least \$3500/year). Participant liability would cost \$600-\$900/year for a \$1 million - \$2 million policy. This seemed more realistic, but we'd need to somehow make sure that everyone skating with us was a club member.
- We discussed changing the wording of the waiver to grant new skaters a temporary membership. We also decided that we need to find out definitively how well (or if) our nonprofit corporation status protects us (board members and also club members) from liability.

3. Treasury Report

-- Currently there's \$3530 in the treasury.

-- Most recent checks cut were \$82 for mailbox and \$50 for Skate Jam.

-- John W will put data into Quicken (Tim Clarke has already set up spreadsheets).

4. ICB Board membership votes

-- We voted 9-0 (with Sarah and Jeff voting by email) to remove the position of BCNSP Director from the Board, given that the BCNSP (now known as NSP Boston) is a functionally and legally separate organization.

-- We also discussed amending the Bylaws so that the BCNSP Director was no longer an automatic appointment to the Board. It was suggested that Sarah draft a modification to this effect. However, after reviewing the Bylaws we found that they do not specify the BCNSP's role on the Board.

-- We voted 8-0 (with Sarah voting by email) to invite Ed Q to join the board as Membership Director.

5. Skate the Hub

-- Neil is working on housing, registration, food etc. The NSP Boston is working on skate routes. Current estimate is for 250 skaters, 150 from out of town.

-- The ICB is not officially participating in or sponsoring the event, although we may be able to help Neil recruit volunteers.

6. New business

-- Decision to hold monthly board meetings and/or send email updates on Board's activity to club mailing list

Updated May 3, 2002 - Susan Mix