

Skatium Ice Rink Advisory Board Minutes – July 21, 2015

The next Meeting is scheduled for: August 18, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. at the Township Building!

Attendees: Commissioner Chris Connell; Joe Noone, Barbara Latsios, Drew Simcox, Karen Samulenas, Adam Terranova; Bill Preston (Guest) and Rick Turnbull.

Absence Excused: Larry Yates; Tamara Nedjar and Charles McGarvey.

1. Joe Noone started the meeting at 7:30 p.m.
2. The June 16, 2015 minutes were approved.
3. Public comments: There were no public comments.
4. Rick Turnbull reviewed the Skatium numbers to date. Since this is considered the off-season and most of the leagues are off now the numbers although steady are light. The Skatium has hosted Lansdowne; Ridley and Upper Darby Recreation Centers, all of which brought in good numbers for this time of the year.
5. The two business Hav-A- Burger and Skate Shop are both satisfied with sales during the off-season. Hav-A-Burger is bringing in business from the side door and they have been satisfied with the extra business coming in from the side.
6. The work continues on the front entrance. The computers are in for the cash; credit; and debit transactions. Training will be taking place soon to get employees up to speed.

New Business

1. Bill Preston spoke on behalf of Joe Oreschuk to discuss getting more kids involved with the High School and Middle School hockey teams. As with most hockey clubs they have seen a decline in membership due to the expense of ice time and the commitment to the schedule. They would like to see more involvement with activities like hosting the Flyers' Cup and some charitable events. They are also looking at some ways the school district can help with recruitment of team members. Bill also mentioned that they would be in the Haverford Day parade this year scheduled for Saturday, October 3, 2015. He extended an invitation to the DCSC members and Joe Noone offered to let the kids use a trailer that he has at the Fire House. He mentioned how it was done a few years ago and it was a nice addition to the parade and the kids enjoyed it! Barbara Latsios has informed the president of the DCSC and they will plan on participating.
2. Adam Terranova discussed writing a letter to present to the Commissioners on the 2015/2016 goals of the Skatium. He would like to use the Skatium Mission Statement and discuss ways that the Skatium could seek ways to contribute to the community. He spoke of increased participating with the inter-county leagues; advertising and theme nights. All ways to increase public skating in addition to the regular contracts for the various disciplines of skating. Karen volunteered to proof read the draft letter for Adam.

3. Shiny hockey has continued for the whole summer. They are skating on Monday; Wednesday and Friday mornings. Drew mentioned the problem of the schedule conflict on Friday, July 3, 2015 when the skaters showed up and no one was present to let them in. Rick mentioned that there was a problem with the schedule and vacation days and he apologized for the mix-up vowing that it won't happen again.

4. **The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. Everyone agreed that the accommodations at the Township building, located at 2325 W. Darby Road. (Eagle and Darby) were very good and will be used for future meetings, unless noted otherwise.**

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Mission Statement: The purpose of the Skatium Ice Rink is to be a financially stable municipal recreational facility which will provide the residents of Haverford Township with a recreational and learning opportunity in all disciplines of skating as well as enhancing the quality of life by providing them with an affordable opportunity for a unique recreational experience among the community at large.

Definition of recreation facility: "Recreation facility" means a business or nonprofit organization which offers leisure and recreation services to the public or to members. This includes but is not limited to gymnasiums, gymnastic schools, indoor and outdoor roller or ice-skating rinks, country golf courses, driving ranges, tennis clubs, indoor and outdoor play courts, horseback facilities, indoor and outdoor shooting facilities, batting cages, go-cart or dirt bike, miniature golf or putt courses, skateboard areas and water slides or water parks.