

Skating Club of Northern Virginia Annual Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 19, 2025

Meeting started: 7:30 pm
In attendance: 27 adult full members
Meeting adjourned: 7:47 pm

Meeting Discussions:

- **Quorum**

With more than 16 full adult members in attendance, a quorum was achieved.

- **Board member election**

Laura Koscho, Charles Park, and Melissa Mahle were nominated to serve a three-year term. No opposition was made by the meeting attendees, and the slate was approved.

Verbal Reports:

- **President – Charles**

In our 50th season, I am pleased to report that our club continues its mission to support our skaters and their families. Along with 24 fellow clubs recognized at the 2025 US Figure Skating Governing Council held 5/1 to 5/3, SCNV celebrated our 50th anniversary with a special edition logo, fundraiser and Gala now rescheduled to 10/12. Unexpectedly, we lost 3 skaters and their parents to the US DC Air Disaster of 01/29 on AA Flight 5342. The club immediately coordinated and offered counseling services at FIA, hosted a remembrance skate on 2/4, followed by a JB organized memorial on 2/22. Meanwhile, US Figure Skating hosted the Legacy On Ice tribute event at Capital Arena on 3/2 and offered financial support to the victim families. We will always remember and celebrate the lives of those we have lost and honor their memories at our upcoming annual banquet on 6/8.

For next season, the 2026 Winter Olympics will renew worldwide interest in the sport of figure skating, and we are excited to participate as part of the US Figure Skating family. Tonight, we have a new and returning board member slate for club vote, and share committee highlights from our current season. Finally, I thank all the skaters, parents, coaches, officials, families and friends who have invested their time and funds with SCNV. We truly appreciate our board members, committee chairs, and volunteers, and I encourage all members to actively participate next season.

- **Treasurer - Karen**

Fiscal year ended April 30, financials will be available to anyone who wants info. General points – good year, healthy profit this year, moved some \$ from savings to high-yield account, membership is strong which helps profit, strong fundraising campaign for 50th anniversary, met fundraising goal, 50th anniversary fund now has \$8500. Scnv operates to benefit of our skaters,

very little overhead and admin costs, lots of programming, lots of things happening all the time, Cardinal Classic is biggest so far this year, Johnny Weir skating seminar sold out, didn't generate a lot of profit but was a good experience for skaters, banquet is coming up on June 8, test sessions, picnics, holiday parties

Test sessions

We had a stunning number of gold medalists, including first quadruple gold medalist in a long time. Economics of testing and the fact that virtual testing is so important to club members, so ¾ of tests that members took were not through scnv, in person tests are difficult to maintain with fewer skaters signing up, may need to reuse ice time for special events so that there are other ways to use the ice and make money, scnv occasionally offers virtual testing, may need second test chair to run virtual testing, virtual testing is labor-intensive but is pure profit, 3-4 times the amount of time as an in-person session, healthy group of skaters progressing through levels

Competitions

In general have been a big success, lots of members compete at cardinal classic, opportunity to host an event at home club with family and friends there, positive experience for skaters, last year's cardinal classic was full and had to turn away 70 skaters, this year we bought more ice time so we could accept all skaters, but this year we had 100 skaters on the waitlist. Demand is there in the region and for excel series, great volunteers every year, thuthuy is a great resource for recruiting volunteers, competition live system was a great success last year, it's expensive but enhances skater/parent/coach experience

Sassi – second year, very successful, grew to 25 teams this year, for a brand new competition, they are filling their time well

Banquet

June 8, Ashely cain is special guest speaker, members need to rsvp and buy tickets

Camp in CO

Brought a pair of eddie's skates to camp, got signed by faculty/students/athletes/champions/coaches/team usa as a memorial item

Questions from Membership

- No questions raised by members attending the meeting

Written reports for all committees were emailed to membership ahead of the meeting and will be uploaded to the SCNV website following the meeting.