

Board members present: President Beth Cyr, Vice President Rosemary Roy, Treasurer Nikki Pratt, Secretary Sarah Krizo (who volunteered to fill this roll at the beginning of the meeting), Maine Cheer Classic Coordinator Melissa Merritt, Registration Coordinator Alana Thomes-Oliver. Also present: Advisory Board Member and head official Jen Audette.

Board members not present: Coaches' Liason Kim Dallaire.

16 voting members present: Lewiston Auburn, Noble, Gardiner, Oxford Hills, Poland Rec, Turner, Scarborough, River Valley, Woolwich, New Gloucester Rec, Saco, Coastal Union, Old Orchard, Leaps N Bounds, Brunswick, Western Maine Dance & Gymnastics, and Bridgton.

President Beth Cyr opened the meeting at 10:15 am.

### **Review and Accept Minutes**

Motion made to accept the May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2008 minutes. Motion accepted. All in favor.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Account balance is \$3,700.68. Nikki opened a new account at a new bank with a tax ID number. Motion made to accept Treasurer's Report by Rose, seconded by Joellen from LAYCL, all in favor.

### **Maine Cheer Classic**

Melissa has nothing to report at this time.

### **Coaches' Liason Report**

Kim was not present, no information reported. Discussion regarding high school competition dates: Jan. 19<sup>th</sup> SMAAs and KVACs, Jan. 24<sup>th</sup> Regionals, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> States.

### **2009 Invitational Schedule**

Invitationals are open to all divisions unless otherwise noted. More information and registration forms can be found on the MYCCA website.

- 1/23: Saco (Superstars, Middle School)
- 1/31 & 2/1: Cheers from the Heart, Marshwood
- 1/31: Cheers from the Heart, Oxford Hills
- 2/1: Poland Spirit Invitational
- 2/7: High School States
- 2/8: \*this date is open
- 2/14 Scarborough (all divisions plus JV and Varsity at night)
- 2/21: LAYCL
- 2/28: Oxford Hills
- 3/1: Elite (Kennebunk)
- 3/7: Bangor & River Valley
- 3/14: Maine Cheer Classic

3/21: Turner

### **Old Business**

No old business to discuss.

### **New Business**

-Do we want to pay \$300 to get a federal tax exempt number? If we're not tax exempt, we have to file a tax return every year. If we are tax exempt, we will only have to file if we earn more than \$25,000 gross proceeds in a year. This group has never previously earned more than \$25k in a year. Motion made to file for tax exempt status, seconded, all in favor. Nikki will get the application out this week. It will take 2-3 weeks to complete.

-Discussion prompted by Jane Wiseman regarding competition hosts charging late entry fees. Should all competitions charge the same fee? What should the cut off be? Consensus was that hosts will charge a \$25 late fee if registration is entered less than 2 weeks before the competition date.

### **Announcements**

-Cheers from the Heart Youth team registration fee is changing from \$65 to \$35 this year for members of MYCCA.

-Competition rules and regulations are found in the NFHS Spirit Rule Book. All Varsity coaches have a copy of this book already. If coaches want one of their own or want another one, order them individually at [www.nfhs.org](http://www.nfhs.org).

-Jen Audette presented scoring guidelines and discussed changes to rules and regulations. She stressed the fact that all high school coaches in Maine will need to be AACCA certified by 2009. If anyone has questions for Jen regarding team-specific issues, please email her at [jenaudette@roadrunner.com](mailto:jenaudette@roadrunner.com).

-All attendees were entered into a drawing to receive one of ten \$10 Dunkin Donuts gift cards or a scrapbook (\$40 value) created by Nikki ([www.scrapperbeenikki.com](http://www.scrapperbeenikki.com)).

### **Next Meeting**

Tuesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009, 6:30 pm at the Multi-Purpose Center, 145 Birch Street, Lewiston (across from the Colisee).

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 am.

Respectfully submitted by Sarah Krizo.