

## Board Meeting Minutes 12/3/2013

- In attendance: Stacy, Erin, Catreas, Kerry, Morgan
- Events
  - Palouse Cares
    - Joplin/Kitty organized, set information on facebook
    - Letha compiling basket for auction
- Update on Gladish
  - Stacy hasn't heard back on official practice/floor proposal
  - Plan to contract for 2 years and pay up front for 1 practice per week
  - Other practices would be paid per month, but contract would lock RHDD during 2 years
  - Floor will be redone by Sean Pattison, likely in March or April
    - Will be done w/o labor costs, so RHDD will find room and board + travel expenses
  - Skaters should get in the habit of walking around the outside of the gym while wearing outdoor shoes. Water, mud, dirt, etc. is damaging and dangerous for our skating surface
- Left Turn Clinic
  - A successful event for RHDD and local leagues!
  - Excellent feedback from Mercy and Luludemon
  - Same time locked in for 2014 if RHDD decides to have them return, TBD at a later date
- Fresh Meat Gear
  - Fresh Meat program is in need of better skate equipment
  - Money from Beasley Raffle and Krunch will go directly to fortifying existing equipment
    - Agreed to improve skates with gumball toe stops, stickier wheels, bearings
  - Stacy to work with Krunch to see if we can outsource part of their rental program for a more local option for skaters
- Membership policies review
  - Techno read through rough draft of policies, present members commented on areas to delete, add to, or edit
  - Draft is being worked on and will be sent out to league for feedback
    - Due dates TBD
  - Policies reviewed by board are listed below in voting recap
- Board Form Submissions
  - Submissions to board were read and reviewed by present members, feedback and comments were discussed
  - Future submissions for consideration/resolution by the board can be directed to <http://www.rollinghillsderbydames.com/the-fine-print.html>

## **Board Voting Recap:**

### Membership Policies

We reviewed membership policies and voted unanimously on the following:

- To require that all board members have personal access to the social media we choose to communicate with (currently Facebook). It was agreed that there is needed information and documentation that is lost when there are conversations going on via Facebook, email, and phone
- All of the reviewed membership policies were agreed upon with changes talked about in the meeting (skater conduct, board code of ethics, board conduct, what it means to be an active skater, RHDD member etc.)
- All board members must be dues paying members of RHDD and active skaters.

With the increase in skaters of all skill types, we talked about the possibility of different levels of skaters. However after further discussion, the board unanimously decided to tailor practices to different skill levels. The practices, described below, were voted unanimously for are as follows:

- Fresh meat only practice
- Open Rec practice (fresh meat invited and encouraged to attend)
- Open/endurance practice/Scrimmage (only those who have passed skills or are otherwise approved by coaching committee are welcome to attend)
- Bout eligible (those rostered for the next bout or otherwise)

### A and B Team Discussion

Based on the current infrastructure of the league, its limitations in regards to practice times for A and B teams, organization, and A and B coaches, the Board agreed that the formulation of divided "A" and "B" teams would not be feasible for the 2014 season. In lieu, the Board opted for the continued investment of the 2013-formulated Death Caps and Violent Gems, which will provide more opportunities for a wider range of skaters to gain bouting experience through home bouts. We have several (roughly every other month) interleague scrimmages scheduled. This was a unanimous decision among all present board members. We also agreed that we would NOT be traveling with a "B" team and that if any bouts were scheduled with "B" teams, that those bouts would be cancelled or rescheduled with an all star team. (Again, we don't have a B coach able to travel to all of these away bouts nor do we have a practice time designated for a "B" team.)