

2015 RFSC Board Elections

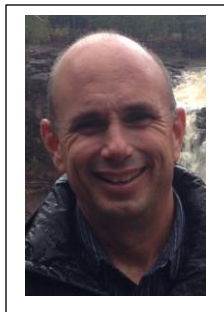
Elections to the Rochester Figure Skating Club Board of Directors will take place at the club's annual meeting on Friday evening May 1 at Zumbro Lutheran Church. Here's the current roster of Board members:

Board Member Name	Elected	Term Expiration
Wayne Brakke	May 2014	May 2017
Adam Brase	May 2014	May 2016 (resigning board position)
Stacy Dierauer	May 2014	May 2017
Chris Gade	May 2013	May 2016
Jeff Germer	May 2014	May 2017
Julie Hobbs	May 2013	May 2015
Amanda Mikhail	May 2014	May 2017
Dawn Nelson	May 2012	May 2015
Kim Otte	May 2013	May 2015
Andy Schram	May 2013	May 2016
Laura Schroeder	May 2013	May 2016
Elizabeth Harty	January 2013	May 2015

Up to five positions can be filled – four with terms that will expire in May 2018 and one that will expire in May 2016.

Here are candidates for the RFSC Board.

Steve Beery



I am interested because I have fallen in love with figure skating since my move to Minnesota. Coming from Arizona and California I never had much exposure to ice skating. My daughter started skating after our move to Rochester. She has been part of Rhythm and Blades for four years. In her skating time I have learned about the sport and how the competitions and scoring work. I have always been an advocate for youth athletic and academic programs. I coached multiple teams for RYBA and am an Advisor for the Police Explorer Program for the last three years. I have coached 9th grade soccer at Mayo High School for three years. I believe the being a leader for the youth and teaching them life lessons through athletics and academics is beneficial to the youth and society as a whole.

The strengths I would bring to the Board are my ability to tackle projects and my tenacity to see them through. I ask detail orientated and work tirelessly to complete projects in a timely, efficient and

complete manner. I am a team player and work good with other people. In 25 years of being a police officer I have become known as a people person with the ability to work with people from varied backgrounds. I believe I have a good relationship with all the members of the club I have worked with. I gladly give my time and would work to continue the positive relationship the RFSC has with the community and hopefully grow the skaters involved in the club. I have great interest in the synchro part of the club and would work to grow the numbers of participants and thus the numbers of teams in Rhythm and Blades.

Kelly Corbin



I would be honored to serve on the RFSC board. I grew up in this club in the 90's as an individual competitive skater, coached figure skating during college and have spent the past 5 years as an adult synchro skater and ice dancer. This eclectic mix of skating disciplines provides me a unique viewpoint as a member of the club.

However my experience in the community is why I'm asking for a nomination to the board. I currently serve on several non-profit boards, community coalitions, and numerous city, county and state committees for community improvement. I'm in the process of starting a small non-profit in Rochester and understand the value that comes from a board of directors diverse perspectives and skillsets. I feel my connections in the community could be a great benefit to the club as well as my experience serving on boards. I'm actively engaged with the City Council and County Board to have a unique perspective of the trajectory Rochester is headed and how the RFSC board and staff can make strategic moves to anticipate the changes.

Using the "Strengthfinder" assessment my top 5 strengths are; strategic, futuristic, adaptable, intellection and realtor.

I'm currently chair of the Continuous Improvement Committee for Olmsted County Public Health, I believe there are several opportunities RFSC can use to better improve customer service and lean out processes to make them more efficient and cost effective. I'm naturally a dreamer who thinks of the big picture first which can be an asset to any board. I have 7 years of project management experience in Public Health projects within communities that has provided me ample opportunity to collaborate, adapt to barriers, implement new initiatives and evaluate success. I've been involved in several strategic planning events and am one of the rare people who enjoys every moment of it! Making connections, whether it's to unique skills people bring to the table or similar organizations, is a skill I've developed and believe would be valuable to

help better integrate RFSC into the Rochester community. I also plan to be involved with this club for decades to come and will keep the long term in mind for the betterment of the club.

Tammi Desens



I am a Finance professional with nearly fifteen years of experience. I enjoy working on a team, adapt quickly to new situations, and efficiently implement projects. I have held Finance roles at a number of large organizations including ADC Telecommunication in Eden Prairie, Minnesota (now TE Connectivity), Carlson Companies in Minnetonka, Minnesota, PriceWaterhouseCoopers, and Mayo Clinic where my responsibilities included Financial Planning and Analysis, Financial Reporting, Tax Planning and Corporate Accounting. I am currently serving as a Business Intelligence Manager at Mayo Clinic. I hold a CPA license, an MBA from Augsburg University and a BA in Accounting from the University of St. Thomas.

My daughter, Isabelle, is a member of the Rochester Figure Skating Club. Isabelle completed the Learn-to-Skate program in 2013 and is now enrolled as a contract skater. I have been a volunteer for the Learn-to-Skate Welcome Week initiative. Through this experience, I learned the value in providing a resource for families to answer questions and familiarize themselves with the program and the club. I would love to be involved with initiatives focused on club growth and skater retention. Whether this entails providing input for a five year financial plan or creating additional resources for parents and skaters to assist as they transition from the Learn-to-Skate program into contract skating, I would be eager to assist.

Lori Jean Engle



I would love to serve on the RFSC Board to contribute to a sport and program that is near and dear to my heart. I grew up from the age of 4 on the ice. I competed both individually and on a "precision" team, now called synchro, up until High School graduation. While attending college, I coached figure skating. Here in Rochester, I spent 2 years on the Adult Synchro Team. My daughter Hannah, now 13, has been skating since the age of 7. I think I have passed my love of the sport down to her.

The past two years I have been chair of the Ice Monitors for our Hiawathaland Competition, and also co-chair and chair of the Pre-Ticket sales for our annual Ice Show. I am also currently on the Ice and Rules Committee. I feel that having been a figure skater myself, I can see the big picture, and have the best interest of all skaters in mind.

Away from the rink, I work as a Registered Nurse for Mayo Clinic. I have spent the last 17 years there. As a nurse, I have compassion for what I do. I also have a compassion for figure skating and would love to bring that to the RFSC Board. Working as a team is something I do in my everyday job and I would work that way on the board as well. Working to recruit and retain skaters takes a team approach and everybody working together towards the same goal. I would love to be a part of this growth by being on the RFSC Board. We have a great Organization and I'm proud to be a part of it.

Elizabeth Harty



I believe my previous board experience as well as my knowledge of U.S. Figure Skating rules and policy are strengths that I can continue to bring to the Rochester Figure Skating Club board of directors. Since I don't have children in the club, I don't have conflicts when making decisions. I am interested in working with the amateur sports commission to bid for regional and sectional U.S. Figure Skating events as a way of bringing revenue to the club.

Skating Resume

U.S. Figure Skating Judge

Since 1996

Gold Test Judge

Senior Sectional Synchronized Team Skating Judge

Club Activity

- Board Member – Burnsville-Minnesota Valley Figure Skating Club
 - 1996-2000
- Ex Officio Board Member - Burnsville-Minnesota Valley Figure Skating Club
 - 2000-2011

Twin City Figure Skating Association

- Member at Large – 1999-2007
- Secretary 2000-2004
- President 2004-2006

U.S. Figure Skating Activity

- U.S. Figure Skating Grievance Committee

- Member - 2002-2005
- U.S. Figure Skating Membership Committee
 - National Vice Chair for Membership Policy & Rules 2003-2011

Competition Management

- 1998 World Figure Skating Championship local organizing committee member
- 2000 World Synchronized Skating Championship
- Co-Chair 2004 Upper Great Lakes Regional Competition
- Co-Chair 2008 U.S. Figure Skating Championships (St. Paul Xcel Center)

U.S. Figure Skating Club Education Seminar Teacher– 2009-2011

- Taught club management to board members to various U.S. Figure Skating clubs (3 seminars a year)
- Started U.S. Figure Skating monthly club education webinars
- Worked with figure skating boards with management issues

Note: Brooke Wodziak withdrew her candidacy on Tuesday, April 21. If additional candidates express interest, they will be added to the ballot for voting at the annual meeting on Friday, May 1.

ABSENTEE VOTING

Those unable to attend at the Rochester Figure Skating Club annual meeting on Friday, May 1 are able to vote via absentee ballot. Please go to the Rochester Figure Skating Club temporary offices (Rochester Recreation Center, Activity Room #3) during regular office hours Monday (12:30 – 3:30 p.m.) and Tuesday - Friday (1:30-7:30 p.m.)