

Artistic Sport Committee meeting February 18, 2026 at 8:30pm EST

Present: Jamie Chekon (arrived at 8:45pm), Jessica Gaudy (athlete), Jody Harrah (chair), Michelle Higby, John Hultquist, Katelyn Lee (athlete), Stephanie Moore (arrived 9:30pm), Jaymee Meloy (athlete), Amy Waters

Absent:

The meeting was called to order at 8:30pm EST.

1. Declaration of Conflicts
 - a. No new conflicts
2. Approval of 2026 January Meeting Minutes
 - a. **John motioned to approve the 2026 January meeting minutes. Amy seconded. Motion approved by acclamation.**
3. Subcommittees
 - a. Regional Reps
 - i. Discussed updates needed to C rulebook.
 - ii. 2026 February 5 Minutes accepted.
 - b. Academy Leaders
 - i. No new minutes to report.
 - ii. Committee applicants to be discussed at the end of the meeting so that those with conflicts (Jaymee and Stephanie) can sign off.
 - c. Officials committee
 - i. Discussed proposal to adjust music penalties for domestic to align with World Skate which would be for next season.
 - ii. Discussed issue with questions on the C judges commission exam regarding the Integer System.
 - iii. **John motioned to accept the Officials Committee “Participation of Officials at Domestic Seminars” proposal. Jessica seconded. Motion approved by acclamation.**
 - iv. **Amy motioned to accept the Officials Committee “B Judge Probationary Period” proposal. Stephanie seconded. Motion approved by acclamation.**
 - v. Discussed dance flight rotation proposal. Amy to seek clarification on the meaning and reasoning of the proposal (is there meant to be no dropping down for flights even if there are more than three flights? And what is the reasoning for this change?)
 - vi. 2026 February 4 minutes accepted.
4. Old Business
 - a. Email decisions
 - i. Domestic precision, quartet, and open show warm-up rules

- i. Discussed revising the wording of rule AR CD.109 to the below:
 - 1. Logo Identification on Skater Costume
The size of advertisements/logos must be limited to three (3) inches at the largest dimension worn on costumes for Regional and National competitions. However, for all award ceremonies and official training, artistic skating competitors may wear something other than their competitive costumes without any restriction on the numbers or size of logos or advertising limited to USA Roller Sports-approved sponsors.
 - ii. **Michelle motioned to accept the updated wording on rule AR CD.109. Amy seconded. Motion approved by acclamation.**
- i. New Sport Committee Guidelines
 - i. Discussed updated guidelines will be coming from the executive board.
- 5. New Business
 - a. World Skate Academy Applications
 - i. Discussed applicants per discipline for 2026 World Skate Academy and determined the following recommendations:
 - 1. Free Skating
 - a. Shelby Smith
 - b. Erin Gaber
 - c. Tracy Black (pending updated resume)
 - 2. Dance
 - a. Stephanie Moore
 - b. Candice Clifford
 - c. Candice Heiden
 - 3. Pairs
 - a. Vickie Bateman
 - b. Jaymee Meloy
 - ii. Jaymee Meloy and Stephanie Moore declared conflicts regarding their own applications.
 - iii. **Jessica motioned to approve the World Skate Academy recommendations. John seconded. Motion approved by acclamation.**
 - b. Senior Pan Am Games
 - i. Discussed needing specifics regarding disciplines and ages in order to send skaters to qualify the USA.
 - ii. Amy to find out specifics.
 - c. Team USA Attire Agreement
 - i. Tabled
 - d. International Competition List
 - i. Tabled
 - e. 2026 Creative Solo JotForm
 - i. Jaymee & Jody to update the Creative Solo Content JotForm for 2026

- f. Questions for the field
 - i. Diane Parker Coach Certification email - Tabled
 - ii. Jayden Maksymchuk - Asked for permission to compete in Italy. Jaymee to contact Debbie to ask Jody for an updated letter.
 - iii. Natalie Motley - asked about sanctioned World Skate Scoring events and if there is a complete list. Jaymee to contact her about the New Jersey Open.
- g. World Skate Academy Leaders Applicants
 - i. Discussed applicants for the World Skate Academy Leaders Subcommittee and determined the following recommendations:
 - 1. Edgar Urrutia (non-voting member)
 - 2. Jaymee Meloy
 - 3. Stephanie Moore
 - 4. Erin Gaber
 - ii. Jaymee and Stephanie noted conflicts and left the call for the discussion and approval.
 - iii. **Amy motioned to accept the World Skate Academy Leader recommendations. Jamie seconded. Motion approved by acclamation.**

Action items:

- Jaymee - double check that most up-to-date requirements grid is in drive
- Amy & John - Discuss with officials committee the addition of an Integer System resource to the tech manual
- Jody - track down integer system resources that can go out to the field
- Amy - seek clarification on the meaning and reasoning of the dance flighting proposal
- Jaymee - move the current drive into the new USARS drive.
- Jody - respond to Coach Caroline with highlights of our discussion.
- Amy - find out specifics regarding Pan Am Games disciplines, ages, etc.
- Jaymee & Jody - update creative solo jotform
- Jody - update rulebook with new AR CD.109 wording

Next meeting: Wednesday, March 18, 8:30 pm EST.

The meeting adjourned at 11:29pm EST. (Amy motioned to adjourn. Jessica seconded. Motion approved by acclamation.)