

**Dan Perceval's Xtreme Ice Skating
Board of Directors**
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**Minutes of the Meeting
January-February 2010**

Board Members:

Dan P.	Mark G.
Ivan D.	Daniel S.
Loop B.	Michael S.
Paul G.	Kevin H
Becky S.	Claudiu C.
Max C.	Jess P.
Nathan W. (Chairman)	Onggo W.
Michael P.	Lenny F.
Christopher C.	Jonathan J.
Jenya D.	

In attendance:

Jonathan J.
Dan P.

Mission Statement:

To motivate and involve people into the eye-popping sport of Xtreme Ice Skating. We, the Board of Directors (developers and leaders of our sport), serve the function to work together to provide culture, organization, structure, and business within our sport.

I. Agenda:

Create a program whereby interested Xtreme Ice Skaters can go through a systematic process of studying and training to teach the sport of Xtreme Ice Skating.

II. Creation of content:

• Instructors Program:

This program is the totality of the entire teaching system including structure, layout of classes, policies, market analysis, insurance, requirements, testing, guidelines, and expectations.

Document: http://www.xtremeiceskating.com/online_documents/instructors_program.pdf

• Instructor's Manual:

This is the study guide that Xtreme Ice Skaters will use to study for the Instructors test.

Document: http://www.xtremeiceskating.com/online_documents/instructors_manual.pdf

- **Instructors Test:**

This is the actual test that Xtreme Ice Skaters will take in order to achieve an official certification to teach.

Document: http://www.xtremeiceskating.com/online_documents/instructors_test.pdf

III. Discussion and debate of programs:

Jonathan J. stated that:

“I agree with most of the things you suggested but I have a suggestion from my side as well.

Maybe you could ask people to follow a training in their own country to get their degree in teaching ice skating.

I’m sure that each country has an organization which provide such courses. I think it would be useful just to get the certificate of being able to initiate people to ice skating.

This way you can rely on an official organization which did a basis test of the skater who also wants to become an XIS instructor. You will be sure about the didactic/teaching abilities of the skater which makes it better for you as well to provide instructors who have a basic qualifications in their own country as well to teach ice skating in general.

This national certificate can help the instructor to find people which are willing to take an XIS course as it gives some prove of child/safety/qualified teacher issues etc to the parents of the children. I know that this might be of great value in some countries, especially as people don’t really know the Xtreme Ice Skating TM etc.”

Dan P. raised the concern:

Hi Jay. Thanks for stopping by. You have a great idea in regards to training in each country. From the standpoint of a sport organization or company such as the one we are developing, it is crucial that any certification to teach the sport be directly through the organization itself. Any certification to teach the sport outside of the organization would directly undermine the integrity and legitimacy of the sporting organization. For instance, if the Figure Skating Association had regional Xtreme Ice Skating organizations certify figure skaters to teach figure skating, it would undermine the figure skating organization and sport itself. But I understand where you are coming from. Thank you for your input.

In regards to “official”, Xtreme Ice Skating Corporation makes all certifications official because of insurance coverage, business structure, market size, and brand name recognition. For parents who don’t know the name “Xtreme Ice Skating”, I found that not to be an issue. Parents signed their kids up to skate because their kids wanted to skate. Parents signed an insurance waiver and I required the students to wear protective equipment. The rink had also endorsed my classes – and this was made so simply by having my material made available at the rink such as a poster and a pamphlet.

Jonathan J. replied:

“Okay. And what do you think about a national teaching certificate before people apply to become an XIS instructor?

If they have a national certificate, then you have some guiding as well which proves that those persons have insight into didactics, skating equipment and the basic skating skills and ways to teach those.

Your Xtreme Ice Skating Instructor Certificate will be of a higher level of course.

I don't know if you get my point :-) It's like getting through primary school (e.g.: national certificate) before going to secondary school (e.g. XIS Instructor certificate) :-p

I agree with all the other points!

Will insurance coverage be globally?”

Dan P. replied with:

“You said: “And what do you think about a national teaching certificate before people apply to become an XIS instructor?”

I think that the process to which an XIS Member becomes an instructor should be efficient, structured, simple, and cost effective. I would assume that you are proposing that any potential XIS Instructor be required to apply for a national instructor's test first before applying for the XIS Instructor's test. I can understand the merits that one can attain from this. I think your idea is most suiting in a situation where our sport is already BIG, or if it was in the Olympics or headed to the Olympics. Considering the size of our sport and that it's still being developed, getting anybody involved in anything right now is very hard. Your idea would probably play well if people were applying for XIS Certification on a daily basis. But we have to make it easy for people to first stick their foot in the water.

You asked: “Will insurance coverage be globally?”

No, insurance will not be global at this point, to the best of my knowledge. The insurance that I had when I taught in 2006 was backed by an insurance agent that was only licensed to supply insurance to those living in the United States and could only teach in the United States — even though the insurance company I think is an international company. Every country will have potential insurance agents to supply insurance for our sport, but the only way to get that insurance is through a regional agent. Therefore, if someone applies for certification from Poland for instance, we will have to help that person find an insurance agent in Poland. And for Belgium, the circumstance would be the same but with an insurance agent in Belgium. But the insurance company that we use, or group of companies that we use, are the same, than convincing an insurance agent in any other country to supply insurance for our sport will become

much easier. I must say, this isn't going to be easy. Than again, nothing in creating this sport thus far has been easy. Regardless, our sport will flourish."

Jonathan J. replied:

"I'm glad you got my point. You are right about getting people involved in this sport and to teach it ... hence, I don't have any more comments to make :-) I totally agree ...

About the insurance, if we have to find one nationally then this wouldn't be a problem for me ... I was just wondering if we would be insured by the Xtreme Ice Skating Corporation when we would teach XIS."

Dan P. answered:

You asked: "I was just wondering if we would be insured by the Xtreme Ice Skating Corporation when we would teach XIS."

To answer your question: no, you wouldn't be insured by Xtreme Ice Skating Corporation, but you would get insurance either through us, or in cooperation with us. If you're able to find an insurance agent who's able to provide you insurance to teach the sport, than that will suffice. However, I will need to speak to your insurance agent anyway to gather details about the insurance package and to make sure that the insurance has the right coverage (general sports liability, personal liability, and excess-medical-pay if applicable). These details will also allow me to easily set someone else up with the proper insurance in your country who might also be looking to apply for certification to teach "Xtreme Ice Skating".

IV. Board of Directors Vote:

The following was created: "Instructors Program", "Instructor's Manual", "Instructors Test", and was voted on by the Board of Directors on Sunday, February 17th, 2010. It was accepted as written and passed with unanimous consent.

V. Download program documents & affiliated materials:

* Instructors Program:

http://www.xtremeiceskating.com/online_documents/instructors_program.pdf

* Instructor's Manual:

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