

Calumet Region Striders
Board of Director's Meeting
April 8, 2010
Minutes

Location: Portage YMCA, Portage, Indiana

Michele Hale	President
Robin Benson Harvey	Vice-President
Pete Klaeser	Secretary
Cecilia Bernal	Treasurer
Doug Walter	Nominations, Bylaws, & Disabled Runners
Dan Sturgell	Membership & Volunteers
Mary Zemansky	Gold Cup Series
Lisa Moreno	Social Events
Sue Brown-Nickerson	Runner Programs & Scholarships
Mike Wilson	Webmaster & Statistician

Meeting called to order at 6:35 by Michele Hale

Absent: All Present

Guests: Dave Chary

Motion to approve March minutes: 1st Robin Benson Harvey, 2nd Lisa Moreno Minutes approved with no changes.

President's Report (Michele Hale):

New Business

- Weight Watchers Walk
 1. The date of this walk must be June 6th in order for club to receive a donation.
 2. Concerned about the conflict with the Field Station Frenzy 5K (Gold Cup race) on the same day and same location.
 3. Propose the walk will occur at a different location at a different time of day and will attract a different audience.
 4. Mary Zemansky will contact Field Station Frenzy race director to discuss any possible date or time conflict.
 - 5.
- Spirit Run Age Groups – Senior age groups don't match Striders Age groups.
- Fee Request
 - A runner sent a letter to Striders asking for a fee waiver at the Taltree Ten due to lack of money. This will be referred to the Taltree Ten race director.

Unfinished Business

- Committee Sheets
-complete and return by next Board Meeting
- Looking for items for the silent auction at the Strider's banquet.
- Bios
-Board members need to update bios in the next 30 days.

INSTEP Deadlines

- Submissions due by: April 14th
- Go to print to OE: April 19th
- Pick up: April 23rd
- Mail on: April 27th

Vice President's Report (Robin Benson Harvey)

New Business: None

Unfinished Business: None

Treasurer's Report (Cecilia Bernal)

New Business

Complete Accounts

Total Households: 424

Total Members: 605

Total Gold Cup: 300

Funds

General Information: Available upon

Jim Cox: request

Stevens-Hamilton:

Unfinished Business: None

Secretary's Report (Pete Klaeser)

New Business: None

Unfinished Business: None

Gold Cup & Sponsored Race Series (Mary Zemansky):

New Business

- Race Raters as follows:

- Taltree (Dan Sturgell & Pete Klaeser)
- Spring Fling (Robin Benson Harvey & Lisa Moreno)
- Sprit Run (Pete Klaeser)
- RRCA Insurance Coverage for XYZ races
 - Can the XYZ series races get insurance coverage with the Calumet Striders insurance policy? The Striders policy only covers club sponsored events and the XYZ races are not club sponsored.
- Two week timeline for rater evaluations to be in (online or mail)
- Reminder to coordinate bringing table stuff between assigned raters

Unfinished Business

Social and Sponsorship (Lisa Moreno)

New Business

- Gold Cup Banquet
 - The contract has been signed and the deposit paid for the 2011 banquet.
- Holiday Party
 - Party be held at the Patrician Banquet Hall (\$15.00 per person) – the raffle will help lower the per person cost.
- Facebook Account
 - Now includes all Gold Cup races – currently has 117 members
- Railcats Outing
 - Outing will occur on July 11th (Beach towel night) - \$9.00 per person with a \$5.00 food option
- Fun Run & Breakfast Event
 - Looking to plan a morning social event/run. Tabled till next meeting
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- Strider Picnic
 - Still looking for a date and location – will look at the possibility of having it following the Tower Run in Washington Park.

Unfinished Business: None

Runner Programs and Scholarships (Sue Brown-Nickerson):

New Business:

Committee Report from Teleconference held 4/6/2010. (Participants: Sue Brown Nickerson, Chair, Michele Hale, President, Cecilia Bernal, Treasurer, Mike & Jayne Willis, Sherry Robison, Nicolette Huber, Steve Kearney) Jim Cox Scholarship Recipient is Carl Duncan, Andean HS.

Move CRS Board to approve and award amount of \$600 that is 80% of the donated proceeds to Jim Cox Fund for 2009 by unanimous consent of committee. Motion to approve: 1st-Sue Brown-Nickerson, 2nd- Doug Walter. Voted on and approved by the Board.

Move CRS board to transfer \$2,000 of the \$4,500 youth fund balance on 12/31/2009 to the Jim Cox Scholarship Fund by unanimous consent of committee. Motion to approve: 1st Sue Brown-Nickerson, 2nd – Robyn Benson Harvey . Voted on and approved by the Board.

Twenty-five (25%) of the Taltree 10 race proceeds to be designated to the Jim Cox Scholarship Fund beginning 2010. Goal: as result of the high increase in youth program membership and TT10 race contributions, the committee finds it necessary to review and perhaps revise the application guidelines as it relates to the criteria of how much money will be awarded. Currently the application reads "80% of the funds from the Jim Cox Memorial Scholarship from the previous year will be awarded on step-down basis..." (Tabled for next meeting by committee chair -should/can adult member(s) be eligible for Jim Cox Scholarship(s) in the future.)

Track & Field Signups - Lake County - May 1st & May 8th 1-3 pm Fleet Feet Schererville; Porter County May 1st 9-11 am St. Pauls School at Spirit Run; and May 15th 9-11 CHS track at JV DAC Meet; Season begins May 17th in both County(s). Budget Needed: Agility Ladders 4@[\\$44.50](#) each; miscellaneous equipment shots, baton(s), stopwatches - \$100; post season t/f party 2@[125](#) each site; signup postcards & postage 150 households at 28cents approx \$75. **Total: \$600**

Will there be a RRCA Certification Class offered in our area in 2010? (Michelle Hale will find out) Mrs. O'Connor of Porter Parks & Recreation is interested. Porter County Parks interested in a combined Strider race of any kind at Sunset Hills this Fall.

Calumet Strider Signage found on the road.- please be sure to retrieve signs after events.

GC table observation at RIS – need to have the Strider's table near the food areas.

TT Update: modified course due to new nature center at TT; modified start waterstop locations have changed. Give pre-registration money to Cecilia. Suggest another email blast referencing this and to have runners check posted course maps prior to race. Make sure TT was/is listed as designated event on RRCA insurance form.

Striderwear - Message from Polly. She is out of town for Ramp Run & Brickyard. Will bring items to Spirit Run - will have sample jackets and sizes to take orders then.

Unfinished Business: None

Nominations, Bylaws & Disabled Runners (Doug Walter)

New Business:

- Looking at the old club constitution regarding the process needed for amending the current club constitution.

Unfinished Business: None

Membership and Volunteers (Dan Sturgell):

New Business:

- Attended Purdue/Calumet Fitness Fair – distributed club brochures and made many contacts.

Unfinished Business:

- Working on coordinating with Fleet Feet to help promote running programs and Gold Cup races.

Webmaster and Statistician's Report (Mike Wilson):

New Business:

- Renewed Calumet Striders domain name for 5 years.
- Adjusted Strider Board online race evaluation site.
- There is now a “rate the race” link on the race results page for each race with results listed.

Unfinished Business: None

Next Meeting: May 13th 2010 at 6:30 PM, Omni 41 Health Club, Schererville, Indiana

Meeting adjourned at 8:45