# Calumet Region Striders Board of Director's Meeting February 10, 2011 Minutes

#### DRAFT – NOT APPROVED

Location: Omni Health Center

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

Meeting called to order at 6:35 PM

Absent: Mary Zemansky

Guests: Larry Giannetti, Nicolette Huber, Jose Lopez, Thomas Nedza, Linda Ramos,

Motion to approve January minutes: 1<sup>st</sup> – Sue Brown-Nickerson (with modification), 2<sup>nd</sup> – Robin Benson-Harvey (with modification). Minutes approved with a modification regarding the Lifetime member nomination.

### **Board Election Results:**

Doug Walter announced the results of the Board Elections. The following were elected to two-year Board positions:

President – Michele Hale Vice-President – Robin Benson-Harvey Junior Striders & Scholarships – Sue Brown-Nickerson Adult Running Program – Nicolette Huber Social Events – Linda Ramos Public Relations – Lisa Moreno

#### **President's Report (Michele Hale):**

- 1. All new Board members were sworn in to their new positions. Striders members who ran for office but were not elected have been asked to serve on committees.
- 2. New or updated bios are needed for the website from all Board members. These should be sent to the Webmaster by the next Board meeting in March.
- 3. Thank you goes to Lisa Moreno for the Strider banquet. Michele will organize the silent auction for next year and it will be placed in an area with more lighting.
- 4. A survey will be developed to determine Strider member's interests and opinions. Michele will come up with a rough draft.
- 5. The Strider Banquet and Holiday Party contracts need to be arranged for in February.
- 6. We need to have representatives at the Omni Fitness Fair and the Purdue Fitness Fair. Dan Sturgell will check on the dates of both events.
- 7. Frank Johnson of the Crossroads Marathon is asking the Striders to possibly host a water stop. He is also looking for help at the awards presentations following the race.
- 8. Sponsor letters need to be sent out.
- 9. The Weight-Watchers walk will be May 22 this year. The pavilion at Wicker Park has been reserved. Money will be spent for shirts and bags for the event. The money spent will be reimbursed from registration fees.
- 10. Any Board member is encouraged to submit news or articles for the Instep Newsletter.
- 11. Looking for ideas for the Gold Cup gift. Please bring ideas with details to the next Board meeting.
- 12. Need to set up criteria for things such as volunteer awards, silent auction, 50-50 raffle, and for the RRCA convention budget.
- 13. Discussed the RRCA convention budget which will send 4 Board members to the 2011 convention in Virginia. Most of the budget would be covered from proceeds from the silent auction, 50-50 raffle, and weight watchers proceeds. Motion was made to approve a budget of up to \$3000 for expenses by Doug Walter. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nicolette Huber. Approved by the Board.

#### **INSTEP Deadlines**

• Submissions due by: February 16th

Go to print: February 21stPick up: February 23rdMail on: March 1st

### **Vice President's Report (Robin Benson-Harvey)**

1. The RRCA volunteer award must be submitted prior to December 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **Treasurer's Report (Cecilia Bernal)**

Complete Accounts

Total Households: 639 Total Members: 954

Total Gold Cup: Not available

Funds

General Information:

Jim Cox: Available upon request

Stevens-Hamilton:

# **Secretary's Report (Pete Klaeser)**

No Report

# **Gold Cup & Sponsored Race Series (Mary Zemansky):**

### GC/SS Committee:

- 1) GC Table coverage sign-up sheet. Please review and sign up for as many races as you can in advance. Also note that there is a column to coordinate transfer of table stuff. Michele had a great idea to laminate and place the sheet with the GC boxes.
- 2) There will also be a sheet in the GC stuff indicating a list of persons who did and did not complete the requisite paperwork for the LDS. 18 did it right; 16 were missing verification forms. Those without forms did not receive an award. Any runner who has a problem with this can talk directly to me.
- 3) Please think about the Fun Run @ Portage Park as an XYZ rail event and also consider the possibility of adding a 100 mile/km recognition award for this year.

### Social and Sponsorship (Lisa Moreno)

• Banquet Re-cap: 327 attendees. The DJ gave back \$150 for the Jim Cox fund of the \$250 fee they charged. There was a total of \$6954.85 in expenses.

## Runner Programs and Scholarships (Sue Brown-Nickerson):

1. Will assist with a membership drive at the Valentine's run. Will ask the race director for a Strider table at the race.

### **Adult Running Program (Nicolette Huber)**

- 1. Working on developing two running programs involving the Field Station Frenzy race and the Nativity 5K.
- 2. Amy Hart is conducting a running program in Valparaiso that currently has 23 participants.
- 3. Looking to include a new walking program for adults with the Weight Watchers run/walk being part of it.

## Nominations, Bylaws & Disabled Runners (Doug Walter)

- 1. Election results reported at beginning of meeting.
- 2. The constitution will be updated on the website.

# Membership and Volunteers (Dan Sturgell):

No Report

Next Meeting: March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Portage YMCA

Meeting adjourned at: 8:15 PM