

Calumet Region Striders  
Board of Director's Meeting  
June 9, 2011  
Minutes

DRAFT – NOT APPROVED

**Location:** Portage YMCA

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	Public Relations
Sue Brown-Nickerson	Youth Running Programs & Scholarships
Nicolette Huber	Adult Running Programs
Linda Ramos	Social Events

Meeting called to order at 6:50 PM

Absent: Robin Benson-Harvey, Nicolette Huber, Lisa Ramos

Guests: Mike Wilson, Vincent Salazar, Ray Pietrzak

Motion to approve May minutes: Motion made by Lisa Moreno and seconded by Sue Brown-Nickerson. Approved by the Board.

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

1. Strider bucks @ Gold Cup races: Any Board member can hand these out at the races.
2. Water bag bottle: A not-for-profit company is selling water bags. Strider logo could be put on them. Possible Gold Cup premium for next year?
3. Holiday party - Porter County: Have not been able to find a place in Porter County that matches the low price that we have at the Lake County site.
4. New Striderwear: Looking into getting new Strider wear.
5. Committees responsibilities / hats: Need committee members to do more of the work of the committee and not have to do so much committee work at the Board meetings.
6. WW Expense re-cap: Good turnout of over 900 participants. A net profit was realized.

7. Sue Brown-Nickerson will look into Board member polo shirts – will send out an email regarding sizes and styles.
8. RRCA budget review: Discussion was held regarding the expenses incurred by the Board members attending the recent RRCA convention. A motion was made by Doug Walter to reimburse the receipts from expenses of the Board members who attended. Seconded by Lisa Moreno. Approved by the Board.
9. WebMaster Update: Mike Wilson reported that:
  - Each Board member will help with the web pages that contain information they are responsible for.
  - Vincent Salazar, Monica Gutierrez, and Ray Pietrzak are being “trained” on the website procedures.
  - Each Board member will have access to the web pages to edit. (Mike will work with each Board member individually.)
10. Race Directors need to be reminded to keep to the deadline dates.
11. The Strider timing clock is being used by TH timing. Will look into what the agreement is regarding the clock.

#### INSTEP Deadlines

- Submissions due by: June 15th
- Go to print: June 20th
- Pick up: June 21st
- Mail on: June 27th

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

No report

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

##### Complete Accounts

Total Households: 497

Total Members: 740

Total Gold Cup: 305

##### 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) Table coverage for June and July was reviewed.
- 2) SS updates: Difficult for the Gold Cup Chair to do the Sponsored Races requests. A Gold Cup committee member should have this responsibility.
- 3) Email blasts and responses for ratings: The response is good when there is an email blast asking for race evaluations.
- 4) Revisiting the chip issue: Looking into the possibility of the Striders having their own timing chips so when a race runs out we could help supply extra chips.
- 5) Online GC 2012 app and instructions to be posted prior to 6/30. Deadline of 9/30 to submit.
- 6) Runner etiquette issues: Will ask Race Director's to stress good race behavior in their race directions especially for younger and newer runners.

## **Public Relations (Lisa Moreno)**

### Public Relations

- Facebook activity: Currently have 592 followers.

- Gold Cup Premium: The hats have come in and will begin distributing them at the Munster Rotary race

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

- 51 new Junior Strider families
- 70-75 AAU participants

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

No report

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

1. Bylaw changes: Changes in job descriptions for youth programs, adult running programs, and public relations were discussed. Motion was made by Mary Zemansky to accept the changes. Seconded by Sue Brown-Nickerson. Approved by the Board.

### **Membership and Volunteers (Dan Sturgell):**

- Hershey's meet went well!
- Currently have 12 volunteers for the AAU meet – will need many more.

### **Social Events (Linda Ramos)**

- The Holiday Party will keep the same location.

**Next Meeting:** July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at Omni Fitness Center. 6:30 PM.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM**