

Calumet Region Striders
Board of Director's Meeting
October 11, 2012
Minutes

Location: Robin's Home

Michele Hale	President
Robin Benson-Harvey	Vice-President
Cecilia Bernal	Treasurer
Teresa Chester	Secretary
Dan Sturgell	Membership & Volunteers
Lisa Moreno	Public Relations / Webmaster & Statistician
Sue Brown-Nickerson	Youth Running Programs & Scholarships
Linda Ramos	Social Events
Jose Lopez	Gold Cup Series
	Nominations, Bylaws & Disabled Runners

Meeting called to order at: 6:49pm

Guests:

Motion to approve September minutes with changes: Motion by Robin Benson-Harvey, second by Cecilia Bernal – board approved

President's Report (Michele Hale):

Chicago Marathon Recap – good stop again this year. Lots of positive comments about our stop.

Christmas Fun Run – December 15th at Wicker Park

We will be adding a one year term for Nominations, Bylaws & Disabled Runners to the ballot. In the interim we will ask Doug Walters to step in until the election.

Vice-President's Report (Robin Benson-Harvey):

Has the coffee urn – Nikki will take to storage

Treasurer's Report (Cecilia Bernal):

Complete Accounts

Total Households: 574

Total Members: 885

Total Gold Cup: 313

Funds:

General Information: AVAILABLE

Jim Cox: UPON

Stevens-Hamilton: REQUEST

PayPal Account:

Secretary's Report (Teresa Chester):

No report

Gold Cup & Sponsored Race Series (Jose Lopez):

Gold Cup table for last four races will be manned by: Run for the Roses – Linda & Lisa, Fall Frolic – Cecilia & Lisa, Panther Pounce – Dan & Jose, Turkey Trot – Dan & Jose

We currently have 43 applications for Gold Cup status in 2013

Support for Sponsor Santa Run – Tim Fealey has selected three dates (Dec 8, 15, 22) we are asking that he move his race on the 15th to Porter County so it doesn't conflict with ours.

Sale of old inventory items – socks, towels & sunglasses. Try to move them at the Holiday Party & GC Banquet

Strider Wear for sale at Extra Mile – they are willing to accept Strider Bucks for Strider Wear

Public Relations (Lisa Moreno):

Put on a Strider race – free race with awards, a “members only” race. Something like the “Strider Survivor-Members Only”. If the members would like a t-shirt there would be a \$5 fee. Have at Sunset or Imagination Glen

Member survey – 81 responses, feedback was available to view

Banquet ideas – focus on awarding runners of all abilities/times. Less recognition for board members (survey indicated this was something the members want) Bring new category ideas to next meeting.

Webmaster & Statistician (Lisa Moreno):

Website activity 2,083 hits with 1,504 followers on both Facebook sites.

Adult Running Program (Nicolette Huber):

Met with groups last month. People are wanting to start other groups- how should this be handled? Does the program director have to be a certified coach? Next group will be training for Running with the Irish as their first race.

Membership & Volunteers (Dan Sturgell):

No report

Nominations, Bylaws & Disabled Runners (Deborah Brann):

Sue Brown-Nickerson made a motion to provide funding for a wheelchair attachment for a member to use while participating in races with their child. Second by Teresa Chester, Board Approved

Social Events (Linda Ramos):

Budget for Holiday Party was discussed and approved. We will have a white elephant gift exchange - \$15 limit

Trophies for GC Banquet – new categories were discussed

Youth Runner Programs & Scholarships (Sue Brown-Nickerson):

Provide invoice for youth coaches CPR classes at Omni/Duneland in Chesterton on Oct 15th & 25th total of 9 coaches. Motion by Sue Brown-Nickerson, second by Nikki Huber, Board Approved.

Youth Program Update – e-signups, family memberships & stats

Reimbursement of coaches for AAU membership/background checks

Jorge Ramos is working on a video link that can tie into the youth web page to answer general Q&A. Jorge would also like a few minutes of talking time at the GC Banquet regarding the youth program.

Are there any Chicago Marathon highlights for inclusion in the newsletter?

Club Striderwear order project update – do we need to order more long sleeve black shirts?

RRCA Board of Directors Election / Nomination process handout for review

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 8, 2012 **Meeting adjourned at: 8:12pm**