

Calumet Region Striders
Board of Director's Meeting
November 13th, 2014
Minutes

Location: Lake Station Public Library

Robin Benson	President
Jose Lopez	Vice-President
Milagro Gonzalez	Treasurer
Carri Massau-Ables	Membership & Volunteers
Lisa Moreno	Public Relations
Beth Boyer	Youth Running Programs
Deanna Grimes	Adult Running Programs
Mary Moreno	Social Events
Barb Hamner	Gold Cup Series
Tim Brown	Nominations, Bylaws, & Disabled Runners
Pete Klaeser	Secretary

Meeting called to order at 6:10PM

Absent: Barb Hamner, Tim Brown, Carri Massau-Ables, Mary Moreno

Guests: None

Motion to approve October (2014) minutes: Deanna Grimes motioned to approve the October minutes as is. 2nd by Lisa Moreno. Approved by Board 6-0.

President's Report (Robin Benson) :

1. Quilt Raffle: want to put a flyer in the newsletter explaining about the quilt and promoting the raffle.
2. Storage Unit fee will probably go up in Oct. 2015 when the current contract ends. May want to begin shopping around for a better priced storage unit.

Vice President's Report (Jose Lopez):

No report

Treasurer's Report (Milagro Gonzalez):

1. Membership Totals:

Total Households: 488

Total Members: 865

Total Gold Cup: 319

2. Funds

General Fund:

Jim Cox Fund:

Available Upon Request

Stevens-Hamilton Fund:

3. Finance committee/Auditor/Tax preparer

We already have an auditor/tax preparer (Glenda Snyder & Associates) who checks are books once each year. Is it necessary to have a finance committee if we already have an outside auditor checking the books? Need to see if the auditor is getting paid.

Secretary's Report (Pete Klaeser):

No Report

Gold Cup & Sponsored Race Series (Barb Hamner):

1. Elite/GC overall jackets: Will need 16 embroidered (front and back) jackets. There have been two offers. Deanna Grimes motioned we purchase 16 jackets from Gosser Sales for \$2723.00 (\$1000 will be a Strider platinum sponsorship and the other \$1723.00 will be paid by the Striders). 2nd by Beth Boyer. Approved 7-0 by Board.

2. GC awards – referred to Crown Trophy.

3. GC race selection 2015 - committee meeting in Dec. (date/time/location to be determined)

4. Clydesdale/Athena - mandatory or optional – Tabled to next Board meeting.

Public Relations (Lisa Moreno)

1. Striders to take over the Tower Run and/or the Valpo 5 Miler?

May need to consider sponsoring races to generate funds for the club. Our club insurance would cover sponsoring of races. Would need to provide equipment and volunteers. If we were are to sponsor these races, they can become part of elite series. Will need to have capable race directors in place before sponsoring any races.

2. New Strider Wear Vendor?

Will stick with GTM – will open website in January.

3. Fleece Headbands for winter? I can get for \$10 a piece
4. CPR Instructor Contact Person – have a person to certify groups in the club.
5. Status of website – Jeff needs help running the website. Possibly consider David Chary to help with the Stats. Jose Lopez will contact all parties involved and sort it out.

Youth Runner Programs (Beth Boyer):

1. Coaches Cross Country Nationals – in Nashville, TN one week from Saturday. Renting a tent for participants. No bus. Buying gas cards for coaches. Turning in all receipts for expenses that come out of the Youth Runners budget.
2. Will set up a CPR coaches training session for January.

Adult Running Program (Deanna Grimes):

1. XYZ Series – Extra Mile will probably drop the series next year unless someone takes it over. Will the Striders possibly take over the series?

Nominations, Bylaws & Disabled Runners (Tim Brown):

1. Bylaws with proposed changes were distributed.. Discussion of the proposed changes will occur at the December Board meeting.

Membership and Volunteers (Carri Massau-Ables):

1. Volunteers for Valpo 13.1: some confusion as to when they had to arrive. Was given time of 7am to email blast. Let's make sure for next year we clarify when volunteers need to be there.
2. Volunteers needed for pumpkin plod water stop Thanksgiving day.
-not the responsibility of Striders to provide volunteers for Gold Cup or any other race. Should we advertise that they are looking for volunteers?
3. Membership/fun run scheduled for [Saturday, December 27th at 9 am](#) in Wicker Park. Per Wicker, we do not have to reserve pavilion. "Resolve to Renew Your Strider Membership." Attendees to bring a breakfast item to share. Would also like to incorporate food drive to Food Bank of NWI. Donations are always made around holidays, but the needs stay the same year round.

Need to add flyer to newsletter for this event.

Social Events (Mary Moreno):

1. Need to settle on the date for the Challenger Learning Center event.

Next Meeting: Thursday, December 11th, 2014 (Robin's House) 6:30 PM

Motion was made by Deanna Grimes for \$50 budget for food for the December Board meeting. 2nd by Lisa Moreno. Approved 7-0 by Board.

Future Board meetings:

Jan. 8th, 2015 – Lake Station Library
Feb. 12th, 2015 – Merrillville Library

Meeting adjourned at 7:59PM