

Calumet Region Striders  
Board of Director's Meeting  
August 13th, 2015  
Minutes

**Location:** Lake County Library, Merrillville, IN

Jose Lopez	President
Lisa Moreno	Vice-President
	Treasurer
Carri Massau-Ables	Membership & Volunteers
Deanna Grimes	Public Relations
Beth Boyer	Youth Running Programs
Rosa Garcia	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: 6:10 p.m.

Absent: Pete Klaeser

Guests: None

Approval of July, 2015 Minutes: Motion made by Lisa Moreno to approve the July Minutes with the correction of a typo under Gold Cup - Tour de LaPorte it should say "maternity" leave. Seconded by Tim Brown, motion carries.

**President's Report (Jose Lopez):**

1. Jose read the report from the Apple Orchard race:

monies collected:	\$7,830.00
expenses:	\$5,653.95
profit:	\$2,176.05

2. May consider increasing membership dues to \$20.00 individual/household to absorb the fees incurred by using RunSignUp. Will discuss for next year.

3. Need to get the GTM Online store link to webmaster.

4. Need to remind members if they receive an email to claim their RunSignUp account, they need to complete the claim process in order to be properly accounted for in the CRS master roster.

### **Vice President's Report (Lisa Moreno):**

Will be focusing on Stride to be Fit 5k walk. Will get flyers copied at OE and should be in the next Newsletter. Also, Deanna will take copies of the flyer to Weight Watchers.

### **Treasurer's Report :**

1. Membership Totals:	<u>Milagro #'s</u>	<u>Jose #'s</u>
Total Households:	397	431
Total Members:	684	685
Total Gold Cup:	294	290

#### 2. Funds

    General Fund:

    Jim Cox Fund:                      Information available upon request

    Stevens-Hamilton Fund:

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

No Report

### **Gold Cup & Sponsored Race Series (Barb Hamner):**

1. Gold Cup premiums have arrived. Gold Cup premiums are here. You can get them at the Gold Cup table at every GC race going forward. We started passing them out at Rotary Ramble.

2. Buckley - 2016 cancelled due to lack of attendance. Will consider paring down the GC schedule for next year since there has been a flood of new races.

3. Clydesdale/Athena - Two runners have been placed in AG due to failure to weigh in. Races previously run will not be re-scored. FB posts, newsletter articles, and e-mails were sent as reminders.

4. Raffle winners - Implemented decision made at July meeting to pull winners and

give Strider Bucks after each race. Good response with the members.

5. Tower Run – have not heard from RD re: race apps. Hero Half race apps should be at OE. We have Panther Pounce race apps. There is no mail-in app for Tour De Laporte. Registration is online only. The mail in entry that was in the newsletter is only a flyer.

### **Public Relations (Deanna Grimes)**

1. Instagram – Deanna created an Instagram account so members can post and share race pictures. The name is @calstriders
2. We have 2,255 Facebook followers and 537 Junior Strider Facebook followers.
3. The Striders have a 15% discount code from Running Warehouse (an online store). We also received free 2 day shipping with the discount code. A discussion followed on whether if we promoted this to our club members, would it be a conflict with Platinum sponsor, Extra Mile. Jose said he would talk to Heather Henderlong about it to get her feedback before the board made a decision.

### **Youth Runner Programs (Beth Boyer)**

1. Wrap up track – they had 5 people go the USATF meet and 4 people go to the AAU meet
2. Pizza party – everyone was too busy to get together for the end of track season wrap up pizza party.
3. Cross country preview – Beth is looking into holding a USATF Grand Prix series. Also looking into offering XC 2k, 3k and 4k race on Oct. 18 and a AAU Qualifier on Nov. 8. She is looking at those dates. We are still in need of a Porter County coach. Looking to the XC practices at Oak Ridge Prairie and Rohrman Park.

### **Adult Running Program (Rosa Garcia):**

1. Rosie has been injured but wants to do a training program for the Hero Half. Beginner runner
2. Lory Adams is not being scored for her Gold Cup races. She joined the Striders at the callout meeting for the beginner runner program but later registered for the Gold Cup series at the Public Enemy race. We will discuss this matter the Treasurer and Webmaster to correct her Gold Cup scoring.

### **Nominations, Bylaws & Disabled Runners (Tim Brown):**

We had two candidates interested in the Treasurer position: Steve Lawson and Dan Koch. Both provided bios with their background information. Tim Brown read each bio to the entire board. A brief discussion followed. Each board member was handed a slip of paper with both names on it. The President opted not to vote and offered to be the tie breaker, if needed. All votes were tallied by the President. There were 4 votes for Steve Lawson and 4 votes for Dan Koch. A brief discussion followed. Because both candidates were outstanding, the board could not decide. The President decided to flip a coin: heads for Steve Lawson and tails for Dan Koch. The coin landed on tails and Dan Koch was appointed as the Treasurer until February 12, 2016.. Both candidates were notified of the outcome.

### **Membership and Volunteers (Carri Massau-Ables):**

Carri asked how many volunteers will be needed for the Stride to be Fit 5k fitness walk. We will need approximately 10 volunteers for that event.

### **Social Events (Mary Moreno):**

1. The Porter County Group Leaders will be hosting a free fun at Sunset Hill Park on October 18, 2015. They are asking for a donation to help with a picnic afterward. After a brief discussion, Jose offered to personally donate hotdogs and hamburgers for the picnic. Motion made by Lisa Moreno to spend \$60.00 towards the fun run and provide water and chips. Motion was seconded by Mary Moreno. Board approved the motion. The Striders will help promote the event and encourage our members to attend the free fun and picnic. All people in attendance are encouraged to bring a non-perishable item to be donated to the food pantry.

2. Looking at December 6, 2015 for a holiday party brunch. Mary is looking into to other facilities that are a little more affordable for families to attend.

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015