

Minutes from Board of Director's Meeting 4th September 2008

Present at Meeting: Ben Fudge, Bill Castleman, Carol Glasscock, Rachel Winter, Tanya Repka, Eric Sager, Christine Moorby, Albert Wieringa, Tom Haight

Absent: Jonathan Dunford

Others Present: MaryAnn Renfrow, Andy Horne

Minutes of last meeting:

Carol proposed an amendment to the minutes from meeting held August 8th 2008, under New Business, agenda item #10. The original business sponsors of the club to be named for future reference. These sponsors were –

Baird Realty
Fit for Life
Endurance Sports Eyewear
New Live Appliance and A/C
On the Beach Brokers

Amended minutes approved

Treasurer's Report

In Jonathan's absence, Ben presented the treasurer's report. Year to date totals showed \$6,192.53 in the general account, including a projected deposit from the profits made from the Beach Race Series of \$3,887

Of the amount in the Race Series account, it was proposed that \$2,388 be transferred back to the general account, and \$1,500 be kept in the race account.

A discussion took place over the fact that the club has two separate accounts. It was agreed that on the appointment of a new Treasurer, in January 2009, the accounts would be linked, and the Race Director of the beach race series would be given signing privileges to the account.

This motion was forwarded by Carol Glasscock and seconded by Tanya Repka.

Friday Beach Race

Eric reported that he had drafted a letter of thanks to the Sirata, and to the other sponsors of the race series. The Sirata has offered to host the event again in 2009.

Of the 96 race t-shirts purchased, only 20 were left. A total of 65 had been sold, with others being given away as raffle prizes.

Membership Update/ Renewal form

Carol reported that the club had 4 new members, all singles. The total number of active members now stands at 176.

There was a discussion over how best to ensure member emails were correct, as some emails had bounced or been listed as non-existent when entered into Constant Contact.

Maryann to try calling members to verify email addresses

Carol to send updated membership lists to Eric, Maryann, Ben and Albert.

Also discussed - the possibility of a membership directory. This idea to be discussed further with the general membership, to assess interest. Membership renewal forms to include a check box for members to indicate if they wish for their contact details to be made available.

Following on from this discussion, Eric requested permission from the Board to increase the Constant Contact payment each month by \$5 to allow for archiving of the newsletter. Approved by the Board. Tanya to help Eric with this matter.

In the future, minutes of BOD meetings to be published on the website, including financial statements. Eric, Andy and Patti to work on this.

New Coach/ Newsletter/ Website

SPRR has a new member, Becki Yore, an RRCA certified running coach. She wishes to coach members for free, towards completing 5k and 10k races included in the SPRR race series. She will attend training sessions and devise speed work sessions to coincide with the Tuesday night speed work already being undertaken by the Marathon training group.

All programs will be individualized.

SPRR race series

Races under consideration for inclusion in this year's series include –

Manatee River Run
St Pete Beach Classic
Gasparilla
Bay to Bay
Max BAYNE
Suncoast Classic
Strawberry Classic

Series to end late March/ early April, so that awards can be given out at annual picnic.

Some races to hold bonus points

Eric to contact all race directors to ask for 2 free race entries for series races, to be raffled at general membership meetings.

SPRR to look at finding a new sponsor, to provide all prizes for the upcoming race series. It was agreed that Eric would ask Fit2Run for a total race sponsorship package of \$900, in return for them advertising on race merchandise and promotional materials.

Newsletter

Albert brought it to the attention of the BOD that some of the upcoming race information advertised in the newsletter was outdated. Eric to work on updating information.

Ironman 70.3 water stop

It was agreed that the club would man a water stop at the Ironman 70.3 event, to be held in Clearwater November 8th 2008. A total of 50-60 volunteers needed, between the hours of 8am and 3pm. Those present would also be expected to help with clean up after the event.

Nominations 2009

Of the current Directors, 3 do not wish to run for office in 2009. They are Jonathan Dunford, Albert Wieringa and Tanya Repka.

Ben had received notification that 5 members were interested in running for office. They are MaryAnn Renfrow, Andy Horne, Al Johnson, Cathy Keim and Michelle D'Orio

The Board proposed that an election be held some time in November/ December. Details to be finalized at the October BOD meeting.

Christmas Party

MaryAnn reported that there would be a Christmas party, to be held at Peppins, on Wednesday 17th December.

The Social Committee will meet on September 17th, to determine the menu and discuss how to notify members about the event.

It was proposed that the meal be offered for a set price of \$25, with the club paying any excess, and providing awards.

Sean Connolly is heading up an Awards Committee, to discuss details of the awards to be given.

Guest speaker for September

Dave Theall is unable to speak at the September meeting. Some suggestions for replacement speakers include Royston Dillon (MaryAnn to speak to him), or Becki Yore, the new running coach.

As October is an open meeting, and November may be the election, the next speaker will probably be required for December. Tanya suggested that we may have a rep from Fit2Run or American Running Company to discuss running 'toys', such as GPS watches, heart rate monitors etc, in time for the holidays.

New Business

Christine proposed that we move the BOD meetings to the 2nd Thursday of each month, to be held at 5:30pm, before the general meeting. The Board agreed that this would begin in January.

Dates of next meetings

General Membership – September 11th, 6:30pm, Hospice building
BOD – October 2nd, 6pm, Fit for Life