

**St. Pete Road Runners
Board of Directors Meeting
October 13, 2011**

A meeting of the Board of Directors for the St. Pete Road Runners (SPRR) was held on Thursday, October 13, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. in the Florida Suncoast Hospice Center, located at 3050 1st Avenue S, St. Petersburg, FL. The minutes of the meeting are as follows:

A quorum was established. Board members present were: Gordon Benedict, Pam Greene, Doug Schiller, Ginger Herring, Vicki Linkovich, Stefanie Seropian, Grant Fashbaugh, Gloria Hancock, Eileen Hodges and Jerry Fowle

Absent: Karen Mathews

1. Sept 8 minutes were approved

2. Treasurer's report - Gordon

Month of Sept:

Revenue: dues of \$135, donations of \$10 and \$9,710 from the Beach Series

Expenses - \$4,298 Beach Series expenses and \$100 deposit for rental of facility for the holiday party

Beach Series races – our major fund raiser did well this year

Net profit for series of \$5412 before the profit from the sale of merchandise or new members

Excess funds in the Beach Series bank account were transferred to the main bank account leaving a balance of \$1500 in the Beach Series account.

Year to date financials reflect favorably with revenue exceeding expenses by \$8,057 (this includes the \$5412 net benefit from the Beach Series).

3. Committee reports

A. Website -Gloria

No update on web pages. Once Pancan over Gloria can make additional improvements

B. No update on membership

C. Volunteers –Stef/Eileen

Creaky Bones - Thursday, October 27; have 12 volunteers for registration would like a few more, if you volunteer you can run the race complementary

Halloween Half – need volunteers to assist with registration – Chris should be at meeting to discuss

Women’s Half – we still have not been contacted by them. Gordon has mentioned to them they need to contact us regarding volunteer needs. We may be able to provide support for the medals at the finish line. Concern is the volunteer need during this busy time.

Purple Stride – November 5; they have volunteer coordinators, so we will help but don't have to do everything

D. Guest speakers - Grant

Oct - Dr. Robert Levine, Podiatrist

Nov 10- Al Meilus, Meilus Muscular Therapy & Sports, Inc

We will have a short presentation from the St. Pete Rock ‘n’ Roll

We will also have elections for the SPRR 2012 Board of Directors

December is the Holiday Party. Grant is looking into a speaker for January, 2012. He will research a “clinic” type presentation for certain topics (yoga, chi running, Pilates, etc) for one or more meetings in 2012.

E. PR -Doug

Press releases -continuing with them, speakers, races, what our races benefit

St. Pete Times notified us that they had so many events submitted for this week; they were not able to get the notice of the October meeting into the community calendar.

F. Uniforms/equipment – Pam/Jerry

The long sleeve shirts are in. Pam will take inventory after Pancan race to see what we may need to order for the busy winter race season. We are still looking for a good vendor for men’s singlets.

Gordon has two samples for men’s visors being delivered this week. He and Pam will review to make an order. We will need before the Pancan.

4. Old business

A. Holiday Party update -Vicki

When? Saturday, December 3

Where? Windjammer Club at Coast Guard Base in St. Petersburg

Discussed catering options where one option is freshly cooked on premises and the other is prepared off-site and served on site. The difference in price when all expenses are considered (including table clothes, cutlery, plates, servers, appetizers and dessert) was over \$5 a member. The board selected the catering by Clare Kelly in order to keep costs affordable to the members.

The board decided to charge each attendee \$20 and have the club pick up the cost of the beer, wine and other expenses incurred over the \$20 charge.

The board also decided to encourage members to bring a gift for someone less fortunate than ourselves. Ginger will check with CASA to inquire about the holiday gift needs of their clients.

We will also recognize members at the event. We will have the male and female runner of the year along with the Volunteer of the Year along with other recognition that may be appropriate.

B.2012 Board Election – Ginger

Ginger thanked everyone that has agreed to serve another term.

Sean Connelly will present the nominations at the General Meeting tonight. Nominations can be made from the floor. We will vote next month.

5. New business

A. Community Liaison – Ginger

Ginger inquired about the need to have a community liaison position to be in contact and be the contact with other racing clubs, our local communities (St. Pete Beach, St. Pete, etc) and other community clubs and activities. This position would be an “ear to the ground” to ensure we are participating in those events that foster our mission. The board was in agreement that this position would bring a benefit to the club and also agreed that Ben Fudge should be asked to be our “Community Ambassador”.

B. Grand-Prix Race Series – Vicki

The race series is going to be kicked off in the near future. We have 14 races over 7 events included in this year’s line-up. A participation award will be given for racing in 4 events and the winners of the series will be the top 5 male and female runners based upon an age graded score. We are in contact with Fit 2 Run to ensure they will sponsor this event again this year.

Other New Business

Scholarships – Grant suggested as one option to consider for the scholarship initiative would include that we recognize an athlete of the month during the year. At the end of the year we award a scholarship to the “Athlete of the Year”. This will be added to the options considered by the committee when put in place.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

