ORRRC Trustee Meeting

May 13, 2021

Attendees

- Peter Qumsiyeh President
- Robert Faux Vice President
- Eddie Weaver Treasurer
- Jim Bulach Secretary
- Kevin Johnston Trustee
- Karen Gildow Trustee
- Brandon Hough Trustee
- David (Hoot) Gibson Trustee
- Beth Whitehead Member
- Jen Yoak Member



Agenda / Meeting Minutes

- Meeting called to order at 7:04 PM by Peter.
 - No new guests or members are in attendance, so there is no need to make introductions.
- April Meeting Minutes / Recording.
 - o Eddie motions to approve; Hoot second; Vote is unanimous and motion carries.
- Financials (Eddie).
 - Marathon down \$1034. Have about \$700 to \$1000 of additional expense.
 However, we are about \$5K up over last 2 years.
 - Another Dam Down \$1606
 - Account balances: Checking \$6,487; Ancillary \$500; Savings\$160,293
 (Yearly ops costs: \$365,648)
 - Trademark billing issue has been resolved for the double charge. The lawyer actually did two different actions for us, so Eddie paid it.
 - Robert motions to approve; Kevin seconds; Financials pass (one abstain Eddie).
- Funding Considerations.
 - No requests

Eddie wanted to note that Kyle Brumbaugh did not collect \$1000 for Bethel Youth Running Club. Requested last year, gave extension in September 2020. Eddie motioned that we extend the \$1000 to the end of this year for reimbursement with receipts. 2nd Brandon. Motion approved.

• Pre/Post Race Reports (Robert):

- Twin Creek virtual race was a success.
- Sugar Maple 5K was on the calendar, but was canceled due to the cancellation of the Sugar Maple Festival.
- George Rogers Clark 10K The virtual event started on May 1st and is happening now through May 24th. The course is not marked very well, so be sure to consult the website for specific route details.
- Vandalia 5K 88 participants showed up out of the 110 registered. The event was a success.
- Another Dam 50K will be happening on June 5th, but the venue has changed due to Covid permit issues. It is now being held at Caesar Ford Park (Xenia area old Blue Jacket theater venue). Because of rollovers from last year, registration is closed with no wait list. However, volunteers are needed, so please do so if available!
- Summer Solstice Half Marathon Trail Race at John Bryan State Park Still waiting for final approval from the State of Ohio. If granted, the race will take place!
- 1 Mile Dash for Cash on June 24th We do have the award money in the race budget, so Brett can proceed. The club will reimburse for cash awards after the event.
- Tie Dye 50K This event is still happening, but the date has changed from the original May date to August 21st. Entrants have been rolled over from the canceled 2020 event, so openings for new entrants will be very limited.
- Vandalia Rec Center for another race (Chelsey could not make it, so Peter covered the feedback that she received).
 - Vandalia Rec did a great job and was very supportive of the Vandalia 5K. The venue is very receptive to us adding a new race there, or we can relocate an existing race there, such as Dash for Cash, etc.
- o Gina's "200K No Way!" recommendation (via Peter).

- Since many people are still uncomfortable in crowds and the status of the 50K's are still questionable, Gina is proposing 2 options to be considered

 an in-person and virtual proponent of the challenge. Some of the preliminary thoughts of the requirements are:
 - Run 200K from May 1st through the end of the year. However, must run at least one full 50K in a single run.
 - \$25 registration fee; Quarter zips left over from last year.
 - Hoot stated that we need to specify a register-by date.
 - Peter motions to allow Gina to move forward as she proposes.
 Hoot 2^{nd.} Motion approved.
- Annual picnic (Kevin/Peter).
 - Has had the permit since February. The MetroPark confirmed today that our permit is good, so Kevin wants to move forward with securing the catering through Brock Masterson. There are two choices of menu: Burger and Dogs, which is cheaper; or a Smaller Burger and a Barbeque (either pork or beef) that cost \$2 more per person. Also, he is trying to determine what amenities he should reserve for the kids, i.e. bouncy house, games, etc. After discussion, as the race director, it is completely up to Kevin to make these decisions as he best determines in compliance with his allotted budget.
- Race communication (Peter).
 - We need to do better keeping our membership informed and presenting information, especially on the details of upcoming races and events. Facebook updates after the monthly board meetings could be a good way to do this and may be something that Jim could do. Since Robert works directly with the race directors on the specific details of their races, Jim would like a brief written synopsis from Robert to ensure that he has accurate information with no mis-interpretation when putting together the Facebook post. Karen stated the question she often gets is "when will we be going back to race day registration?" Peter believes that in-person registration should be able to resume in the very near future based upon the Governor's latest directive. Also, as long as races are small, we can go back to gun starts instead of the socially distanced single file start (or small wave starts). Each race director should make their final decision

based upon circumstances and coordination with the timing team. Eddie says that timing team prefers a gun start. Brandon suggested emails over Facebook to ensure that we reach more membership, since many members do not do social media. Monthly newsletters sent via email seems to reach people very well. Andrea has addressed this very subject in previous board meetings and recently sent a sample newsletter that would go to race directors to keep them better supported and informed. The general consensus from the board was that the newsletter looked very good and Peter will give her this feedback. Eventually, it would be very nice to have similar newsletter put together for the general membership.

- Ghost n Goblins Jen reported that the committee met and things are on track to have the event in-person on October 19th. The various logistics and the huge amount details for a successful event are actively being worked on.
- Brandon stated that he recently received word that the Outdoor Expo at Eastwood MetroPark has been canceled for 2021. The OX-12 Hour race takes place at thise festival, which means we need to find out how it will affect our event.

Board Discussions / Votes:

- RRCA Convention:
 - Kevin showed photos of swag that we gave out.
 - He also presented take-away's from the convention, which he will spread out over the next couple meetings (because there is so much). This month he will share updates on our insurance, which is a key benefit our club gains as a result of being a RRCA member. K&K carries the insurance out of Fort Wayne and were one of the presenters at the convention. The following are some of the topics, stats, and points of interest that they covered:
 - If we pay law enforcement, we should make sure that they are covered by their own insurance.
 - More volunteers have claims than any other sub-group.
 - The national RRCA paid out \$50k for sexual abuse claims.

- Look to cover automobiles if volunteers are using their own.
- 10K is the maximum amount for medical.
- Officers and trustees are covered separately.
- All equipment is covered.
- Liquor at events, if not charged extra, incidents will be covered.
- Insurance does not cover track and field events.
- Cyber-attacks are covered up to \$250K.
- No overnight events are covered.
- Must ensure membership roster is up to date to have everyone covered.
- o 2022 Convention (Peter).
 - This convention will also be held in Orlando, FL. 64th RRCA National Convention. We normally send three individuals and it would be beneficial to make the decision in the June meeting to keep costs down through advanced bookings.
- Peter announced that Doug Picard has resigned from the board due to commitments to other obligations. He will still be the race director for the Lou Cox 5K at DeWeese Park.
- ORRRC Store (Eddie).
 - We are looking at different avenues for selling ORRRC merchandise. We have an existing contract with Runners Plus from years ago, where they can setup a store to sell our ORRRC merchandise. We would need to establish pricing and details. The other option that we have is to do a store on Square, which would be more work. The easiest way would be for Runners Plus to do this, if we wish to pursue. It would require a contract. It would be a good way to get our merchandise out there. To keep our members engaged with the club, we could also have design contests. If we seem to have a positive consensus, we would need to have someone own it. We will revisit this next month to make actual decisions.

Shoe collection bins (Kevin).

O Handed out info flyer on Sneakers 4 Funds (non-profit company). He discovered them at the RRCA convention. Will be no cost to us, but will pay for bags of shoes to bring in revenue for our club. Would have bags at races if race directors wish to do this for us. The board will look over the material and do some research for a further discussion and a decision at next months meeting. Hoot says he will look them up to get more details of their credibility and any possible issues.

Race photography (Peter).

- We received the sad news that Tracy is stepping down as our race photographer. Eddie stated that someone else has already expressed an interest in doing this at the same rates that we have already been paying - - See Stories Media Company. Eddie will send a link for the board to review. Eddie will also solicit other bids and put a post on Facebook to let our membership know of the opportunity.
- To ensure race photo coverage at the upcoming Another Dam 50K at Caesar Ford Park, Kevin made the motion that we pay \$200 to See Stories Media Company to do that particular event. Robert 2nd Motion carries with Eddie abstaining.

Around the Room:

- Brandon Still needs to get shirts/medals in the mail for Xenia.
- Kevin Will contact Barry Staff to get idea of future availability of their facility for board meetings.
- Robert Run Ohio newspaper spotlights running clubs. They did us in 2018, but would like to pursue again. We can also make our race calendar available there.
 There is no cost.
- Hoot Thinking of sending thank you emails to the 156 runners who paid for the Marathon two years ago but did not donate their entry to the club last year and did not use their deferral this year.
- Karen At the Vandalia 5K, which was a members-only race, there were children
 who ran it, but were not members. We need to give thought on how to handle
 this in the future, especially when it is viewed from an insurance coverage
 perspective.

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 PM