

ORRRC Trustee Meeting

October 14, 2021



Attendees

- Peter Qumsiyeh – President & RD
- Robert Faux – Vice President & RD
- Eddie Weaver – Treasurer & RD
- Jim Bulach – Secretary & RD
- David (Hoot) Gibson – Trustee & RD
- Kevin Johnston – Trustee & RD
- Karen Gildow – Trustee & RD
- Brandon Hough - Trustee
- Andrea Van Sickle – Twin Creek & Broken Toe Race Director
- Jen Yoak – GnG Co-Race Director
- Margaret Hurley – Turkey Trot Co-Race Director
- Larry Chow – MOX Race Director

Agenda / Meeting Minutes

- Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM by Peter.
 - Had attendees introduce themselves, along with their role and association with the club.
- October Meeting Minutes.
 - Eddie motions to approve the September Meeting Minutes; Hoot seconds; Motion passes (one abstain – Jim).
- Financial Reports (Eddie).
 - Accounts: Checking \$32,282.11; Ancillary \$505.61; Savings \$124,423.96 Total all accounts: \$157,211.68 (*Est. Yearly ops costs: \$365,648*)
 - *Notes:*

- MISSING GMR PAYMENTS

There are \$6,575.12 in missing payment from End Result and GMR from the month of September. From 3 September through 17 September, End Result failed to distribute payments to our accounts. I have contacted Kathy Robbins to work with End Result and GMR to figure out where that money went. A few possibilities:

- *(a) they had ACH issues with the payments (most likely scenario)*
- *(b) they simply failed to distribute the funds*

- *(c) they attempted to collect on a bill from the Marathon, which was previously resolved. This is the least likely scenario, as the amounts do not match up.*

I will keep everyone apprised about this situation as it develops.

- OX12 SALES CHARGE TAXES

The company that the OX12 RD contracted-with to provide shirts and medals charged us sales tax inappropriately, *despite being given the tax exemption documentation twice*. The company, *Running Awards and Apparel*, claimed they will refund the charges next week.

- Peter motions to approve; Jim seconds; Approval of financial reports pass (one abstain Eddie).
- Funding Considerations.
 - None for this month
- Pre-Race Reports (Robert):
 - Narrows 10K – to be held 11/7/2021 (Danny Sullivan)
 - Could use more volunteers.
 - Will have some special awards, where he will have some runners start off 5 minutes before the race start. If the lead runner catches them, then there will be a special prize for catching them on the trail.
 - Will contact local EMS and obtain refreshments closer to race date.
 - Ghost n Goblins (Jen Yoak)
 - We are 899 registered at this point, with 162 of those registering in the last week.
 - With later registrations, the ordering of shirts is more challenging. If we run out of shirts due to late race-day registrations, then we will give out 2019 shirts to ensure everyone gets a shirt.
 - Received the fortune cookies earlier today as one of the post race snacks. They have very cool sayings, such as join ORRRC, Run Turkey Trot, etc.
 - Peter ordering pizza.
 - Dan Thompson doing his magic with timing packets.
 - Awards came today.
 - Norm Sawdey's posts and reach out has definitely helped with volunteers, donations and door prizes. Much appreciated!
 - Weather looks perfect and very excited to have the race!

- Turkey Prediction – Vote for location change (Robert).
 - Wants to move from Kettering Rec Center to Twin Tower Park in Greene County.
 - Eddie motions to approve; Kevin seconds with reservation due to the possibility of being too cold without a heated facility; Location change approved (Robert abstained).
- Turkey Trot (Margaret Hurley)
 - Have just over 2,100 people registered, which is very low at this point before the race. Hoping this increases! Hearing that most races are about 50% down this year compared to the past.
 - Volunteers going well.
 - Offering live and virtual options this year. If doing virtual, must sign up before November 12 to ensure stuff gets mailed in time to be received by Thanksgiving.
 - It is the same course we have used for the past few years with a very minor change at the finish, which Greg got the City of Miamisburg to approve this past week.
 - Next shirt fitting is October 24th at Runner's Plus from Noon to 2 pm.
 - The RD's are requesting that everyone put the word out and get people to sign up for this great event!
- Broken Toe 50K (Andrea Van Sickle)
 - Moving to a different date (December 4th) due to a conflict with the parking lot because of soccer field usage. In the future, will probably keep it at a later date to eliminate conflicts with soccer season and the Renaissance Festival.
 - I have obtained permits for parking on the new date, but have not received approval from the Park yet. In process.
 - Once the park permit is approved, she will open up registration. There are 3 people already registered from the original registration.
 - She wants to know if the club has reusable cups, so that she set it up as a cupless race. There are some in the shed, so will look into possibly offering those.
 - She is also setting up port-a-potties. She will make sure that they are present at the Broken Toe.

- Post-Race Reports (Robert):

- Stillwater 7 – held on 9/11/2021 with 54 participants (Jim Bulach)
 - The race was a success with lots of good positive feedback. Attendance was up by 22 runners (a 69% increase) over last year. Attendance was very similar to 2019 levels. The Miami County Park District was awesome to work with and did not charge for this year's permit, which allowed the race to come in \$50 under budget! I'm considering the possibility of moving the race to another weekend next year. The Winan's to Winan's Half Marathon takes place the following day and pulls from my attendance. On the flip side, I do get additional non-running volunteers, who come out to help with the race but do not want to run because of the race the following day.
- Germantown 50K – held on 9/26/21 with 59 participants (Pete and Kathy Shafer)
 - The 50K race date had to be changed from the original planned date to the day after due to a scheduling mistake made by a MetroPark employee. The course was marked the day before the race. We had several excellent volunteers:
 - Course Markers: Lawrence Chow, Rebekah Taylor
 - Timing Team: Gina Gagliano, Dan Thompson, Marilouise Beeman, Alex Arestides
 - Registration: Karen Gildow, Marilouise Beeman
 - Food and Water Delivery to Aid Stations: Greg Bell, Margaret Hurley
 - Course Marshal: Kathleen Tiller
 - Course Preview: Dan Cross
 - Aid Stations: Jason Sullivan, Randy Kreill, Tom Tiller, Kathleen Tiller, Ron Brower, Margaret Hurley, Greg Bell, Mike Hill, Deb Whitecar, Julian Whitecar, Lawrence Chow, Rebekah Taylor
 - Course Sweeper: Tom Helfinstine
 - The weather was perfect; sunny and 55 at the start. The trails were in excellent condition but we did change the route slightly to avoid extremely muddy and/or flooded areas. We had 72 registered, plus 2 on race day. 59 started, 53 finished, 6 DNF, 15 DNS. The winner finished in 4 hours, 1 minute; which is close to the course record. We allowed 3 early starters and they all finished before the cut-off time. We had finisher hats, age

group awards, and top 3 male and female awards. We feel confident in passing the torch to Rebekah Taylor and Clare Whitecar to direct the Germantown 50K 2022.

- Outdoor X12 Hour Endurance – October 2nd. (Lawrence Chow)
 - Everything went very well. He capped the race to 125 and had 95 register. There were 39 no-shows and 53 participants finished the event.
 - In general, everyone had a blast and the weather was perfect.
 - Bees and yellow jackets presented a few issues at aid stations.
 - Volunteers were awesome.
 - Entertainment – A huge shout out to Gerald and Nathan who provided live entertainment (at no charge) to help give the event a more festival-like atmosphere. It was a nice surprise.
- Cross Country 5K - held on 10/9/2021 with 35 participants (Dan Cross & Lawrence Chow)
 - The race went very well.
 - Course marking was excellent with no complaints from the participants.
 - Planning to return and hold the race in the same week next year.
- Board Discussions / Votes:
 - Purchasing Paper Cups and Clock Batteries (Eddie)
 - Ed Wallace gets cups pretty cheap. Even though we are not completely low, we may not have availability to get them in the future.
 - Also, we need to have batteries purchased to replace the weak ones in the 1-sided clocks. We use these clocks at the Turkey Trot mile markers and the Splash n Dash, in addition to periodically renting them out to other organizations.
 - Peter motions to approve the funding to purchase paper cups up to a cost of \$500 and batteries with a ceiling of \$1,200; Robert seconds; Motion passes (one abstain – Eddie).
 - Hall of Fame Awards Dinner (Peter)
 - Thought it was great to have someone from the club to represent us. This year, it was Peter and Kevin. Next year, it would be good for other board members to go to represent us.
 - ORRRC Apparel is on the website. (Peter)

- Much appreciation to Kevin in working with Eric at Runners Plus to get this on the go.
 - Budget Committee (Eddie)
 - Will need to establish this committee, which is normally picked by a cross section of some of the club's members.
 - The committee will put together a proposed budget for 2022 and then bring it to the board for approval.
 - Race Calendar (Eddie)
 - The race directors for next year need to be contacted to firm up their commitment and race dates for the calendar. The actual responsibility for this falls under the club's secretary, along with help from the club's VP, who is the main contact for race director communication. Kathy Robbins does a great job creating the calendar, but needs information provided in a timely manner. For the calendar to be completed on time, approval of dates should be done at the November meeting.
 - Jim stated that since he is completely new to this, he reached out to Kathy to better understand the process and get her guidance. He learned that she basically does pretty much everything and plans to be at the November meeting to present info. To help with the burden, Jim offered to help (if she wants it) in anyway that he can.
- Around the Room:
 - Jen – One more thing on GnG, even though numbers are up, we could be losing a little money due to fixed costs.
 - Brandon – Will probably be stepping off the board at the end of the year. He and his wife is expecting a baby and he is pursuing his graduate degree. However, he does want the club to know that there will always be a spot for us at the Air Force Marathon Expo!
 - Robert – Trying to setup the first meeting for the Xenia Marathon committee within the next couple weeks. He is trying to get a room to hold the meeting at the Xenia Y.
 - Hoot – Spent time going through the policies and regulations for the club. There is a huge amount of stuff there. Eddie has done fantastic work. Will be trying to spend some time with Eddie to help him out.
 - Kevin – At the hall of fame dinner, Peter did a great job there. Sale going on by Leslie Jordan on shirts and hoodies. Also, he is not happy that the in-person

meetings have gone away, especially since we had a venue setup for this meeting. Peter stated that there was a timing issue with the library and it's closing hours. To determine the plan moving forward, Peter will reach out to the board members for a vote on their preference for meetings (in-person or virtual) during the winter months.

- Eddie – All of our photos for the past 3 years are on the website, so those not on Facebook can now see them. Scholarships – there were only 3 applicants, so there is no need for the board to vote. Policies and Regulations – will be setting up a meeting for those that want to participate to get the updates drafted. Calendar – he believes that it would be a good idea to include a free race entry, which can help boost our membership as recipients experience and see the value of the club.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:27 PM