

Colonial Road Runners Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 4, 2013

Meeting began at 7:23 PM at Ken and Brenda Mitchell's home

Present: Rick Platt, Stan Rockwell, Brenda Mitchell, Greg Dawson Bob Walker, Jim Winthrop, Steve Menzies, Will Murray, Jim Goggin, and Daniel Shaye

Absent: Randy Hawthorne, Ron Henn, Mike McDonald, and Jennifer Quarles

1. Rick reviewed CRR's participation in the Run for the Dream Expo.
2. The CRR finish line electric timer clock was repaired by a member of the Tidewater Striders.
3. Jim Goggin, chair of the scholarship committee, presented the four applicants. Funding available was reviewed. Motion was made and passed unanimously to award \$500 to each of the applicants – Kurtis Steck, Devon and Tia Mearns, and Gaylin Glueck. The Queen's Lake 5K will remain the CRR Scholarship race. Steve Menzies may co-chair the committee next year with Jim Goggin. Jim G. will take care of presentations this year.
4. Rick reported that CRR is switching bank accounts from the Bank of America to Old Point National which has a better deal for nonprofits. Greg discussed the CRR teams and funding including money won at Run for the Dream.
5. Rick reported on race scheduling. There are a couple of organizations interested in sponsoring races and there are possibly available dates. W&M Homecoming 5K will take place this year on the cross country course. Stonehouse Elementary is interested in a 5K on the Stonehouse course. King of Glory Pre-school is interested in the 8K at Ford's Colony. The Crawling Crab Half Marathon will be on the first Saturday in October for the foreseeable future. Jim Elder may direct the Sleighbell 5K this year. CRR may possibly affiliate with the Colonial Half Marathon and with the Single Track Maniac 50K next year. Concern was expressed about volunteers with the increasing number of races. The Grand Prix rules may need to be revised as well. Rick has also spoken with Ellen at JCC about putting accurate mile markers at Warhill and the Rec Center bike path with CRR recognition.
6. Brenda reported on membership. She is still updating email addresses and will send out an email to members with the membership form attached. The form is also on the CRR website. The next meeting will address increasing the family membership fee and look at online registration of membership. Stan has sent out information on this to board members and also brought it up at the annual meeting. A list of entities that give CRR members discounts is needed for the web site.
7. Terry McManus has agreed to be the newsletter editor. Rick wants to maintain a paper newsletter with the goal of 200 mailings to maintain the bulk mail postal rate. The newsletter can be converted to a .PDF and emailed. He does not want it freely available on the web site. [One possibility that can be discussed next meeting is putting the content on the online blogger newsletter after the

- subsequent issue has gone out. This would save space on the server and would make old issues available to everyone.]
8. The Walsingham 5K course has been certified. The goal is to have all the CRR road courses USATF certified.
 9. Jeff Fry and Alisa Spangler-Miller have agreed to sell CRR clothing at races. Steve Menzies has agreed to take pictures of the items for the web site. There would be a form on the site for people to print and mail to Rick who would fill the order. Stan suggested an online store and has sent information out on this. Other area clubs use the same company. It would automate the process and again save server space as well as labor.
 10. There was continued discussion on Runner Friendly City status. This is still being pursued. Will Murray will follow up with Paul Freihling on status. Criteria from RRCA for Runner Friendly Community include: *These communities have shown that they meet the program's criteria, which includes community infrastructure, community support, and local government support for running. Each community has an infrastructure that can foster physical activity in a safe environment; a proven track record that organizations and businesses work together to promote running as a healthy exercise and sport; and positive relationships between the running community and local government.* Full criteria can be found at <http://www.rrca.org/programs/runner-friendly-community/>. Info on runner friendly businesses is at <http://www.rrca.org/programs/runner-friendly-community/business/>. Communities are listed at <http://www.rrca.org/programs/runner-friendly-community/official/>.
 11. Jim Winthrop has reviewed the finish line management agreement we use. There was some discussion on maintaining names of specific races.
 12. Stan will look at getting space at the Williamsburg Regional Library so that there is a set time, place, and date for each meeting. This will facilitate public announcement of the meetings.
 13. Race flyer distributors picked up flyers.
 14. Minutes from the last meeting were approved.
 15. The meeting ended at approximately 9:10 PM.

Submitted by, Stan Rockwell

Next meeting will be September 3 at 7 PM tentatively at WRL.