Colonial Road Runners Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 3, 2013 Meeting began at 7:00 PM at Williamsburg Regional Library, Room B

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

Absent: Randy Hawthorne, Ron Henn, and Jennifer Quarles

- Review of races. All for the rest of this year have been confirmed. Governor's Land will be the RRCA 5K VA championship race. W&M Homecoming will be directed by Lafayette HS. Jim Elder and Colonial Sports will direct the Sleighbell 5K. For next year, CRR teams may direct the York River State Park 5K either in conjunction with Spirit Works or in lieu of. Rick and Greg will further investigate. The date is the Saturday before Labor Day.
- 2. Greg reported on CRR teams. Syracuse is coming up. Not much recruiting yet. It is the same week as the Crawling Crab Half in Hampton. There is also the 12K championship in Arlington, VA on 11/15. Teams may focus on this due to lower travel cost.
- 3. Future possible Grand Prix races: Warhill March of the Lions request from both Regina Troy and Dan Stebbins for inclusion in the Grand Prix. The race is the first Saturday in March and is mostly a cross country course. Dan designed and measured the course. Salute to the Military 5K may or may not come back due to ongoing sequestration. Achievable Dream will be back next year. The Vineyards may be moved to a morning race to lessen the chance of postponement due to lightning.
- 4. No further progress reported on obtaining runner friendly status from RRCA.
- 5. Mike MacDonald is the CRR bike leader for races. He assists race directors by sweeping the course before and after races, takes out stop watches for split times, and leads the race. He also helps with measuring courses for USATF certification. Brandon Harris is also a course certifier. The goal is to have all CRR races that are not cross country to be USATF certified.
- 6. Jeff and Christine Fry and their son and Alisa Spangler-Miller have agreed to sell CRR clothes at races. Christine and her son sold \$75 worth at the Vineyards. Steve Menzies will take pictures of CRR clothes and write descriptions which Stan will put on the web site. Individuals will order from Rick. Rick will check with Colonial Sports to see if items can be ordered directly from Colonial Sports. The decision was made to not pursue other online options.
- 7. Rick reported on the conflict of interest update. He said that Randy stated that since the club revenue is under \$25,000 a year, the form is not required but is recommended. Jim W. will check with PTC and the Tidewater Striders to see what they do and address this at the next meeting. The decision was that as a best practice the CRR will adopt a conflict of interest policy with forms to be on the web site and to be signed by all officers and board members. Rick also checked with Goody Tyler of RRCA who also recommended adopting the policy and

form. Rick stated that other issues concerning the club, according to Goody, are considered by RRCA to be internal matters to be resolved by the club.

- 8. There is a first draft of the newsletter by Terry McManus. No specific date on release. The first will be a "catch-up" since the last issue, then resume on a regular basis.
- 9. Brenda presented a membership list. Currently we have 150 paid memberships. Brenda will let Terry know who wants to help with the newsletter. She is also sending out renewal notices two months before a membership expires. She is also following up with those who have not been heard from in a long time. We have added a request for a stamped self addressed envelop to the membership form to defray costs of sending out the cards. Colonial Sports will need to see the cards for member discounts. We have also received \$265 for the scholarship fund in donations. Jim G. reported that pictures of this year's recipients of the scholarships were in the VA Gazette in August. Brenda and Stan are also looking at making membership, both new and renewal, available online as PTC does.
- 10. There is no treasurer's report. This only occurs at the annual meeting. Currently the club has four accounts.
- 11. Stan gave a website update. We lost our hosting by TriDuo, which has left the hosting business. He found an alternative with Grassroots.org/ which helps nonprofits with an agreement with Bluehost.com to provide hosting at no cost.
- 12. Minutes from the last meeting were approved via motion by Jim W.
- 13. The meeting ended at approximately 8:15 PM.

Submitted by, Stan Rockwell

Next meeting will be the first Tuesday in December at 7 PM at WRL, Room B.