

RR BOARD MEETING Minutes – 7/14/19

In attendance:

Marcy Foster, President
Mike McCord, Vice President
Mary Goebel, Director of Walking Programs
John Koss, Secretary
Catherine Nelson, Member at Large
Pablo Raffo, Member at Large
Mary Shedlock, Treasurer
Jack Tozier, Member at Large

Old Business

Liability waiver: John checked online with Loudoun County Road Runners and DCRR, and there was no mention of a liability waiver for guests. Reston Bicycle Club does have a waiver to be signed online by nonmembers before they join a ride. *John will forward language for a liability waiver based on the one included with club membership renewals to Jack for posting on the Web site.* A notice will be posted on the website asking guests to agree to the waiver before joining Reston Runners on any runs. Dependent on practicality, the names of persons agreeing to it, and electronic signature will be logged.

Green Jacket award: Jack has compiled our records of Green Jacket awardees and posted the information on the Web site,

Publicity: We have decided not to place a Reston Runners advertisement in the RA circular. Instead of placing business cards with Reston Runners information at Potomac River Running (PRR), we will ask PRR if we can leave RR flyers. Susan Jones (in the Womens' Training Program) created a two-sided flyer describing RR and we would like to place copies of that flyer at PRR and other locations.

Weekend Potlucks: Catherine will host a potluck on September 14th.

Documenting descriptions of duties for Club annual events and programs. Catherine and Cailin have started to solicit descriptions of program plans and records from current program leads. The descriptions will be posted on the Club's Google documents repository.

10 weeks to 10K program: John and Julia Low are co-leads. There are more than 60 registrants. There was a request for pictures of the program, especially pictures showing the participants. *Marcy will handle recognition for the prior program lead.*

2020 Annual Meeting: The Reston Community Center has been reserved for February 15th.

New Business:

Holiday Party: Mike McCord and Donna Rostant have proposed having the holiday party at their house on December 7th (they have a conflict on December 14th.)

Succession Planning: There was a suggestion to add this topic as a regular item to discuss at each Board meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Mary has filed the Club's 2018 taxes. The accountant prepared the return pro bono, but is no longer active with Reston Runners. Next year, the charge for tax return preparation will be \$500, unless the Club finds a member qualified to file the return, and willing to do

it pro bono. The Board agreed that it would be best to find a qualified member willing to prepare the return.

Membership Auto-renewal: The suggestion was made to add an auto-renew feature to membership renewals; after discussing this idea, the Board decided not to do so, because of the anticipated challenges and complexity that would accompany the auto-renew process.

Women's Training Program: After several years of leading the program, Molly Barrie wishes to step down, and a new program lead will be needed. The WTP makes substantial efforts to collect feedback from its participants, and the feedback should be available to include in the program documentation that Cailin and Catherine are collecting.

Youth In Motion: The program is underway with about 160 youth participating. There may have been a post-program survey in previous years; and it is recommended that one be provided to current year participants when the program ends. *John will discuss with Joan and Mae.*

Course Discussion: The Course Committee meets during the following week. It is desired to have greater overlap between the Board and the Course Committee. The minutes from the Course Committee indicate the start location of each run but not which course will be used; sometimes there are several possible courses with the same start location.

Starts at Reston Town Center near the fountain have become problematic. Security guards are constantly surveilling the area and don't like our water coolers and cups being left at the start while we are running.

It was noted that some Club members will run longer distances on Saturday on weekends when the weather forecast for Sunday is adverse. The idea of scheduling increased water support for those Saturdays was raised. It was determined that increased water support for longer distances than the advertised distance on Saturday would be up to each individual.

Pool Party: The pool party is scheduled for August 3rd. Jack created a sign-up genius page, both for RSVPs and to request assistance with setup, cleanup, and bartending. This year's Grill Team includes Young, Dennis, John Nusbaum, and Charles Foster. Both John and Pablo have provided a summary of Grill Team supply needs and timeline.

Water support: Catherine has assumed duties as the Sunday hydration coordinator. She is planning to create a Sign Up Genius to track volunteer slots. Additional Gatorade has been ordered. Catherine is determining which volunteers have the Club's water coolers.

Labor Day Hike: *Marcy will check with Ellen and Kevin on whether another hike can be planned for Labor Day this year.*

The Runners Marathon of Reston (RMR) had a great year. The race committee is meeting on Thursday, July 18th.

Future meeting schedule: meetings will generally occur every other month, after weekend morning runs (at 9:30 if on a Saturday, and 2 hours and 15 minutes after the start if on a Sunday.) The schedule is: September 7th, 9:30; and November 3rd, 10:15.