

**TIDEWATER STRIDERS BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**Minutes for November, 2004 Meeting**

Ron Jones called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m. at the Virginia Beach Neptune Festival office in Virginia Beach. All board members present.

Guests included Dick Kole, Ally Spears, and Martin Snyder.

The minutes of the October 2004 Board meeting were approved as amended.

President: Deadlines and Notices: President requested chairpersons submit inventory of equipment to him. Bee will audit inventory. Race schedules for 2005 are due tonight. Request all to meet and greet the candidates for the new board at the Turkey Trot Race. Next board meeting will be on December 12<sup>th</sup>.

### **OFFICERS REPORTS**

**President's/Vice President's Report:** Two new events cleared for 2005: the 10 mile run at Ft. Story leading up to the Rock N Roll Half Marathon (not to be a race but a group run), and the Army Navy Challenge to be run on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in December. Both are Strider Races.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Dan presented the Treasurer's report.

#### ***Old Business***

1. Discussion of Strategic Objectives: A meeting was held on the 25<sup>th</sup> of October. Results of the meeting were referred to an ad hoc committee to make recommendations to the Board. Mel Williams chairs this committee.
2. Web site committee met and ad cost were reviewed. Report on cost will be at next meeting.
3. Tidewater Striders' 2005 draft budget. Dan Edwards presented the 2005 proposed budget and reviewed how he calculated the new figures. Motion by Bee Andrews to adopt the new budget was seconded by Mike Hillinch, and passed unanimously.

#### ***New Business***

1. Motion by Martin Snyder from the Membership committee to Change the Golden Runner program passed 10 yeas and 2 nays (Bryan Davis and Mike Hillinch). Details as follows:
  1. Golden Runner membership, either purchased, complimentary or Lifetime, will be only accepted at the Tidewater Strider club races. All races in which the Tidewater Striders have been contracted for services will **not** be included in this membership.
  2. The cost of the adult Golden Runner Membership will be \$80. Current club races are listed below.
  3. The cost for an adult Golden Runner Membership with additional Family member(s) living at the same address will be \$20.
  4. The cost of the Youth Golden Runner Membership will be \$40.
  5. No additional family members can be added to a Youth Golden Runner membership.
  6. Complimentary Golden Runner members will be current Board of Directors, Executive Director, major committee chairs, Rundown Editor, webmaster, race director(s) for

Tidewater Strider Club Races. A Board member can nominate other members for complimentary GR.

7. All complimentary Golden Runner memberships will start in February and run through January of the next year with the exception of Race Directors. Race Director complimentary Golden Runner membership will run from the month after their race for 12 consecutive months.
8. Golden Runners will be required to pre-register for all races.

Current Club Race:

X-Country 5K Challenge

Elizabeth River Run 10K

Tom Bashara 5K

Woman's Distance Fest 5K

Turkey Trot 10K

Distance Series Tune-up Series

Adult cover either distance races or the 10K events

Youth covers only 10K event

Rock and Roll 10 mile tune-up

Army-Navy 10K

Strider Mile

Summer Series

2. Motion by Mel Williams and seconded by Bee Andrews for the Board-approved minutes be placed on the Tidewater Strider Website within three (3) days of approval passed unanimously.
3. Motion by Mel Williams seconded by Mike Hillinch that the Race Committee assume the responsibilities of the Executive Director until such time that a new Executive Director is contracted by the Board of Directors or until the position is eliminated passed unanimously with one abstention, Tommy Neesen.
4. Motion by Mike Hillinch, Committee Chair, Tidewater Strider Board of Directors; Code of Ethics Committee seconded by Bee Andrews passed with 11 yeas and 1 nay (Victoria Nicholls) as amended:
  1. Board members are to be honest and trust worthy.
  2. Board members are to be loyal to the club.
  3. Board members should demonstrate friendly and courteous relations with other board members as well as the general membership.
  4. Board members shall not maliciously injure the reputation of other board members or defame their character.
  5. Any information disclosed in an Executive Session meeting is to be kept completely confidential.
  6. A member shall not knowingly release misleading information or information which affects the club adversely.
  7. Board members shall not use any confidential information acquired at a meeting for personal gain.
  8. Board members will not practice, tolerate, nor condone discrimination on the basis of age, race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or disability. Sexual harassment of any form will not be tolerated.
  9. Every communication of information to the Board must be accurate to the best of your knowledge and belief.
  10. Board members will safeguard club equipment and treat it properly.

Violations of the Code of Ethics will be reported to the president and/or vice-president to be acted upon. Serious violations would be referred to the full Board of Directors or an Ad Hoc committee that would recommend consequences for the violation.

5. Motion by Mel Williams seconded Bee Andrews was withdrawn.
6. Motion by Mel to extend meeting by 10 minutes passed unanimously
  
7. Motion by Victoria Nicholls for Walking Committee: Add or modify the walkers Grand Prix rules in the appropriate categories was deferred until next meeting.

### ***Committee Reports***

Adjourn Meeting at 8:36PM

Respectfully Submitted,  
Nick May, Secretary