

Tidewater Striders
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
February 6, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Steve Shapiro at 6:30 pm at the Neptune Office in Virginia Beach. The following Board members were in attendance: Steve Shapiro, Dan Edwards, Randy Cook, Jennifer Cowell, James Dare, Deb Redmond, Marie Price, Drew Midland, Stephanie Manny, Tim Robinson, and Gene Edwards. Tom Randolph was absent.

Minutes correction: The April BOD meeting will be at the Neptune Office and not at the Joint Use Library.

President's Report:

Steve Shapiro said that the Distance Series at Fort Monroe went well and that Distance Series #3 is coming up at Dismal Swamp on February 18th. He reported that the signups for the annual banquet on February 11th are going well and almost every Board member will be attending. Finally, a proxy vote for the Tidewater Striders was given to Goody Tyler for the RRCA convention coming up.

Vice President's Report: Steve reported for Tom that Tom presented the Super Grand Prix awards at the Colonial Road Runners banquet and will be presenting Super GP awards to Striders at our upcoming banquet.

Treasurer's Report: The report by Dan Edwards was accepted.

Committee Reports:

Audit: Tim Robinson will be reviewing our account in the near future.

Awards: Barb Mathewson has the awards in hand for the banquet.

Budget: The budget for the coming year has been approved.

Grand Prix: Marie Price and Tim Robinson are working with J&A on the scoring system.

Hall of Fame: The new class will be inducted on February 11th at the banquet.

Membership: Strider membership ended in January, 2017 with 1472 members and that was two less than the 1474 we ended with the previous month and behind the 1554 members we had one-year ago at this time. There were 59 members that lapsed as of February 1st. Therefore, we began February with 1414 members or 24 members less than the beginning of January at 1438. We have 47 members with expiring memberships lapsing on March 1st.

Race: Drew Midland said that Green Flash brewery is on board to sponsor the Strider Mile on June 24th.

Teams: Gene Edwards is forming men's and women's teams for the J&A Corporate 5K in May. He still needs some fast male runners to win the team title.

Old Business:

- 1) **Strategic Plan:** Steve will be circulating a draft executive summary letter as well as the final action plan for the board's review. This will then be placed on the website for member review for approximately 30 days. After 30 days review, the board will take action on adoption of the strategic plan.
- 2) **Club Race Photo's:** Ada Lester has requested that the Board discuss her plan to do photos at Strider races for a fee. The race committee has suggested this be at the Race Director's discretion as it may be difficult to budget for some club races. The proposal will be reevaluated at the March Board meeting.

New Business:

- 1) The list of committee chairs for 2017 was presented to the Board. A motion was made and seconded to accept the list of chairs. It was passed unanimously.
- 2) Discussion was held on the Elizabeth River Run. Since the Striders will be working with J&A Racing a paid race director will no longer be needed. Brian Sagedy and his committee of volunteers for the ERR were commended for their hard work the past several years and it is hoped that they would continue to help in any way possible.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Randy Cook, Secretary