

**Tidewater Striders**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**November 6, 2017**

The meeting was called to order by President Steve Shapiro at 6:45 pm at the Joint Use Library in Virginia Beach. The following Board members were in attendance: Steve Shapiro, Tom Randolph, Dan Edwards, Randy Cook, Jennifer Cowell, Deb Redmond, Marie Price, Tim Robinson, and Gene Edwards. Absent were Drew Midland and Stephanie Manny. Jim Dare arrived late.

**President's Report:** Steve said that he understood that the volunteer party held November 5<sup>th</sup> went very well with 65 in attendance. The December Board meeting will be December 10<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. at Steve's home. Jean Phelan will be the co-race director, with Steve, for the Striders Distance Series. Lori Sherwood will be taking the lead on tabulating the Board election results.

**Vice-President's Report:** Tom reported that the Seashore 50K is the last race in the Super Grand Prix.

**Treasurer's Report:** A motion was made, seconded, and passed 9-0-1 to approve Timothy Robinson as an additional check signer with full access to all the club's bank accounts including Bank of America checking, Towne Bank checking and certificates of deposit, and the Xenith Bank money market account.

**Committee Reports:**

Audit: Tim is going through the books.

Awards: Barb Mathewson is working on the annual awards for the banquet and needs nominations for the various categories.

Budget: There was a discussion on the budget for 2018. Jim Dare volunteered to serve on a budget committee with Dan and Tim and possibly Deb Redmond.

Elections: The nominations for the Board election closed at the volunteer party on Sunday. There are 7 candidates for 6 positions. Those running are: Marie Price, Drew Midland, James Martin, Steve Shapiro, William Tallent, Stacin Martin, and Tim Westfall.

Grand Prix: Tim needs the results from the Wicked 10K so he can update the grand prix standings. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the 2018 Grand Prix race schedule proposed by Tim and Marie Price.

Hall of Fame: Bee has received 4 new nominations in addition to 3 carry overs. The voting takes place in December.

Marketplace: Dwight Kane has agreed to work at the Strider's booth if we can get one for Harbor Lights. In addition, we plan to have a booth at the Shamrock expo.

Membership: Tidewater Striders membership ended October with 1517 members, up from Septembers 1494 and ahead of the 1458 from one-year ago. We had 56 Striders lapse as of November 1st, so we begin November with the same number we started October with, 1461.

Policies and Procedures: Jim Dare presented the P&Ps for the Mel Williams Ground Pounder award. A motion was made, seconded, and passed by 9-0 and 1 abstention to approve the new P&P, it will be forwarded to Steve Speirs to be placed on the website. Tom Randolph needs the updated P&Ps from the Walking Committee so they can be posted online.

Public Relations: Dan recommended purchasing magnets with the Striders logo. Gene Edwards had business cards made to be passed out to prospective members.

Race: Turkey Trot is the main focus and registration is behind previous years. There will be finishing medals and long sleeve t shirts. Help is needed to set up the Strider's "arch" on race day. Registration is now open for the Resolution Run on January 1<sup>st</sup> and the Distance Series.

Scholarship: Jim reported that everything is up to date and all winners have been paid through first semester.

Steve would check with others to see if they are paying this fee.

Teams: There were 21 Striders who competed in the Yorktown 10 Mile. Our team lost to PTC and the Colonial Road Runners.

Triathlon: We are still trying to sell the trailer used at our triathlons.

Website: Steve Speirs wants to turn over the website by Thanksgiving.

## **Old Business**

- 1) Discussion was held on whether to pay the music license fee to ASCAP as recommended by the RRCA. The BOD decided that Steve would check with J&A to see if they are paying this fee. More to follow. This item will be discussed again at the December Board meeting.
- 2) Communications Director: Wendy Craighill sent Steve a proposal for this position for \$899.00 a month. A motion was made, seconded, and passed 9-0 to accept this proposal for a minimum of 90 days. Additional monies may need to be paid to someone to assist Wendy as an assistant to check on content, provide photos, and proofing her work. As a result of the recent solicitation for a Communications Director, 9 members responded with interest. Steve will send them our briefing document and request proposals, Marie, Tom, and Dan volunteered to vet the proposals and make a recommendation to the Board.

**New Business:** There was none

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Randy Cook

Secretary