

Tidewater Striders Board of Directors Meeting

November 5, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President Steve Shapiro at 6:46 pm. Members in attendance were Steve Shapiro, Randy Cook, Tim Robinson, Marie Price, Debbie Redmond, Jim Dare, Jim Martin, Drew Midland, Gene Edwards, and William Tallent. Absent were Stacin Martin and Stephanie Manny. Also attending were guests Dan Edwards, Scott Ward, Bunny May, and Virginia Davis.

President's Report:

- 1) Steve said the volunteer party held at the Ocean View fishing pier went extremely well. Everyone was pleased with the food, drinks, service, and location.
- 2) The Heart to Heart Run organized by Carla Serex will be on November 14th on the Virginia Beach boardwalk. This free and no frill fun run is to raise money for the hurricane victims of North Carolina and Team Rubicon. Everyone is asked to wear Red since this is the Heart Run.
- 3) A motion was made and passed to give Carla Serex \$200.00 for her expenses for the Heart to Heart Run. Anything left over will be a donation.
- 4) The 41st annual Turkey Trot is coming up so try to volunteer if possible.
- 5) The Distance Series is open for registration. A special premium will be given if you sign up for all three events.

Vice President's Report: None

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Tim Robinson emailed the report. After discussion the report was accepted.

Committee Reports:

Awards: Chairman Barb Mathewson is asking for recommendations for annual awards to be presented at the annual banquet.

Banquet: A motion was made that all existing Hall of Fame members shall be entitled to free entry to the annual banquet and this to be added to the Policies and Procedures. It passed by 9-0 with one abstention. There were 65 members that attended the volunteer/membership party at the Ocean View Fishing Pier. The Board loves the venue and wants to continue to use this site next year.

Elections: After taking nominations from the floor at the Volunteer Party there will be (6) candidates for the (6) open positions for the Board. Write-ins can still be put on the ballot. The

voting instructions for voting will be sent out soon and the ability to vote will be open for one week at that time.

Grand Prix: Discussion was held on how volunteer points are given. All New Energy volunteers get (50) points a year for their hard work. Tim Robinson will be updating the web site with the volunteer points as soon as he gets the results of the Wicked 10K. Tim presented a proposed schedule of Grand Prix races.

January: Distance series 1: full points for 10 miler, ½ points for 6 miler

Feb: Distance Series 3: full points for 20 miler, ½ points for the 12 miler

March: Shamrock: full points for the Marathon, ½ points for the half marathon

April: TBD

May: ERR 10K (double points)

June: Strider Mile

July: Memorial 5K (double points)

Aug: Strider 10 Miler (double points)

Sept.: TBD

Oct: Crawl in Crab ½ Marathon

Nov: Turkey Trot 10K (double points)

Dec: TBD

Membership: October, 2018 was steady with a push the last 10 days of the month to get us over 1700 and finishing at 1704. This was 15 better than the 1689 members the Striders ended September, 2018 with. Early November has already had 35 transactions with renewal and new members where we now stand at 1687 as of the 4th and well within a record month leading up to Turkey Trot. We ended 2017 October with 1517 members and ended the calendar year of 2017 with 1571 members. We are getting back to the 2012-2015 years for Strider strength where we were consistently over the 1700-1800 mark for membership at the end of each month.

Race: Chair Dan Edwards reported that the Turkey Trot course will have to be changed for this year because of construction at Mt. Trashmore. Also, the course for the Resolution Run on January 1st will need to be altered for one year only.

Teams: Gene Edwards reported that the Striders did very well at the Yorktown 10 mile last weekend. Gene reported that an unusually strong Striders Team defeated CRR/PTC for a rare

"away" win 763.77 to 749.955. Our next scheduled teams competition is the Elizabeth River Run 10K.

Volunteer: Marie Price said the volunteer points are updated (excluding the volunteer party) and Tim is updating all the Grand Prix folks as he inputs Wicked 10k.

Walking: Bunny May said that she is working on the Grand Prix schedule for the walkers.

Web Site: Jim Martin is working hard on the website to add group workout sites and delete sites that are no longer used.

Youth: The last race of the season is the Turkey Trot one mile and then the youth will be off until March.

Old Business: There was none

New Business: Banquet chair Randy Cook reported that registration for the annual banquet on February 2nd at Norfolk Yacht and Country Club is open on Runsignup. The cost to members is \$25.00.

The December Board meeting will be held on December 9th at the home of President Steve Shapiro.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Randy Cook