

Starved Rock Runners, Ltd.  
December 15, 2020  
SRRL Board Meeting  
Video Platform

SRRL Meeting called to order at 7:01 pm by Janine Sobin, President. A quorum was declared.

Board members present: Bob Zeglis, Joe Bornac, Greg Vaccaro, Kory Katkus, Randy Pratt, Janine Sobin, Rosanne Abbott, Mary Beth Potthoff, Mitchell Hobbs, Carol Pratt, Dan Rolando and Theresa Hart

Board members absent: Christina Weber, Tim Novak and John Thomas

Visitors present: Teresa Messersmith

### MONTHLY REPORTS:

**Secretary:** Bob Zeglis made a motion to approve the secretary minutes. Theresa Hart seconded the motion. Minutes approved as presented.

**Treasurer:** Expenses for the past month were \$4677.59 and Net income for the month was \$537.28. We did not yet get the \$500 donation towards the Restless Runners Race from the city of Peru Park and Recreation Dept. Bob Zeglis will look into it. We also did not get a bill as of this date from Phil Taylor for timing the Turkey Trot and Santas on the Run events. Mary Beth Potthoff made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Kory Katkus seconded the motion. Treasurer's report approved as shared.

**Circuit:** Standards were adjusted this year due to the changes in the circuit. In order to receive an award, members were required to run 4 races, or run 3 races and volunteer for an additional one. Seniors and youth were required to participate in 3 circuit races. Sixteen females and 8 males from the club have qualified for awards.

**Equipment:** All chalkpaint has been used and the club owes Bob for using his. Bob Z. has found a company on line to order from which may be \$2 to \$3 cheaper. Rainbow Racing which we previously used has gone out of business.

**Web Site:** It is working properly and up to date. The only issue is that the agendas and meeting minutes are not on it.

**Pacesetter:** Articles for the next issue were due by today and there are currently no submissions. As a result, the next issue will be later. Mitch Hobbs will submit photos and an article from the Turkey Trot.

### OLD BUSINESS

#### A. Race Review:

1. Turkey Trot – Race director indicated that the race went well and all participants were respectful. The Elks asked if there were any comments they could bring before their board and we all agreed the event and venue were great.

2. Santas on the Run – 211 Registrants for the run, 11 registered day of run and 7 ran virtually. 760 pounds of food were collected and the raffle made \$929. We have not yet received Phil's bill for timing, so total money to the food pantry has not been presented. Bob Zeglis, race director thanked Greg Vaccaro and Dan Rolando for their help throughout the morning. Cars on the roads during the race were respectful for the most part.

B. SRRL Christmas Light Run – One of the largest groups we have had – 27 Participants! Beautiful evening and thank you to Carol Pratt for organizing this event.

C. Ballots – Between 240-260 ballots were mailed 1<sup>st</sup> class on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. They are slowly coming in and Rosanne thinks she has gotten about 30 thus far. Last year's returned ballots totaled 80, according to Randy Pratt.

D. Circuit Committee – Bob Zeglis has a survey he put together, reaching out to race directors to see if they are interested in remaining on the circuit and if they are interested in attending a seminar on "How to hold a

safe race”. Bob will share this information with Mitch and perhaps they will be able to bring back some information to the board in January.

E. Banquet-Pick a later date? The Committee will meet toward the end of January and discuss the possibility of scheduling the banquet during the warmer months-perhaps a picnic in June.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Donations (TT and others) – Mitch Hobbs requested that the club make donations to area police forces who have helped direct traffic at our races. The money would be donated towards their “Shop with a Cop” Program. He proposed \$400 – Oglesby Police, \$200 – La Salle Police and \$200 – Peru Police. Rosanne Abbot made a motion to approve these donations. Dan Rolando seconded the motion. Motion was approved.
- B. Merry Miles of December Update – Carol Pratt and Kory Katkus – 74 participants are currently logging their walking/running miles with Kory. He indicated that we did get 5 new members because of this challenge. Comments have been positive and a total of 1,950 have been logged thus far. Carol and Kory would like to continue a challenge every month as well as to possibly do a year long goal for 2021.
- C. Budget for Social Committee/club social activities – A motion was made by Bob Zeglis that \$250 be appropriated for gift cards from area businesses. These will be used for raffle /incentive purposes. The motion was seconded by Mitch Hobbs and approved by the board.
- D. Walleye 5K – Bill Guerrini has retired and moved out of the area. Bob Zeglis asked if he could go to the executive director of the Walleye and ask if our club could take over the race. The name of the race would remain the same, but the SRR would deal with the losses/profits.
- E. Restless Runners – We need to get additional people interested in becoming a race director so a few years down the road, they can take over.
- F. The Driven automated email – 5 individuals signed up before it was disabled. Janine emailed Bill Pierce indicating we are no longer using this, but did not put it in writing. Kory will put the info from the 5 members in Run Sign-up and we should get a check from the Driven.
- G. RRCA update – John Steele’s email is now off the account as user name. We will pay dues by the end of the year. Mike Weber, administrator, helped switch this over. It was mentioned that all Executive Board members should have access to the account. Bob and Janine will collaborate and come up with a new gmail for RRCA.
- H. YMCA offered to support training programs – The Director of the Illinois Valley YMCA indicated that he is very interested in helping to support whatever programs we hold.

**RECALL:**

Joe Bornac noted that the D&M Light display is still part of the Rotary Park Christmas Display. He asked if it should be removed since they are no longer in business. Consensus was to leave it up.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Carol Pratt, seconded by Mitch Hobbs. The meeting was adjourned by President, Janine Sobin at 8:31.

**NEXT MEETING:** 7:00 PM, January 19, 2021

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Beth Potthoff  
Secretary, SRRL