

Starved Rock Runners, Ltd.  
October 20, 2020  
SRRL Board Meeting  
YMCA in Peru

SRRL Meeting called to order at 7:03 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, Bill Vesely, Theresa Hart and John Thomas

Board members absent: Christina Weber and Tim Novak

Visitors present: Cathy Berry and Teresa Messersmith

**MONTHLY REPORTS:**

**Secretary:** Bob Zeglis made a motion to approve the secretary minutes from September 15, 2020 as presented. Randy Pratt seconded the motion. Minutes approved.

**Treasurer:** Treasurer's report was presented by Rosanne Abbott. Bob Zeglis asked if we should perhaps put more of our cash into our Edward Jones Account? However, with interest rates so low, Greg Vaccaro suggested money be moved from the CD -which is due on Oct. 26- to the money market. Rosanne Abbot made a motion to move money from the CD to the money Market, seconded by Kory Katkus. \$44,372.08 cash flow for the month. John Thomas made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Mary Beth Potthoff seconded the motion. Treasurer's report approved as shared.

**Circuit:** Carol Pratt is cross referencing race participants and results with information she receives from Carroll Lulay. She is acquiring as much info as possible so we have a good number of members getting awards.

**Equipment:** The missing safety vest was located and used. The van was driven to the Restless Runners Race. Bob Rehn still has one of the time clocks.

**Web Site:** No problems or issues at this point. Bob Zeglis did indicate that Eric from Its Race Time is not giving him the info we need and as a result he cannot post paces. Kory Katkus has offered to help Bob out with this issue.

**Pacesetter:** Bob indicated that we need the minutes from tonight's meeting and a few minor changes need to be made and this issue is ready to go. He did have to reduce the number of pictures submitted due to lack of space. We had many contributions for this issue as well as ads for the Turkey Trot and **Santas on the Run**.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**A.** Run the Path Update: City of Utica has ok'd the run and has extra insurance forms. Port a Potty has been ordered. Help yourself water stations will be at the turn arounds and at the end of the run. The run will be held November 7, 2020 from 10-12., beginning at the Canal Market. Gift cards from area businesses will be given away as door prizes along with other running incentives.

**B.** Turkey Trot: Waiting to hear from the Elks as they were meeting tonight as well. The Police of Oglesby have approved the course. We could have up to 200 people in the North end of the Elks building with another 50-75 in the smaller, South end. The outdoor shelter maybe used in addition. Price for the use of the Elks is approximately \$2000. Phil is ready to go, just waiting to finalize. We may use online registration only. The race will start at 8 a.m. Waves will be 2 minutes apart and there will be 50 runners in each wave. The race will be capped at 400 participants. First runners will be coming in as the last wave is going out. Kids' Run is a possibility right now. It may have to be completed as soon as the race starts. Mitch thanked Bob and Dan for all their help thus far.

**C.** Santas on the Run: 5-6 individuals have already registered online and the Race will be held at Hall High School. The race is capped at 300 participants. Swag is awesome, once again: Santa hat, choice of t-shirt, sweatshirt, hoodie, participation ornament and a "beard" neck gator.

**D.** Race Reviews : The club promoted both runs well.

1. Restless Runners – Positive comments included- fun, nice course. Only 41 entered the run and only 1 day of race sign up was taken. A couple traveled from Springfield to participate.
  2. Son of the Lake Run – 62 participants which was rather low as well. Beautiful scenery this time of year was a plus. First female to cross was from the Chicago area.
- E. Runsignup: Now our new membership platform. Information is in the Nov/Dec Pacesetter.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Discount code for membership on Runsignup – A discount through Jan 31, 2021 for members to use when signing up for a membership through runsignup was presented to the board. A motion was made by Carol Pratt, seconded by Randy Pratt to approve the discount. Motion was passed with one board member not in favor.
- B. Circuit Committee – The committee is planning to send out a survey to Race Directors asking them to indicate if they are interested in remaining on the circuit for the 2021 Calendar. Once responses are gathered, a meeting will be held (first part of November).
- C. When do other Committees meet? –
  - Finance – After final financial reports are ready, year's end
  - Constitution and Bylaws – Perhaps early December
  - Banquet – December
  - Pacesetter – Carol Pratt and Bob Zeglis meet regularly if necessary. Bob may put a brief line or 2 in next issue to see if there is an interest in others joining this committee.
  - Social – Carol Pratt
  - Bereavement – group effort to pass information on
  - Discussion was held regarding ballots and voting for new Board Members. Ballots will be mailed out to current members 18 years of age and older in the early part of December and returned by December 31. Work night will be held to count ballots and send out raffle/banquet tickets prior to the 19<sup>th</sup> of January which is the first board meeting of 2021.
- D. Circuit Volunteer Points 2020 – The concern was brought up at a previous meeting that a volunteer who worked a race was receiving more points than an individual who came in first place in their age group in that same race. The system of points for circuit races may have to be re-evaluated by the Board in the near future, when cross country has ended.

#### **RECALL:**

Wednesday night runs – Anyone who participated in these organized runs should technically be a member of the running club or else sign a waiver. When advertising the run, perhaps the wording should be changed, indicating that there are 2 groups going out and at 2 different times (slower, quicker?)

2020 Circuit Fees – Mitch made a motion to wave Circuit Fees for 2021 if they paid for 2020. Kory seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Advertising in Pacesetter – Finance Committee will look at this.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion was made by John Thomas, seconded by Mary Beth Potthoff to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned by President Sobin at 8:25.

**NEXT MEETING:** 7:00 PM, **November 17**, 2020 at the Illinois Valley YMCA

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Beth Potthoff  
Secretary, SRRL

