

Starved Rock Runners, Ltd.  
February 16,-2021  
SRRL Board Meeting  
YMCA in Peru

SRRL Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Janine Sobin, President. A quorum was declared.

Board members present: Joe Bomac, Greg Vaccaro, Kory Katkus, Randy Pratt, Janine Sobin, Rosanne Abbott, Mary Beth Potthoff, Mitchell Hobbs, Carol Pratt, Dan Rolando, Theresa Hart, Cathy Berry, Teresa Messersmith, Ryan Bell and Rick Coleman.

Board members absent: John Thomas

Visitors present: Bob Zeglis and Phil Taylor

**MONTHLY REPORTS:**

**Secretary:** Greg Vaccaro made a motion to approve the secretary minutes. Theresa Hart seconded the motion. Minutes approved as read.

**Treasurer:** Total expenses for the month of January include \$4824.09. Total liabilities and equity include \$68,473.57. Rosanne Abbott made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Cathy Berry seconded the motion. Treasurer's report approved as shared and filed.

**Circuit:** Currently 206 members registered. We will be having a circuit schedule but it will not look like other years, according to Mitch. There will be three age brackets-19 and under, 20-64 years and 65 and over. Each division has specific requirements for a bronze, silver and gold level award. We will have a circuit consisting of 12 races, but there's flexibility here. Volunteer point will be awarded for a club race only. A participant can sign up and run a virtual race but it has to be run on the same day of the actual run and must take place outdoors. There is a limit to the amount of virtual races which will be accounted for. A self-reporting system may be used to document participation. A motion was made by Greg Vaccaro, seconded by Carol Pratt to accept the Circuit Committee's recommendation for a point system.

**Equipment:** No major changes, but we do need to get chalk paint before the Walleye Run on March 20. Greg Durdan, a SRR member, has volunteered to be equipment manager. He lives outside of Grand Ridge and has plenty of storage space for the van as well as for equipment. He volunteered to bring the van to as many races as he can. A motion was made by Mary Beth Potthoff to approve Greg Durdan as equipment manager, seconded by Kory Katkus. Motion was approved unanimously by the Board. Janine Sobin will check to see if the club needs to add Greg's name on our vehicle insurance.

**Web Site:** Bob Zeglis reported that everything is working and up to date. He also indicated that we are paying Hauser-Ross for some information that Run Sign-up does. They have numerous lists that perhaps can be moved to Run sign-up.

**Pacesetter:** Will be printed the end of this week and Bob Zeglis indicated that the edition will go out the 1<sup>st</sup> of March. Deadline for the articles for the next edition is April 15.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. Lori's Walleye Run 5k - An email blast went out today and currently 19 runners have registered. The event will take place on March 20 and will take place outdoors. The start will begin in waves and will run similarly to Santa's on the Run. Four sponsors have been acquired thus far and the Walleye club indicated that they will provide volunteers for traffic control.
- B. January Challenge-Two entries into the Key West 1/2 Marathon are the prizes. Only 10 participants have signed up and Kory will send out an email again and see if any others want to submit their miles up to February 14. Winners will be drawn at the March Board Meeting.
- C. Year Long Challenge - 24 participants are currently recording their miles. Divisions are in increments of 250 miles. Individuals choose their goal.

- D. Membership -As of February 13, 2021, we have 206 members and 148 memberships. This is pretty typical this time of the year.
- E. Updated Committee.Members -Theresa Hait is chainnan of the Finance Committee and Cathy Berry has joined the committee as well. Greg Vaccaro is chair for the Constitution and By Laws Committee and Stephanie Sweeden is a new member of this group. Janine Sobin is chair of the Nomination C01mnittee and Mary Beth Potthoff and Rosaime Abbott have joined this conunittee, as well.
- F. Nut Run Review - 11 club members gathered to nm 4 ½ miles after meeting the Planter's Nut Mobile at the Illinois Valley YMCA. Peanuts and hot apple cider were served after the invigorating nm.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Circuit Committee Report - Information was presented and discussed under Old Business - Circuit Report.
- B. Operating Officer Positions -Discussed under equipment.
- C. Races Piling up in October - (Phil Taylor lead discussion) - Phil expressed his opinion about what to tell Race directors who contact him about moving their race to the fall where the races maybe piling up. Club is in agreement with Phil - stick with the old date, you may get more participants. In the fall you may be competing with several marathons and races which may be counterproductive or worse yet- a nightmare. Also look at the Circuit Calendar for interference.  
The Starved Rock Country½ and/or full marathon maybe moved to 9/18 or 10/2. Smaller races-Dwight Harvest Days and Holy Family Run are these days as well. Bob Zeglis will once again contact race directors so they can be put on a tentative calendar.
- D. Ads for the Pacesetter-Bob is asking board members to solicit for ads. Prices are rather inexpensive-\$50 to \$160 for a full page. Janine is continuing to work on a letter which can be sent to local businesses and members asking for support through their advertisements.
- E. 40 th Anniversary Planning - 2022 is the year and Dan Rolando and Carol Pratt are the committee Chairmen. They will work in conjuction with the social/banquet conmuttees.

#### **RECALL:**

Kory suggested a note be put in the Pacesetter indicating the status of our annual banquet. Mary Beth Potthoff will make sure that is taken care of.

Mary Beth Potthoff stated that she received a call from Lee Thompson of the Oglesby Elks and he asked ifwe would be interested in volunteering during their Sunday Bingo Games. The Club would get a reduced rate ifwe use the facilities and would also be a fun adventure for those who volunteer. We are waiting to hear back from him with our dates to work.

Run the Path will be November 6<sup>th</sup> at 10 am. as indicated on the cover of the Pacesetter.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Dan Rolando made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Cathy Berry. The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 by President, Janine Sobin.

**NEXT MEETING:** 7:00 p.111. March 16, 2021 at the Illinois Valley YMCA.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Beth Potthoff  
Secretary SRRL