



## Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 9/9/2008

Location: Java Junkies

**Attendees:** Tim Raben, Roger Heacock, Gary Miller, Patrick Gilcrease, Mary Sebert, Stacey Peterson

**Guests:** Emily Wheeler, Evan (Chair of Dublin Dash Race 2008)

### 1. Approval of 2/21/08 Minutes and Treasurer's Report as of 5/22/08

- a. Money Market Account- \$4688.00
- b. Checking- \$666.00
- c. Membership to date stands at 92 paid members and 130 on email list (do not have to be members to be on this list)
- d. Motion made to accept Treasurer's Report, seconded and approved.

### 2. Old Business:

- a. **SD filing:** Federal Income Tax and Non-Profit designation
  - Tim spoke with IRS and they assisted with filing as a tax exempt status – Internal Revenue Section 501(c)(3) – due to affiliation with Road Runners Club of America. Letter is filed with Stacey.
- b. **Insurance-** Coverage and Requirements
  - RRCA has specific rules to follow for events listed with them, which will be covered by insurance. If not followed, insurance coverage for the following year could be denied. Such things include but are not limited to pets and strollers on the course.
  - Events that are scheduled with the RRCA are covered by insurance (brief discussion with no need for actual decision regarding the inclusion of hosted fun runs on this schedule).
- c. **Membership-** American Trail Running Association
  - Deferred pending additional information

### 3. New Business:

- a. Motion made to make Mary Sebert the recorder/secretary, separate from the Treasurer's responsibilities, seconded and approved.
- b. **BHRC goals and events:**
  - Should we as a club being doing more to set ourselves apart as a running club? Should we partner with other groups out there hosting races? There are many clubs doing 5Ks and fun runs. Should BHRC being doing 10Ks, ½ marathons, etc.
  - What are the goals of the club? Should be informal discussions with members for feedback.
  - Discussion and food for thought only.
- c. **Emily Wheeler-** Representative from Mt. Rushmore and Crazy Horse Marathon (October 4<sup>th</sup>):
  - Hired by Steve from All Sports Central (a for-profit company) to coordinate the race. At this time, the money obtained for the race pays for the services of the company.
  - Actions thus far by Emily include:
    - ✓ Course permit (Hill City) obtained with the exception of a section of Deerfield Road
    - ✓ New course
    - ✓ Will again finish at the 1880 Train Station- Meg Warder has agreed to this.
    - ✓ Emily had a booth at the Boston Marathon and passed out 10,000 flyers. Thus far, registration is at 80 compared to 40 this time last year.
    - ✓ They want this to be a "Destination Marathon" and have several other big marathon expos planned.
    - ✓ Emily will discuss with Steve potential benefits for volunteers assisting with the event, i.e. discount in fee.
    - ✓ Emily was encouraged to participate in the BHRC events (weekly especially) to get to know the club members who are likely to help at the race.
    - ✓ Amy Yanni may provide "inspirational" tidbits in her newspaper articles.

- An ideas for BHRC to consider:
  - ✓ Sponsoring a race series (like Chicago): 5K, 10K, ½ marathon leading up to marathon. Winners and/or participants could keep track of points for some prize at the end.
- Motion made by Tim for BHRC to become a charitable organization of this marathon. Patrick seconded motion. Approved by all members. By participating, the club would receive 25% of a sponsor donation. This is possible due to the 501(c)(3) status. In return, the club agrees to provide 10 – 20 volunteers for the race. It was recommended to allow the volunteers to participate in pre-race activities as most will probably run the race.

**d. Evan- Dublin Dash:**

- Asked for suggestions- what was good and what needs improvement
- More medium shirts
- Age groups in 5 year increments with or without medals
- Current course is a good one
- May get bibs donated instead of using sticks

e. **Christmas Party:** To be held at the Lion's Building at the Fairgrounds (\$180 vs. \$800 at the Police Social Club). Dublin's basement could be used for Jingle Bell Run or Sports Rock is now open and is a possibility as well.

f. **Summer outdoor venue:** Possibilities may include Meadowbrook Golf Course, Executive Golf Course (pretty small though), Kelly's, Murphy's. Gary will follow-up with prices of beer for Meadowbrook and Murphy's.

**g. Hosted Fun Runs:**

- June- Jack and Sherry (need date)
- June- Karen Taber (before she leaves in August)
- July 4th- Patrick Gilcrease
- August- Gary and Mary Haven (need date)
- September- Ron and Donna Bunnell
- October- Mark and Lesley Warren (planning an Oktoberfest!)
- January 1<sup>st</sup>- Randy and Paulette's annual celebration

Gary will contact those without dates to get them on the calendar.

**h. Club T-Shirts:**

- Teresa V. is working on new shirts with new and improved logo.
- Stacey will research where to get the shirts- both long and short sleeved; possibly something zip-up as well.
- Motion made, seconded and approved by all members to have new logo window stickers made as well. Stacey will check on the window stickers.

**i. Trail Building:**

- Something to consider: Should BHRC be thinking about using funds to build a softer trail parallel to the current bike path? Has been in discussion for several years. The bike association has been successful with their trail building. No need for decision to be made.

**j. Other New Business:**

- Races to be added to the calendar- Habitat For Humanity, Boys Club
- Time for Board Meetings will be changed to 5:00 instead of 5:30.
- Email list- discussion about capturing email information at races (adding to registration) so as to build bigger, outlying area data base. Maybe a West River Site. No decision necessary at this time, but something to consider.

**4. Donation Requests: None**

**5. Adjournment**

**Minutes prepared by: Mary Sebert**