**Metro Tri Club**

**February 15, 2021 Business Meeting Minutes**

**Members Present:**

Fawn Dintelmann, Shannon McWhorter, Robin Misukonis, John Sikes, Tim Holland, Keith Timmins, Donna Etherton, Becca Hostettler, Rhonda Grammer, China Rongey, Josh Dake, Phil Coatney, Jeff Germer, Kraig Weinberg, Justin Kovarik, Greg Voudrie

**General:**

The annual business meeting is normally held as part of the MTC Banquet. Due to COVID-19, it was decided to hold the business meeting in February and delay the banquet (fun part) until summer when we can gather outside in a safer manner. The meeting was led by VP Robin Misukonis because President Polinske was reportedly stuck in traffic returning from vacation snowmobiling in Wisconsin.

**Financial Report** – Treasure John Sikes provided an overview of club finances for 2020 comparing it with 2019 – a normal year.

1. A quiet year for the club financially due to the pandemic.
2. The club balance remains healthy. For specific information contact John or any club officer. If you have a good cause that fits with the club’s mission, bring your request for a donation to a meeting.
3. Pere Marquette – 2019
   1. Revenues – $34.1K
   2. Expenses – $26.5K
   3. Profit – $7.6K
   4. Charitable Donation to Friends of Pere Marquette (FOPM) - $3200
4. Pere Marquette – 2020, no activity, other than a $2200 donation to FOPM, offset by donations from past race participants and club members.
5. Club Donations (Other than FOPM)
   1. 2019 (Alton MS - $500, Beaver Dam Dash -$500, Joshua Chamberlain - $500)
   2. 2020 (Alton MS - $500)
   3. 2021 (Beaver Dam Dash- $500, Joshua Chamberlain - $500)
6. Races Supported:
   1. 2019 – Zillapede, River to River, Last Man Standing, Up-a-Creek, Beaver Dam Dash
   2. 2020 – US Masters Swimming, Up-a-Creek
   3. 2021 – (Same as 2019 + US Masters Swimming)
7. Officer Elections – The club elected officers for 2021. The votes were very close with the following “winning” the coveted positions:
   1. President - Donna Polinske
   2. Vice-President – Robin Misukonis
   3. Treasurer – John Sikes
   4. Secretary – Tim Holland

1. 2020 Godzilla of the Year Awards – Due to that pesky COVID-19, there were no GOTY awards earned in 2020. However, Keith noted that if you think you did meet the criteria, please let him know. Note: After the meeting, Donna Etherton had Keith check her volunteer points and found that he did not have her down for helping at Last Man Standing. Based on that, Donna Etherton had 5 volunteer points and met all the criteria for the 2020 GOTY!! YEAH DONNA!
   1. Race points: There were (8) members that met GOTY point requirement. Stephen Brummer, Liz Stryker, Tommy Brown, Fawn Dintelmann, Janna Perry, Jim Taylor, Ed Matecki, Donna Etherton. Janna and Jim had the most points (17) and Donna completed the most races (13).
   2. Volunteer points: There were (3) members that met the GOTY point requirement. Jay Hunt, Robin Misukonis, Jeff Schleicher
   3. Meetings: There were (24) members that met the GOTY point requirement. Lisa Brandt and Cid Bauer tied for the most meetings attended at 10 each in 2020.
2. Membership – Shannon McWhorter provided an update that membership at the end of 2020 was 88. As of February 15, 2021 membership is at 94. Shannon noted several long-term members had not yet joined for 2021. There is still time to join for 2021. Go to the club website on The Driven.
3. Special Awards – Donna Etherton was presented the “Above and Beyond” special award for all her hard work on the club website. She will be presented a plaque when we can gather in person. Thanks Donna for all your hard work!
4. Kinda Special Mention - Lydia Mikoff was thanked in abstentia for her hard work as Secretary during 2020. She did a far better job than Tim Holland and deserved to be re-elected.
5. 2021 Club Sponsors – The companies below have signed on again as club sponsors. PLEASE make every effort to support the companies that support us. And when you’re in their business, please thank them for that support.

* Dog Watch
* Simmons Law
* Integrity Spine and Joint Center
* Phoenix Physical Therapy
* Runwell

1. Karla Plage – Sadly, we lost club member Karla Plage in January. Karla was a newer member but had quickly became a very positive influence on everyone she met. 2021 was going to be Karla’s first half-Ironman. We discussed ways to honor Karla at races this year. The club voted to purchase temporary tattoo/stickers that can be placed either on the body or race bib as a way to honor/remember Karla. The tattoo/stickers are angel wings and halo with Karla’s name. Robin will order and they will be available to club members very soon.