Florida Striders Board Meeting

Meeting online via ZOOM

May 12, 2020

Members present:

Jon Guthrie, Sara Guthrie, Bill Krause, Mike Mayse, Amy Bonnette, Mae Barker, Zach Hanna,

Dave Allen, Michele Pelham, Kathy Murray, Scott Hershey, Shelly Allen, Suzanne Baker,

Mike Martinez, David Bonnette

Members Absent: Perry Pelham

The meeting was called to order by President Jon Guthrie at 7:01 p.m. Jon welcomed our new board members, Mike Martinez, Suzanne Baker (Bug), Zach Hanna, and Mae Barker. They were asked to tell about their running life.

The Minutes from the last meeting were reviewed and approved.

**Election of Officers for 2020-2021 year**

Proposed slate: President – Jon Guthrie

Vice President – open

Secretary – Sara Guthrie

Treasurer – Bill Krause

Motion to accept these officers by Suzanne Baker, Seconded by Amy Bonnette. Ayes have it. The Officers for 2020-2021 were approved.

**Officer and chair reports:**

**President –** Jon Guthrie

Our “likes” on the website have surpassed 1900. Two and a half years ago we had 700 “likes.” Jon would like to see 2000 “likes” reached before long.

Our club account on Twitter is @FloridaStriders

We also have an Instagram account. #floridastriders

We should use to get more members. We should also add photos of runs, socials. Suzanne Baker to find someone that could be in charge of the social network.

**Treasurer report -** Bill Krause

Beginning cash balance as of April 1 was $26,466.25 and the ending cash balance on April 30 was $25,538.19.

April income was $5,672.22, while expenses were $6,600.28, reflecting a loss of $928.06.

Income includes memberships, donations, reimbursements from race accounts, and funding for the Danny Weaver Scholarship.

Expenses include the Driven fees, storage, awards for the Mileage competition, Children’s Running, advances for the race accounts, and a Partnership distribution.

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The Certificates of Deposit account balances totaled $63,186.84 on April 30.

The Social account balance is $2,500, reflecting no expenses for the month.

The Bulk Mail Account has a balance of $168.12, reflecting no expenses for the month.

The Prepaid race expense account has a $900.00 balance for MD5K hats.

The Driven account has a balance of $320.00.

Budget to Actual Report:

YTD income/receipts as of April 30 equaled $30,828.37, and expenses/distributions were $36,237.80, reflecting a net loss of $5,409.43 for the year. This compares to a net gain of $249.90 for the same time last year, or a negative difference of $6,869.47.

The club’s net worth as of April 30 was $112,609.49 compared to $104,813.18 last year, reflecting an increase of $7,796.31.

**Running Team –** Shelly Allen

The Running Team is to participate in the Virtual Runs. More jerseys were purchased. Two of every size, plus a good supply of kid’s sizes. Team One: There are 22 members that get free race entry and race jerseys. Team Two: These runners support the team and participate when they can. They do not receive free runs. Runners in Team Two can move to Team One when there is an opening in Team One.

**Social –** Amy Bonnette

There should be a Jumbo Shrimp Baseball game on a Saturday in June. Striders will have a section and individuals will pay for their own ticket (s) within that section. Much easier than in the past.

**Membership –**

We will need a new chairman since George Hoskins plans to step away. Everyone should be proficient in using The Driven by now.

**Strideright newsletter** –

Nothing new. The current Strideright just came out. Please submit articles to Cari Holbrook.

**Old Business:**

**RTTS Recap** – Bill Krause

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People signed up all over the country since this was a virtual run. Not many local runners signed up, though. We got half the registrations that we were looking to have. Bill should have numbers by the next meeting. It costs anywhere from $5.30 to $8.75 to mail out shirts to participants. Those local runners will have theirs delivered.

**Memorial Day 5K** – Scott Hershey. This run will be a virtual run. Hoping for 400 participants. Expenses will be big, shipping, hats, medals.

Cost will be around $12,078.00. As of now we have 60 runners signed up. The run has been extended to June 15. Approximate profit expected to be around $2,000.00.

A Motion was made by Bill Krause to approve the budget for this run.

Seconded by Shelly Allen.

The Ayes have it. The Budget for the MD5K was approved.

**The Driven Website** – Scott Hershey

Sponsors on the website need to be updated.

**Wednesday evening track update** – Dave Allen

Dave is not sure when the track will be open to us again. Vicky Connell is in touch with SJCDS.

**New business**

Possible board jobs available – Jon Guthrie

Make sure you post what your position is on the board. If you do not have a position and one is available, please get involved. Each board member should be involved in an activity.

**Scholarship report** – Bill Krause

The committee met several weeks ago. Out of 18 applications, there were five (5) winners. We usually get 28 applications. Committee will be going to individual winners homes to give check.

**New Connect Run Challenge** – Perry Pelham

This challenge will not be using Garmin this time. The challenge will include walking, running, cycling. Participants can win cash. There are a number of charities that will also benefit from this challenge. Winner gets to pick which charity a portion of winnings will go to. Additional entries can be purchased. The more you spend (10.00), more entries, better your chance to win. To participate, participate needs to do at least a 30 minute activity each time.

A Motion was made by Bill Krause for the Board to match the first $500.00 of the fees received.

A second by Dave Allen.

The Ayes have it.

**Community outreach** – On May 2 the Striders provided a meal at one of the local fire stations in Orange Park. A catered bar-be-que meal was provided. There was also a general discussion about possible monetary donations or other contributions within our community.

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We may be having our June meeting on ZOOM. This seemed to have worked out nicely.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara K. Guthrie, Secretary

**Upcoming Events:**

Everything is on hold for now.