

Calumet Region Striders

Meeting Minutes May 14,2026

In Attendance: Cecilia Bernal, Suzanne Bukur, Marialena Dominguez, Matt Downs, Renee Martin, Sherry Martin, Vincent Rinas, Karen Spoor

Absent: Barb Hamner, Jamie Miller, Lisa Stelter, Jamie Wolfe

-Vincent called meeting to order at 6:41 and previous meeting minutes (April 9th meeting) provided by Karen. After review, Matt made motion to accept minutes and 2nd by Vince, all in favor.

-Vince discussed need to form a Bylaws committee to review and amend any necessary bylaws. Marialena has agreed to be head of this committee and will start working on the draft of what might be needed to be amended. Any changes will need to be discussed and go through the two meetings process to review and discuss prior to any changes. Marialena will form committee and discuss.

-Gold cup loose ends: Jamie will bring gold cup table to K9 and Lisa to bring back. Still have a few trophies from banquet that need picked up. Will have Jamie W check with Brickyard race re: bricks for Athena and Clydesdale division. Vince pinned sign-up Genius for gold cup table help in 2026-27 Board chat on Facebook for easy access to sign up to help.

-Cecilia provided the financial report. Bank issue with rental unit for club and Cecilia needs reimbursed for \$158 for rental unit from last month. Received GC fees from Cinco de Mayo Fiesta 5k and sponsor race Corndog 5k.

Matt gave updates on junior striders. Indy Mini /Delta Dental 5k- 3 kids participated – 2 families. The kids really enjoyed it and will most likely look into repeating this event next year. Summer running registration is open, so far 9 kids signed up. Charlie White has offered to help and will be assistant coach. Practices Monday and Thurs. nights. – 5:30pm at former Taft School. Planning 3 meets at Wheeler (by Tempo Run Timing) and goal races: All-American Mile, Roadie Run and Friendship 5k.

Friendship 5k- tentative date Aug 3rd @ 6pm. Meeting with Town Council done, and need check for Schererville and Matt working to get appropriate insurance certificate to the town. Need to go to Parks board meeting to get approval. Lisa Caccavale is working on getting race premium of visors. Looking for potential race sponsors- perhaps having a tier level for sponsorship for race if businesses want to donate. Matt will try to put together a donation request form.

Next meeting will be June 11th @ 6:30 pm at Porter County library in Valparaiso.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Vincent at 7:56 pm, 2nd by Sherry and all in favor.